

## Resolution for the appointment of new Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

In support of Mr. A.M. Costa and the appointment of a successor in his spirit

We, the organizers and participants of the *Second* World Forum Against Drugs (WFAD 2010) held the 24<sup>th</sup> through 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2010 in Stockholm,

Recognizing that Mr. Antonio Maria Costa, appointed Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and Director General of the United Nations in Vienna (UNO V) is about to retire after eight years of strong leadership and service to the international community, working with important issues such as drugs, organized crime (like human trafficking and corruption), and terrorism;

Remembering with gratitude Mr. Costa's work during his eight year tenure to implement and reinforce the United Nations International Drug Conventions, through a constructive and comprehensive approach, ranging from administrative control and law enforcement to prevention and opinion shaping against drugs;

Considering the need for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to carry on Mr. Costa's work and leadership in global efforts against drug crime and non-medical use of drugs, in particular given the rise in global crime related to drugs, deaths linked to abuse of illicit drugs and violence linked to terrorist and cartel groups;

Call upon the United Nations Secretary General to nominate and appoint a successor to Mr. Costa with the ability to personally embody and carry on global efforts to wholeheartedly apply the United Nations International Drug Conventions, Convention on Transnational Organized Crime (UNTOC) and the Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) in Mr. Costa's spirit, and the spirit of UNODC directives, especially research and policy analysis, normative work as it relates to the Conventions and technical assistance to reinforce that UNODC's role is also in favor of drug demand reduction through these main focus areas.

As agreed by the Congress of World Federation Against Drugs held on May 26, 2010 in Stockholm.