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# Twenty-ninth Meeting of Heads of National **Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Africa**

Balaclava, Mauritius 16-20 September 2019

# **Draft report**

Rapporteur: Michael Addo (Ghana)

# **Organization of the Meeting**

## Opening and duration of the Meeting

The Twenty-ninth Meeting of HONLEA, Africa, organized by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and hosted by the Government of the Mauritius, was held in Balaclava from 16 to 20 September 2019. Welcome remarks were made by the Chair of the meeting. Opening statements were made by the Prime Minister of Mauritius. The Regional Representative of UNODC for Eastern Africa made an opening statement on behalf of the Executive Director of UNODC.

#### В. Attendance

- The following States were represented at the Twenty-ninth Meeting of HONLEA, Africa: [...].
- The following States were represented by observers: [...]. 3.
- 4. The [...] were represented by observers.

#### C. **Election of officers**

At its 1st meeting, on 16 September 2019, the Meeting elected the following officers by acclamation:

Choolun Bhojoo (Mauritius) Chair:

Vice-Chairs: Muhammad Mustapha Abdallah (Nigeria)

Ana Graça (Angola)

Rapporteur: Michael Addo (Ghana)

<sup>\*</sup> Available only in Arabic, English and French, which are the working languages of the subsidiary





## D. Adoption of the agenda

- 6. At the same meeting, the Twenty-ninth Meeting of HONLEA, Africa, adopted the following agenda:
  - 1. Election of officers.
  - 2. Adoption of the agenda.
  - 3. Current situation with respect to regional and subregional cooperation in addressing and countering the world drug problem.
  - 4. Implementation of the recommendations adopted by the Twenty-seventh Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Africa.
  - 5. Consideration of topics by working groups:
    - (a) Effective national and regional strategies in addressing drug trafficking by sea, including transatlantic cocaine trafficking and heroin trafficking in the Indian ocean;
    - (b) New modi operandi in trafficking and trends in concealment methods and transport, and effective investigative techniques in response thereto;
    - (c) Countering money-laundering, illicit financial flows and the use of the darknet and cryptocurrencies in relation to the drug trade;
    - (d) Specific needs of children and youth in contact with the justice system for drug-related offences.
  - 6. Follow-up on the implementation at the national, regional and international levels of all commitments, as reflected in the ministerial declaration of 2019, to address and counter the world drug problem.
  - 7. Organization of the Thirtieth Meeting of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Africa.
  - 8. Other business.
  - 9. Adoption of the report.

### E. Documentation

7. The documents before the Twenty-ninth Meeting of HONLEA, Africa, are listed in the annex.

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