RESOLUTION OF THE CUSTOMS CO-OPERATION COUNCIL
ENCOURAGING MEMBERS AND CUSTOMS OR ECONOMIC UNIONS
TO BECOME CONTRACTING PARTIES TO THE
UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION AGAINST ILLICIT TRAFFIC
IN NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES

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THE CUSTOMS CO-OPERATION COUNCIL,

NOTING the magnitude of and rising trend in the illicit traffic in
narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances,

NOTING also that this traffic causes serious economic and social
damage to countries and that it is often linked to related
organized criminal activities,

CONVINCED of the need for co-ordinated action within the framework
of co-operation at the international and national level and for
the application of modern law enforcement techniques to
eradicate the traffic,

HAVING REGARD to the following enforcement instruments adopted by
the Council:

- International Convention on mutual administrative assistance
  for the prevention, investigation and repression of Customs
  offences (Nairobi Convention, 9 June 1977)

- Recommendations concerning:
  . mutual administrative assistance (5 December 1953)
  . the spontaneous exchange of information concerning illicit
    traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances
    (8 June 1971)
  . the development of co-ordinated enforcement and intel-
    ligence operations aimed at identifying and intercepting
    concealed illicit drugs (13 June 1985)
- Resolution concerning the prevention of illicit traffic in narcotics, stimulants and similar substances (7 June 1967),

RECOGNIZING the need to reinforce and supplement the measures provided in existing international treaties relating to narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, in particular the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, that Convention as amended by the 1972 Protocol and the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances,

CONSIDERING that the United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, 19 December 1988, contains many provisions of particular interest to Customs administrations,