



**MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE PROTOCOL
TO ELIMINATE ILLICIT TRADE IN TOBACCO PRODUCTS**

**FCTC/MOP3(17)
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DECISION

**FCTC/MOP3(17) Improving the reporting system of the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit
Trade in Tobacco Products**

The Meeting of the Parties (MOP),

Recalling Article 32.1 of the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products, which stipulates that “each Party shall submit to the Meeting of the Parties, through the Convention Secretariat, periodic reports on its implementation of this Protocol”;

Further recalling decision FCTC/MOP1(10), in which the MOP established reporting arrangements under the Protocol;

Noting document FCTC/MOP/3/7, which describes the initial experience with the reporting and information sharing under the Protocol and contains a proposal, developed under the guidance of the Bureau, to improve the reporting system of the Protocol;

Noting also document FCTC/MOP/3/4, which describes global progress in implementation of the Protocol,

1. WELCOMES the proposed revised reporting instrument of the Protocol, contained in Annex 2 of document FCTC/MOP/3/7;
2. REQUESTS the Convention Secretariat:
 - (a) to develop a new online reporting platform, including by incorporating the revised reporting instrument and features to make the platform as user-friendly as possible and testing it with the Parties, so that it may be used as of the next reporting cycle;
 - (b) to invite Parties to complete and submit their implementation reports, accordingly, in the period announced by the Convention Secretariat;
 - (c) to continue reviewing official external sources of data that are relevant to illicit trade in tobacco products, with a view to exploring how such data may best inform the assessment of global progress in implementation of the Protocol by the Parties and to present to the Fourth session of the MOP a sources and methodology mapping;

(d) to continue its efforts to further simplify the reporting instrument by taking into consideration the collection of meaningful information, including with regard to the global information-sharing focal point.

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