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### Addendum

## Recommendations of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission

1. At its 13th meeting, on 21 March 2019, the Commission considered agenda item 13, entitled “Recommendations of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission”.
2. For its consideration of item 13, the Commission had before it the report of the Secretariat on action taken by the subsidiary bodies of the Commission ([E/CN.7/2019/7](#)).
3. Introductory statements were made by the Chief of the Secretariat to the Governing Bodies of UNODC and the Chief of the Implementation Support Section of the Organized Crime and Illicit Trafficking Branch of UNODC.
4. Statements were made by the representatives of China, the Republic of Korea and the United States.
5. The observers for Azerbaijan and the United Republic of Tanzania also made statements.

## Deliberations

6. The observer for Azerbaijan reported on the outcome of the fifty-third session of the Subcommission on Illicit Drug Traffic and Related Matters in the Near and Middle East, hosted by the Government of Azerbaijan in November 2018. He noted that the sessions of the Subcommission and the meetings of the Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies provided a very good platform for strengthening international cooperation frameworks and discussing recommendations for future action. The participants in the session of the Subcommission had highlighted the new threat posed by the misuse of the darknet and cryptocurrencies for drug-related criminal purposes. In addition, the participants had made reference to the growing challenges in the area of precursor control and had exchanged views on the future of alternative development programmes.



7. The observer for the United Republic of Tanzania reported on the outcome of the Twenty-eighth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Africa, which he had chaired in Dar es Salaam in September 2018. Participants in the meeting had addressed the links between drug trafficking and organized crime in Africa, best practices in prison reform and alternatives to conviction or punishment. The participants had also discussed the topic of raising awareness of drug-related issues in educational settings.

8. Referring to the Forty-second Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Asia and the Pacific, one speaker noted that the exchange of intelligence and the discussion of specific cases had been encouraged by participants at that Meeting. Furthermore, the speaker emphasized that the Meetings should focus on law enforcement issues. Another speaker noted that the Meeting had addressed issues related to money-laundering and illicit financial flows, and provided examples of ways in which countries had addressed cases involving the darknet in connection with the use of cryptocurrencies.

9. One speaker expressed support for the work of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission and expressed appreciation for the reports and recommendations emanating from the meetings of those bodies, which provided guidance based on regional perspectives. The continued efforts of the subsidiary bodies to implement the operational recommendations of the outcome document of the thirtieth special session of the General Assembly, entitled “Our joint commitment to effectively addressing and countering the world drug problem”, were also recognized. Furthermore, it was noted that the subsidiary bodies had identified the need for comprehensive and balanced approaches to the supply and demand aspects of the global drug problem.

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