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From Artificial to Moral Highs - Rethinking Appropriate Drug Policy

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Signatories: Australia, Belarus, Colombia, Costa Rica, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, El Salvador, Hungary, Indonesia, Italy, Malaysia, Maldives, Mexico, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Peru, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, Ukraine, Venezuela, Viet nam, India

Affirming strongly that the production, distribution, purchase, and consumption of drugs is an evil afflicting modern societies, which is a violation against several divine and secular laws of many nations and faiths, which is to be eradicated from the face of the earth as soon as possible for the physical and spiritual benefit of humanity,

Acknowledging the tremendous damage done by illicit drugs in the social, economic, and health realms both on the individual and societal level,

Conscious of the role of the drug trade in financing of gang activity, international terrorism, and authoritarian states threatening the international order,

Observing the role corruption plays in the narcotics trade,

Believing that attempts at illicit drug decriminalization have often had mixed to extremely negative effects on drug consumption,

Noting the success of multiple nations efforts to reduce illicit drug consumption through mostly strict enforcement and punishment of drug trafficking and consumption,

Desiring a worldwide reduction in the production, trade, sale, and consumption of Illicit drugs,

Fully believing in the right of individual nations to formulate their own policies in the area of illicit drugs according to their own values and ideas,

Realizing the financial difficulties faced by less economically developed nations in their struggles against drug trade and use,

- 1. <u>Urges</u> all nations to continue and expand cooperation to counter illicit drug trafficking under the aegis of the United Nation Office of Drug and Crime (UNODC);
- 2. <u>Encourages</u> the adoption of policies aimed at countering corruption, money laundering, and other major drivers of drug trafficking;
- 3. <u>Calls for strict adherence to the 1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, and its subsequent amendments;</u>
- 4. <u>Supports</u> treatment, rehabilitation and education programs as means of reducing drug use, and urges for the creation of prevention campaigns focusing not only on the effect of drugs but also on their impact all along the supply chain;
- 5. <u>Affirms</u> the right of all sovereign states to formulate their own policies to best counter and eliminate illicit drug trade and use, except in legitimate and empirical medical applications;
- 6. <u>Condemns</u> any effort by any party to make any nation adopt decriminalization measures against the will of their governments or peoples;

- 7. <u>Approves</u> the creation of a fund supported by countries with high level of economic development, to support less economically developed nations with high levels of illicit drug production, trade and/or use in their efforts to:
 - a. Counter illicit drug production,
 - b. Counter the criminal enterprises involved in illicit drug production and use,
 - c. Treat health and social issues caused by drug trade and consumption;
- 8. <u>Particularly encourages</u> economically developed nations with high levels of drug use to contribute to the fund, as a means of countering the trade to which their drug demand contributes:
- Invites states to adopt policies most consistent with the acknowledgement of illicit drug's
 role as a terrible social ill with a negative impacts on individuals and society, and with
 punishment of those responsible for these ills;
- 10. <u>Calls for</u> all nations to pursue the adjustment of their criminal legislation so as to introduce an appropriate balance between drug offenses and their punishment, in order to establish effective legislation that combats the spread of drugs by means of production, distribution, purchase, and consumption, through appropriate means as they see fit.