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CND Res.45/5. Provisions regarding travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Recalling its resolution 43/11, in which it invited the International Narcotics Control Board, with the participation of Member States, to examine provisions that might facilitate and enhance security in cases involving travellers who carried medical preparations containing narcotic drugs and who maintained the continuity of their treatment in their host countries,

Recalling also its resolution 44/15, in which it invited the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, in cooperation with the International Narcotics Control Board and the World Health Organization, to convene a meeting of experts to develop guidelines for national regulations concerning travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs,

Noting the meeting of experts convened, pursuant to its resolution 44/15, by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, the International Narcotics Control Board and the World Health Organization in Vienna from 12 to 14 February 2002 to develop guidelines for national regulations concerning travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs,

Taking into account the publication by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme of the guidelines for national regulations concerning travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs, prepared pursuant to Commission resolution 44/15,

Mindful of the need to keep such travellers informed of different national requirements and limitations concerning internationally controlled drugs, *Acknowledging* the importance of making secure this form of personal transport of internationally controlled drugs,

1. *Notes with satisfaction* the fact that international bodies and States parties to the international drug control treaties have taken into account the problems involved in continuing the treatment of travelling patients with internationally controlled drugs while ensuring security conditions that limit the risk of misdirected use of such drugs;
2. *Welcomes* the guidelines for national regulations concerning travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs prepared by the group of experts convened pursuant to Commission on Narcotic Drugs resolution 44/15, which include recommendations on national regulations concerning the transport by patients, for personal use, of medical preparations containing internationally controlled drugs;
3. *Requests* the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to communicate the guidelines to States parties to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961,²² that Convention as amended by the 1972 Protocol²³ and the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971;²⁴
4. *Strongly encourages* States parties to the 1961 Convention, that Convention as amended by the 1972 Protocol and the 1971 Convention to notify the International Narcotics Control Board of restrictions currently applicable to travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs;
5. *Requests* the International Narcotics Control Board to publish the above -mentioned information in a unified form, in particular in its list of narcotic drugs under international control (the "Yellow List") or in its list of psychotropic substances under international control (the "Green List") and electronically, on the web site of the Board, in order to ensure its wide dissemination and facilitate the task of government agencies;
6. *Encourages* States to consider implementing the recommendations contained in the guidelines for national regulations concerning travellers under treatment with internationally controlled drugs, depending on national legal requirements and practical considerations.

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22/ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 520, No. 7515.

23/ *Ibid.*, vol. 976, No. 14152.

24/ *Ibid.*, vol. 1019, No. 14956.