

## **Resolution 49/5**

### **Paris Pact initiative**

*The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,*

*Reaffirming* the commitments undertaken by Member States in the Political Declaration adopted by the General Assembly at its twentieth special session,<sup>1</sup> in which Member States recognized that action against the world drug problem was a common and shared responsibility and expressed their conviction that it must be addressed in a multilateral setting,

*Welcoming* the Paris Pact initiative emerging from the Paris Statement,<sup>2</sup> which was issued at the end of the Conference on Drug Routes from Central Asia to Europe, held in Paris on 21 and 22 May 2003,

*Taking note* of the report by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, entitled *Afghanistan: Opium Survey 2005*, and noting with concern recent indications of a possible increase in cultivation in several regions,

*Expressing its support* for the efforts of Member States aimed at strengthening regional cooperation in order to counter the threat to the international community posed by the illicit cultivation of opium poppy in Afghanistan and the illicit trade in opium,

*Welcoming* the outcome of the Conference on Afghanistan held in London on 31 January and 1 February 2006, which included counter-narcotics as a cross-cutting theme,

*Welcoming also* the decisions taken by the International Conference on Border Management and Regional Cooperation, held in Doha on 27 and 28 February 2006,

1. *Expresses support* for the proposal of the Russian Federation to convene in Moscow in June 2006, in continuation of the Paris Pact initiative,<sup>3</sup> an international conference at the ministerial level on drug routes from Central Asia to Europe;

2. *Encourages* the international conference to take stock of the progress made under the Paris Pact initiative and of existing structures in order to improve them or adapt them to existing needs;

3. *Invites* all the parties concerned to take an active part in the conference;

4. *Requests* the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources, to facilitate the organization and holding of the conference on that matter and to report to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs at its fiftieth session.

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<sup>1</sup> General Assembly resolution S-20/2, annex.

<sup>2</sup> See S/2003/641, annex.

<sup>3</sup> See S/2003/641, annex.