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Draft report*Rapporteur:* Stewe Alm (Sweden)**Current situation with respect to regional and subregional
cooperation**

1. At its 2nd meeting, held on 2 July 2019, the Meeting considered item 3 of the agenda, entitled “Current situation with respect to regional and subregional cooperation”. For its consideration of the item, the Meeting had before it two reports prepared by the Secretariat, entitled “Report of the Secretariat on the world situation with regard to drug trafficking (E/CN.7/2019/5)” and “Current situation with respect to regional and subregional cooperation in South-Eastern and Eastern Europe” (UNODC/HONEURO/13/3). In addition, country reports on the illicit drug trafficking situation were submitted by Andorra, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Czechia, Finland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey and the United Kingdom (UNODC/HONEURO/13/CRP.1–21).
2. A representative of the UNODC Secretariat introduced the item. The presentation provided an overview of illicit drug trafficking trends across the region and worldwide and informed about the support provided by UNODC through its Regional Programme for South-Eastern Europe.
3. The Meeting discussed current drug trafficking trends in Europe and approaches to addressing and countering them, with reference to particular cases and important seizures made.
4. Recent trends and patterns in organized crime related to the world drug problem were presented, as well as anti-money laundering and asset recovery measures undertaken in the region. Reference was also made to the activities implemented under the joint UNODC-World Customs Organization (WCO) Container Control Programme in South-Eastern Europe and Eastern Europe.
5. The importance of collecting, analysing and sharing reliable data within the region for addressing drug abuse and associated health and social issues was highlighted. It was also underscored that cooperation at the regional and interregional levels, and the regional cooperation among law enforcement and judicial authorities were essential components of a comprehensive approach to counter trafficking in drugs.

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