ECOSOC Resolution 2004/30

Second World Summit of Attorneys General and General Prosecutors, Chief Prosecutors and Ministers of Justice

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions on the use and application of United Nations standards and norms in crime prevention and criminal justice, especially in relation to the Guidelines on the Role of Prosecutors,¹

Stressing the important role that law enforcement and criminal justice professionals, in particular prosecutors, should play in the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime² and the Protocols thereto,³ the United Nations Convention against Corruption⁴ and the twelve international legal instruments against terrorism,

Emphasizing the significance of promoting international cooperation in criminal matters, to which prosecutors can make a major contribution.

Aware of the outcome of the first World Summit of Attorneys General and General Prosecutors, Chief Prosecutors and Ministers of Justice, held in Guatemala from 2 to 5 February 2004, and the adoption of its declaration, which contains important recommendations for future action.

- 1. Welcomes the initiative of Qatar to act as host to the second World Summit of Attorneys General and General Prosecutors, Chief Prosecutors and Ministers of Justice, to be held in Doha in November 2005;
- 2. Requests the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources for that purpose, to assist the Government of Qatar in the preparation and substantive servicing of the Summit;
- 3. *Invites* the Summit to ensure that its programme is targeted to further strengthening international cooperation in criminal matters, taking into account the crucial role of prosecutors in enhancing law enforcement cooperation under the rule of law;
- 4. Calls upon the Summit to ensure that its conclusions and recommendations make a substantive contribution to the work of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, ¹²⁰ as well as to advance the ratification process of the United Nations Convention against Corruption ¹²² and the universal instruments against terrorism;

¹ Eighth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, Havana, 27 August-7 September 1990; report prepared by the Secretariat (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.91.IV.2), chap. I, sect. C.26, annex.

² General Assembly resolution 55/25, annex I.

³ General Assembly resolutions 55/25, annexes II and III, and 55/255, annex.

⁴ General Assembly resolution 58/4, annex.

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to bring the conclusions and recommendations of the Summit to the attention of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.

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