

**PROTOCOL BRINGING UNDER INTERNATIONAL CONTROL DRUGS
OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THE CONVENTION OF 13 JULY 1931
FOR LIMITING THE MANUFACTURE AND REGULATING THE
DISTRIBUTION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS, AS AMENDED BY THE
PROTOCOL SIGNED AT LAKE SUCCESS ON 11 DECEMBER
1946.**

PREAMBLE

The States Parties to the present Protocol,

CONSIDERING that the progress of modern pharmacology and chemistry has resulted in the discovery of drugs, particularly synthetic drugs, capable of producing addiction, but not covered by the Convention of 13 July 1931 for Limiting the Manufacture and Regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs, as amended by the Protocol signed at Lake Success on 11 December 1946,

DESIRING to supplement the provisions of that Convention and to place these drugs, including their preparations and compounds containing these drugs under control in order to limit by international agreement their manufacture to the world's legitimate requirements for medical and scientific purposes and to regulate their distribution,

REALIZING the importance of the universal application of this international agreement and of its earliest possible entry into force,

HAVE RESOLVED to conclude a Protocol for that purpose and have agreed upon the following provisions:

CHAPTER I. CONTROL

ARTICLE 1

1. Any State Party to the present Protocol which considers that a drug which is or may be used for medical or scientific purposes and to which the Convention of 13 July 1931 does not apply, is liable to the same kind of abuse and productive of the same kind of harmful effects as the drugs specified in article 1, paragraph 2, of the said Convention, shall send a notification to that effect, with all material information in its possession, to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, who shall transmit it immediately to the other States Parties to the present Protocol, to the Commission on Narcotic Drugs of the Economic and Social Council and to the World Health Organization.

2. If the World Health Organization finds that the drug in question is capable of producing addiction or of conversion into a product capable of producing addiction, this Organization shall decide whether the drug shall fall:

- (a) Under the regime laid down in the 1931 Convention for the drugs specified in article 1, paragraph 2, group I, of that Convention; or
- (b) Under the regime laid down in the 1931 Convention for the drugs specified in article 1, paragraph 2, group II, of that Convention.