

RESOLUTION

On Combating the Spread of Narcotic Drugs

The Baltic Assembly,

taking into consideration the Final Document of the Baltic Assembly Conference on “Influence of Legislation on Combating the Spread of Narcotic Drugs”,

noting that drug addiction is increasing and spreading, thus harming the health of individuals and hindering their social development, as well as creating conditions for the growth of organised crime and threatening society’s safety and welfare,

stressing the need for the Baltic States to draft and implement laws providing for stricter punitive measures for spreading narcotic drugs,

calls on the Baltic Council of Ministers:

1. to step up efforts in the prevention of drug abuse and the treatment and rehabilitation of drug addicts;
2. to introduce strict legal sanctions against all persons who gain financially from the spreading and sale of narcotic drugs and against persons who participate in laundering money gained from drug trafficking;
3. to facilitate the co-operation of national, regional and local institutions of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania by ensuring the exchange of information and by planning and implementing joint measures in combating the spread of narcotic drugs.

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