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SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS, 1961, AS AMENDED BY THE
PROTOCOL AMENDING THE SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC
DRUGS, 1961

NEW YORK, 8 AUGUST 1975

PROPOSAL OF AMENDMENTS BY THE PLURINATIONAL STATE OF BOLIVIA TO ARTICLE
49, PARAGRAPHS 1 (C) AND 2 (E)¹: URUGUAY

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary,
communicates the following:

Reference is made to the decision by the Economic and Social Council on the proposal of the Government of the Plurinational State of Bolivia to amend article 49, paragraphs 1 (c) and 2 (e) of the above Convention, to initiate the procedures established in article 47, paragraph 1 (b), which states that the parties shall be asked whether they accept the proposed amendment and also asked to submit to the Economic and Social Council any comments on the proposal. The Secretary-General communicated to all States concerned the text of the Council's decision in depositary notification C.N.474.2009. TREATIES-3 dated 30 July 2009.

On 31 January 2011, the Secretary-General received a note verbale, dated 31 January 2011, from the Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the United Nations, addressed to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General, on the matter. The Secretary-General subsequently communicated to the Council, by way of a Note by the Secretary-General, the note verbale from the Permanent Mission of Uruguay.

On 11 February 2011, the Secretary-General received from the Economic and Social Council the attached Council document E/2011/65, dated 1 February 2011, for circulation to all States parties.

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¹ Refer to depositary notification C.N.194.2009.TREATIES-2 of 6 April 2009 (Proposal of amendments by Bolivia to article 49, paragraphs 1 (c) and 2 (e)).



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Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended by the Protocol amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961 (New York, 8 August 1975)

Proposal of amendments by the Plurinational State of Bolivia to article 49, paragraphs 1 (c) and 2 (e)

Note by the Secretary-General

In its decision 2009/250 of 30 July 2009, the Economic and Social Council, taking note of the note by the Secretary-General (E/2009/78) on the proposal of the Government of the Plurinational State of Bolivia to amend article 49, paragraphs 1 (c) and 2 (e), of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961 as amended by the 1972 Protocol,¹ decided, in accordance with article 47, paragraph 1, of the Convention as amended, to initiate the procedures established in paragraph 1 (b) of that article, which states that the parties shall be asked whether they accept the proposed amendment and also asked to submit to the Economic and Social Council any comments on the proposal.

The Secretary-General, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicated to the parties to the Convention the text of Council decision 2009/250 in a Depositary Notification² dated 30 July 2009.

The Secretary-General is hereby communicating to the Council a note verbale dated 31 January 2011 from the Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the United Nations (see annex).

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 976, No. 14152.

² C.N.474.2009.TREATIES-3.



Annex

[Original: Spanish]

Note verbale dated 31 January 2011 from the Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the United Nations addressed to the Economic and Social Council

The Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the United Nations presents its compliments to the President of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations in the interest of addressing the proposal made by the Government of the Plurinational State of Bolivia to amend the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961.

In that regard, Uruguay wishes to express its support for the right of the Plurinational State of Bolivia to develop its own strategy for voluntary eradication and endorses the country's right to propose a re-evaluation of the coca leaf by international agencies.



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Convención Única de 1961 sobre Estupefacientes, enmendada por el Protocolo de Modificación de la Convención Única de 1961 sobre Estupefacientes (Nueva York, 8 de agosto de 1975)

Propuesta de enmiendas al artículo 49, párrafos 1 c) y 2 e), presentada por el Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia

Nota del Secretario General

En su decisión 2009/250, de 30 de julio de 2009, el Consejo Económico y Social, tomando nota de la nota del Secretario General (E/2009/78) sobre la propuesta del Gobierno del Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia de enmendar el artículo 49, párrafos 1 c) y 2 e), de la Convención Única de 1961 sobre Estupefacientes, modificada por el Protocolo de 1972¹, decidió, de conformidad con lo dispuesto en el artículo 47, párrafo 1 de la Convención en su forma enmendada, iniciar los procedimientos establecidos en el párrafo 1 b) de dicho artículo, en que se dispone que se pregunte a las partes si aceptan la modificación propuesta y se les pida que presenten al Consejo comentarios acerca de la misma.

El Secretario General, actuando en su calidad de depositario, comunicó a las partes en la Convención el texto de la decisión 2009/250 del Consejo en una notificación del depositario² de fecha 30 de julio de 2009.

El Secretario General transmite por la presente al Consejo una nota verbal de fecha 31 de enero de 2011 enviada por la Misión Permanente del Uruguay ante las Naciones Unidas (véase el anexo).

¹ Naciones Unidas, *Treaty Series*, vol. 976, núm. 14152.

² C.N.474.2009.TREATIES-3.



Anexo

[Original: español]

Nota verbal de fecha 31 de enero de 2011 dirigida al Consejo Económico y Social por la Misión Permanente del Uruguay ante las Naciones Unidas

La Misión Permanente del Uruguay ante las Naciones Unidas presenta sus más atentos saludos a la Presidencia del Consejo Económico y Social de las Naciones Unidas, a fin de hacer referencia a la propuesta de modificación de la Convención Única de 1961 sobre Estupefacientes, formulada por el Gobierno del Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia.

Al respecto, el Uruguay desea expresar su respaldo al derecho del Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia a desarrollar una estrategia propia de erradicación consensuada y apoya el derecho que le asiste de plantear ante los organismos internacionales la revalorización de la hoja de coca.
