



G-77 AND CHINA POSITION PAPER AT SIXTEENTH INFORMAL MEETING OF FINGOV  
PRESENTED BY H.E. AMBASSADOR ANTONIO GARCÍA, 3 DECEMBER 2012

**Agenda item 4. Other Matters: Review of the functioning of FINGOV by the CND and CCPCJ in 2013**

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND) through its resolution 52/13 and the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ), through its Resolution 18/3, have defined the clear mandate for the standing open-ended intergovernmental working group on improving the governance and financial situation of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. The essence of the mandate of the Working Group to improve the administrative, financial and programmatic functioning of UNODC should remain the bedrock of the Working Group.

The Group of G-77 and China considers that FINGOV could become more useful through an enhanced engagement of all Member States in the financial and governance matters of UNODC. This objective could be best achieved through, among others, the following elements

A structured draft Agenda duly approved by Member States is the basis of negotiations under the Working Group. Such negotiations should result in concrete proposals that would contribute to the improvement of financial and governance situation of UNODC.

The Group welcomes developing an annual structured working plan, duly approved by Member States, and recommends that the same practice being followed for the subsequent years.

The agenda should form the basis of any negotiations under the Working Group. The negotiations should result in concrete proposals that would contribute to the improvement of financial and governance situation of UNODC.

The working documents including the draft thematic reports should be circulated at least one month in advance of the meeting.

There should be more than two formal meetings of FINGOV per year.

Distributing summary reports of the sessions by the Co-Chairs is appreciated. Such reports could also be accumulated and organized in a way to be used as background documents of the formal sessions of the Working Group as well as for the purpose of the report of the Working Group to the Commissions.

Following the consensus of Member States on extension of the mandate of the Working Group for 2 terms of 2 years, it looks appropriate to propose that the Standing Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on Improving the Governance and Financial Situation of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime becomes a permanent consultative body of the Commissions, thus facilitating a more active participation and engagement by all delegations based in Vienna.