able to contribute to the control of narcotic drugs as effectively as they earnestly desire,

Recognizing that in order to do so they would be required to make an extensive effort to improve especially the economic and social conditions of some of their often isolated and impoverished regions where traditionally the revenue derived from the cultivation of opium poppy or other narcotic drugs is in some cases the principal means of livelihood for the populations concerned,

Recognizing further that in those regions of the above-mentioned developing countries the replacement of a traditionally drug-oriented economy by other agricultural and economic activities should be undertaken in such a way as to minimize hardship for the populations concerned and to assist in establishing new, adequate sources of revenue and means of livelihood for them,

Fully aware that to embark on such comprehensive programmes these countries need substantial technical and financial assistance from the international community,

Conscious that the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control, in order to be able to participate financially in these programmes and to continue to support training, research and other scientific activities and rehabilitation efforts in the interest of all States, whatever their individual stage of development, requires funding on a continuous basis,

- 1. Considers that the United Nations system, through the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control, can make a major contribution in this respect;
- 2. Welcomes the fact that some of the developing countries in Asia and Latin America, in co-operation with the Fund, have initiated or are about to initiate programmes aimed at the effective elimination of illicit traffic, illicit production and abuse of narcotic drugs;
- 3. Commends the Governments which have already contributed to the Fund and urges them to continue and, if possible, to increase their contribution;
- 4. Urges all States, according to their capacities, to make substantial and sustained contributions to the Fund and also to provide technical and financial assistance to the developing countries directly concerned which request such assistance for bringing narcotic drugs under effective control;
- 5. Appeals to international financial institutions to assist these developing countries in carrying out their respective narcotics control programmes.

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3146 (XXVIII). Support for and voluntary contributions to the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control

The General Assembly,

Noting with concern that, according to the Report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 1972, 61 drug abuse is still increasing in volume, geographical extent and number of people affected,

Encouraged by the assessment of the International Narcotics Control Board that there has at the same time been a deepening realization at all levels of society that this grave and complex phenomenon can be met successfully only by a sustained, united effort on the part of the world community by Governments acting in concert with one another,

- 1. Commends the action already taken by Governments to reduce the illicit production, traffic and consumption of drugs;
- 2. Expresses the hope that such action will continue and that even greater concerted efforts will be made:
- 3. Recognizes that a number of countries will need assistance to enable them to carry out their drug abuse control programmes;
- 4. Reaffirms its declaration in resolution 3012 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972 that the fulfillment by the developing countries of their obligations under the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, 62 calls for technical and financial assistance from the international community;
- 5. Urgently appeals to Governments for sustained support and increased voluntary contributions to the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control, in any form and according to their capacities.

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3147 (XXVIII). Accession to drug control treaties

The General Assembly.

Recalling its resolution 3013 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972 calling for adherence to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961,63 the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances64 and the 1972 Protocol Amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961,65

Gratified that since the adoption of that resolution a number of States have acceded to one or more of these instruments.

- 1. Stresses the importance to international drug control of universal accession to all three treaties and to the earliest possible entry into force of the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances and the 1972 Protocol Amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961;
- 2. Urges Governments of countries directly related to the manufacturing and production of psychotropic substances to ratify or accede to the Convention on Psychotropic Substances as soon as possible;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to draw the present resolution to the attention of all Governments;
- 4. Also requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its twenty-ninth session on the progress made towards universal acceptance of all three treaties.

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65 E/CONF.63/8.

⁶¹ United Nations publication, Sales No.: E.73.XI.5.

⁶² United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 520, No. 7515, p. 151. 63 Ibid

⁶⁴ E/CONF.58/6 and Corr.1 and 2.