

substances are likely to be abused and to which there is a risk to public health. For example, Schedule IV lists drugs possessing particularly dangerous qualities and calls for the adoption of special control measures.

The treaty recommends that the use of such drugs be discontinued whenever the prevailing conditions render this step the most appropriate means of protecting the public. The Commission on Narcotic Drugs may change the control regime with respect to a drug on the recommendation of the World Health Organization (WHO).

The Convention also contains provisions, based on the 1948 Protocol, regarding procedures pertaining to a substance not already in Schedule I or II, including the provisional application of control measures pending a final decision by the Commission on the nature of the drug in question. The present role of WHO in determining the properties of a new drug has been retained.