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UNODC mandates and expertise on women and drug use and dependence

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Mandates

- Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961 as amended by the 1972 Protocol
- Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971
- United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances of 1988

- Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter the World Drug Problem, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations in March 2010.
  - Calls for women and men to access to, and benefit equally and without discrimination from drug control measures and strategies (para. 9).
  - Calls for specialised services tailored to the needs of vulnerable groups, including women (paras. 13-14).



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