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Note by the Secretariat

1. In accordance with resolution 7/1, in which the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption encouraged States parties and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to continue sharing experiences on the management of frozen, seized and confiscated assets, identifying best practices as necessary and building on existing resources, and to consider developing non-binding guidelines on that issue, the secretariat developed draft non-binding guidelines on the management of frozen, seized and confiscated assets, which were submitted to the Implementation Review Group at its ninth session and the Working Group on Asset Recovery at its twelfth session for consideration at their joint meeting held on 6 June 2018. Many speakers welcomed the guidelines and expressed the view that more time should be allocated for, inter alia, holding discussions on those guidelines.
2. Subsequently, the draft non-binding guidelines were presented by the secretariat during the second resumed ninth session of the Implementation Review Group, held in November 2018. At that session, many speakers expressed the view that the secretariat should continue to collect proposals and recommendations on the management of frozen, seized and confiscated assets from States, including as part of and until the end of the second-cycle reviews of the Implementation Review Mechanism, with a view to making them more objective and more representative of the diversity of practices and legal and institutional frameworks of States parties. The secretariat informed the Group that all comments and suggestions would be considered and incorporated into an updated document that would be submitted in all the official languages of the United Nations to the Implementation Review Group and the Working Group on Asset Recovery for consideration at their next sessions.
3. The revised draft non-binding guidelines, as contained in document [CAC/COSP/WG.2/2019/3](#), are therefore being brought to the attention of the Group for its consideration.

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** [CAC/COSP/IRG/2019/1](#).

