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General Assembly of the Vienna NGO Committee on Drugs

Tuesday, 9th January 2018 16:00 CET, Conference Room C2 (7th floor, C Building, VIC)

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Adoption of the draft agenda Approved.

2. Roll Call

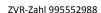
7 Member Organisations attended in person (all in good standing):

- Graduate Women International
- Women's Federation for World Peace
- Students for Sensible Drug Policy
- International Inner Wheel
- Turkish Green Crescent
- Foundation for a Drug-free Europe
- Society for the Advancement of Global Understanding

20 Member Organisations attended via online conference (all in good standing)

- Costa Rican Association on Drug Studies and Interventions
- IOGT International
- Active sobriety, friendship and peace
- Foundation for Alternative Approaches to Addiction Think & do tank
- IOGT-NTO
- Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales
- FORUT
- International Drug Policy Consortium
- México Unido Contra la Delincuencia
- Transform Drug Policy Foundation
- World Federation against Drugs
- Dianova International
- Drug Policy Alliance
- Drug Reform Coordination Network
- European Cities against Drugs
- Slum Child Foundation
- Students for Sensible Drug Policy Australia
- Transnational Institute
- Zimbabwe Civil Liberties and Drug Network
- Help Not Handcuffs Inc.

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Board members (via online conference)

- Esbjörn Hörnberg, Chair
- Luciana Pol, Secretary and acting Vice-Chair
- Jamie Bridge, Treasurer
- Wilson Box, Vice-Secretary

Also present:

Heather Haase, NYNGOC (via online conference) Mirella Dummar Frahi, UNODC Civil Society Team (CST) Billy Batware, UNODC Civil Society Team (CST)

In addition 29 valid proxy votes were held. For complete list please see ANNEX 1.

3. Approval of the minutes of the last meeting

The draft minutes of the meeting held on 27 September 2017 have been circulated and are available for download on the <u>website</u>. The Committee **approved** the draft as a correct record of the meeting.

4. Apologies for absence

To note any apologies for absence received by the Secretary in advance of the meeting or received at the meeting.

Apologies received by Secretary prior to the meeting:

- Diogenis Drug Policy Dialogue
- International Council of Women
- Intercambios Asociación Civil
- San Patrignano Foundation

Apologies received from Board members

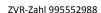
Zoran Jelic, Vice Treasurer

5. Membership

The Committee was informed about the latest applications for membership and the new members were officially introduced.

- Oddyssey House Louisiana, Inc. (www.ohlinc.org)
- Instituto Internacional de Criminalistica Aplicada (INICA) (www.inpeval.com)
- Acción Técnica Social (ATS) (www.acciontecnicasocial.com)
- Peningon Institute (www.penington.org.au)
- World Federation of Therapeutic Communities (WFTC) (www.wftc.com)

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- National Anti-Drug Union (NAU) (www.nasrf.ru)
- · Unified Initiative for a Drug Free Nigeria

6. Membership Fees 2018

The treasurer Jamie bridge presented the proposal for the membership fees 2018 to the committee for approval.

Organisation's 2017 annual budget	Euros	USD		
Under €10,000	No fee, but mandatory completion	No fee, but mandatory completion		
	of the Membership Commitment	of the Membership Commitment		
	<u>Form</u>	<u>Form</u>		
€10,001 to €50,000	€60.00	\$75.00		
€50,001 and €150,000	€90.00	\$110.00		

Approved.

7. Election Committee for Board Election 2018

The board presented the nominations for the election committee for approval.

The nominees were as follows:

- George Baxtali Ochieng Slum Child Foundation
- Nazlee Maghsoudi International Centre for Science in Drug Policy
- Thomas LegI International Council on Alcohol and Addictions
- Zara Snapp EQUIS Justicia para las Mujeres

The representative of FAAAT criticised that the modalities for nominations were not clearly publicised and that the deadline had been handled very strictly especially considering that the meeting was postponed from December. The board explained the reasoning behind the choice, the statutes and rules of procedure stat that the Election Committee needs to be composed of at least three members. As the board received four applications within the set deadline it was decided to nominate all four.

8. Civil Society Task Force

The chair, Esbjörn Hörnberg presented the <u>Memorandum of Understanding</u> with NYNGOC, which outlines the continued cooperation of the two committees and sets forth the tasks necessary to reconvene the Civil Society Task Force (CSTF).

Heather Haase, the chair of the NYNGOC made introductory remarks as well and highlighted the long history of successful collaboration between the two committees as well as the great work the CSTF did leading up to the UNGASS 2016.

The membership discussed the pros and cons of an MoU. As in previous meetings of the committee some members raised the concern, that the tasks set out for the CSTF could easily

3 **Project Officer** Chairperson Treasurer Secretary and acting **Deputy Secretary Deputy Treasurer** Vice-Chairperson Esbjörn Hörnberg Jamie Bridge Zoran Jelic Luciana Pol Wilson Box Sarah Pirker **IOGT** International Int. Drug Policy Celebrate Recovery Centro Des Estudios Zimbabwe Civil Austria Consortium Bosnia & Herzegovina Legales Y Sociales Liberties Union Sweden **United Kingdom** Zimbabwe Argentina



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be managed by the VNGOC itself and that in fact the VNGOC is ideally placed to coordinate all efforts regarding drug policy at it is a truly global committee with a diverse membership. Another concern raised was the time and money necessary to set up another separate entity.

Other members pointed out, that the CSTF did a great job previously and that setting it up again would be much easier now than it was before UNGASS. In addition the CSTF could provide an effective mechanism to ensure an inclusive approach and fair representation of all groups and people involved.

Luciana Pol, VNGOC secretary, and Heather Haase both reiterated that having a local organisation to keep in close connection with the agencies in New York has proven very useful in the past. Responding to the concern that the MoU brings nothing new to the table and that the only shared tasks of the committees would be selecting speakers, they explained, that while the two committees have been collaborating on this on an ad hoc basis in the past clear guidelines and a more formal structure are valuable for future cooperation.

The members in attendance (both in person and online) voted on whether to approve the MoU: 33 Yes Votes (including proxies) 19 No Votes (including proxies)

The Memorandum of Understanding with the NYNGOC was approved.

9. Marketplace V2 und UNODC Update

Peter Calvache (CEO, Progressive Mindworks GmbH) gave a preview of the new and improved version of the Marketplace interface, which will go online at the end of January 2018. A test version is available for preview at www.mp2.vngoc.org.

The UNODC Civil Society Team (CST) provided updates about the upcoming 61st session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, including side events applications and guidelines. The CST also emphasised the crucial role the CSTF played in the lead-up to the UNGASS 2016.

10. Any other business

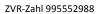
The representative of the Turkish Green Crescent suggested that it would be useful to gather regular one page reports from members on their activities to be disseminated among the membership. The chair suggested that the marketplace platform would be an ideal way to do that.

11. Dates of next meetings

The next meeting will be scheduled for Thursday, 15 March 2018 late afternoon.

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ANNEX 1 Proxy Votes

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Sweden	Consortium	Bosnia & Herzegovina	Legales Y Sociales	Liberties Union	
	United Kingdom		Argentina	Zimbabwe	

		Good				Good	
Organistion	Accronym	Standing	Proxy	Accronym	Representative	Standing	
1 Junis, IOGT-NTOs Juniorförbund		Yes	Active - sobriety, friendship and peace		Aleksandra Ruminska	Yes	Online
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2 Ungdomens Nykterhetsförbunds	UNF	Yes	Active - sobriety, friendship and peace		Aleksandra Ruminska	Yes	Online
			Asociación Costarricense para el Estudio e				
3 Harm Reduction Coalition	HRC	Yes	Intervención en Drogas	ACEID	Ernesto Cortés	Yes	Online
4 Citywide Drugs Crisis Campaign		Yes	Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales	CELS	Luciana Pol	Yes	Online
5 Human Rights Watch	HRW	Yes	Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales	CELS	Luciana Pol	Yes	Online
6 Mainline Foundation		Yes	Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales	CELS	Luciana Pol	Yes	Online
7 Actis		Yes	FORUT		Dag Endal	Yes	Online
8 San Patrignano		Yes	FORUT		Dag Endal	Yes	Online
9 Sunny Trust		Yes	FORUT		Dag Endal	Yes	Online
,			Foundation for Alternative Approaches to Addiction		- U		
10 Help not Handcuffs		Yes	– Think & do tank	FAAAT	Kenzi Riboulet	Yes	Online
			Foundation for Alternative Approaches to Addiction				
11 Iglesia Evangélica Protestante De El Salvador	IEPES	Yes	– Think & do tank	FAAAT	Kenzi Riboulet	Yes	Online
12 Canadian Drug Policy Foudnation		Yes	International Drug Policy Consortium	IDPC	Jamie Bridge	Yes	Online
13 Washington Office on Latin America	WOLA	Yes	International Drug Policy Consortium	IDPC	Jamie Bridge	Yes	Online
14 Youth Organisations for Drug Action		Yes	International Drug Policy Consortium	IDPC	Jamie Bridge	Yes	Online
15 IFINGO	IFINGO	Yes	IOGT International	IOGT	Kristina Sperkova	Yes	Online
	ARTM	Yes	IOGT-NTO	IOGT-NTO	Kalle Dramstad	Yes	Online
17 Organizacao das Familias da Asia e do Pacifico	OFAP	Yes	IOGT-NTO	IOGT-NTO	Kalle Dramstad	Yes	Online
18 Drug Reform Coordination Network	DRC Net	Yes	Mexico Unido Contra la Delincuencia	MUCD	Lisa Sanchez	Yes	Online
19 Open Society Institute		Yes	Mexico Unido Contra la Delincuencia	MUCD	Lisa Sanchez	Yes	Online
20 Penal Reform International	PRI	Yes	Mexico Unido Contra la Delincuencia	MUCD	Lisa Sanchez	Yes	Online
21 Canadian Students for Sensible Drug Policy	CSSDP	Yes	Students for Sensible Drug Policy	SSDP	Orsi Feher	Yes	
22 International Centre for Science in Drug Policy	ICSDP	Yes	Students for Sensible Drug Policy	SSDP	Orsi Feher	Yes	
23 TB/HIV Care Association	1002.	Yes	Students for Sensible Drug Policy	SSDP	Orsi Feher	Yes	
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24 en Toxicomanie	Fedito Bxl	Yes	Transform Drug Policy Foundation		Ben Campell	Yes	Online
25 Intercambios Asociación Civil		Yes	Transform Drug Policy Foundation		Ben Campell	Yes	Online
26 Canadian HIV/AIDS Network		Yes	Transform Drug Policy Foundation		Ben Campell	Yes	Online
27 European Cities Agains Drugs	EURAD	Yes	World Federation Against Drugs	WFAD	Linda Nilsson	Yes	Online
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28 Dalgarno Institute		Yes	World Federation Against Drugs	WFAD	Linda Nilsson	Yes	Online
29 Ugandan youth development link		Yes	World Federation Against Drugs	WFAD	Linda Nilsson	Yes	Online