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UN International Drug Control Conventions



Drug Conventions

**Single Convention on
Narcotic Drugs**
(61 Convention)

**Limit Supply and Use Exclusively
to Medical and Scientific Needs**

**Convention on
Psychotropic
Substances**
(71 Convention)

**Convention against
the Illicit Traffic in
Narcotic Drugs and
Psychotropic
Substances**
(88 Convention)



UNITED NATIONS
Office on Drugs and Crime

International Drug Control Conventions



NARCOTIC DRUGS
1961

NATIONS UNIES

183 parties



PSYCHOTROPIC
SUBSTANCES
1971

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ILLICIT TRAFFIC IN
NARCOTIC DRUGS AND
PSYCHOTROPIC
SUBSTANCES
1988

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UN Drug Control Conventions: Purpose

- Ensuring the availability of useful drugs for medical purpose.
- Preventing drug abuse.
- Limiting supply and use of drugs exclusively to medical and scientific needs.





1961 Convention

- **About Narcotic Substances**
- **In force since 1964**
- **Replaced pre-WWII Opiate, Cannabis and Cocaine Treaties.**
- **Introduces International Control Mechanisms**
- **1972 Protocol - treatment/rehabilitation of drug addicts.**



1971 Convention

- In force since 1976
- Established a Control System for Psychotropic Substances
- Response to expanding spectrum of drugs of abuse
- Controls over 100 psychotropic substances





1988 Convention

- In force since 1990
- Established a control system for precursors
- Promotes cooperation
- Establishes mechanisms for cooperation
- Introduces offences and sanctions,
e.g. : trafficking, money-laundering.



Universal ratification

The objective of universal adherence to the international drug control treaties is now substantially accomplished.





Mandatory Requirements

- ✿ Institutional Infrastructure for Domestic and International Drug Control
- ✿ Regulation of Trade
- ✿ Demand Reduction
- ✿ Drug-Related Criminal Justice
- ✿ International Justice Sector Cooperation



Main mandatory requirements on State Parties

Institutional Infrastructure

- Establish and maintain a special licit drug regulatory administration (1961, 1971 C'n)
- Establish and maintain central offices for international cooperation
 - precursor control (1988 C'n)
 - mutual legal assistance (1988 C'n)
 - maritime cooperation (1988 C'n)



Main mandatory requirements on State Parties

Regulation of Trade in Controlled Drugs for Licit Use and in Controlled Chemicals

- Classify each controlled drug and chemical under domestic law to ensure the minimum required Convention controls apply (1961, 1971, 1988 C'n)
- Limit the use of drugs to medical and scientific purposes (1961, 1971, 1988 C'n)
- Prohibit opium, coca and cannabis cultivation, where
"...prevailing conditions in the country ..render...prohibitionthe most suitable measure in its opinion, for protecting public health and welfare and preventing...diversion". (1961 C'n)



Main mandatory requirements on State Parties

Regulation of Trade in Controlled Drugs for Licit Use and in Controlled Chemicals

- End traditional coca leaf chewing, quasi-medical opium use and non-medical cannabis use by 13.12.1989. (1961 C'n)
- Establish and maintain a national (registration) licensing and permit systems of controlled drugs and chemicals:
 - cultivation (1961 C'n)
 - manufacture/ distribution (1961, 1971, 1988 C'n)
 - import and export (1961, 1971, 1988 C'n)
 - supply by health care professionals (1961, 1971 C'n)



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- Establish and maintain forward estimates and *ex-post* statistics of domestic licit drug demand, communicate them to the INCB and base domestic regulatory action on them to prevent divertable excess stocks (1961, 1971 C'n)
- Establish and maintain the compliance inspection of regulated persons and enterprises (1961, 1971, 1988 C'n)



Main mandatory requirements on State Parties

Demand Reduction

Prevent drug abuse and make treatment/rehabilitation measures available (1961, 1971, 1988 C'n)



Main mandatory requirements on State Parties

Drug-related Criminal Justice

- Establish and adequately punish drug trafficking and related conduct as serious crimes, coordinate law enforcement action and cooperate in law enforcement training, intelligence exchange and operations (1961, 1971, 1988 C'n)
- Establish measures to enable the tracing, freezing, seizure and ultimate confiscation of the proceeds of drug-related crime (1988 C'n)
- Establish possession, purchase or cultivation of drugs for illicit personal consumption as a criminal offence, for which treatment, rehabilitation may be provided as alternatives to conviction and punishment or in addition (1961, 1971, 1988 C'n)



Main mandatory requirements on State Parties

International Justice Sector Cooperation

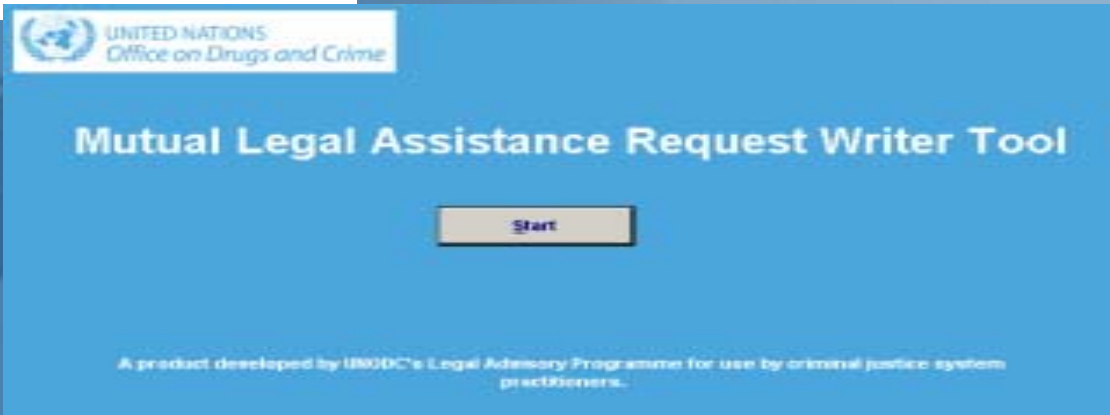
- Provide international legal cooperation to other Parties in their serious drug-related casework:
 - extradition (1961, 1971, 1988 C'n)
 - mutual legal assistance (1988 C'n)
 - controlled delivery (1988 C'n)
 - law enforcement cooperation (1988 C'n)
 - maritime coop. against trafficking on the high seas (1988 C'n)
 - use of the mails (1988 C'n)



UNODC Legal Assistance

➤ UNODC implementation tools :

- Model Laws
- Model Treaties
- Mutual Legal Assistance (MLA) Computer Tool
- Expert Best Practice Reports
- Training manuals



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for your attention.



http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/drug_and_crime_conventions.html