

UN drug control: the treaty decades

1960s				1970s				1980s			
1	U Thant			Kurt Waldheim			Javier Pérez de Cuéllar				
2	John F. Kennedy	Lyndon B. Johnson	Richard Nixon	Gerald Ford	Jimmy Carter	Ronald Reagan					
	1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs	1964: Single Convention comes into effect									
	1968: INCB established	1969: Vienna Convention on Law of Treaties	1970: US Controlled Substances Act enacted	1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances	1972 Protocol Amending 1961 Convention	1973: DEA established; Rockefeller Drug Laws NY	1975: End Vietnam War; Heroin epidemic in US	1976: Change in Dutch law enabling coffeeshops	1977: Carter supports cannabis decriminalization	1978: Several US States decriminalize cannabis	1979: Deadline opium (15 yrs); end legal regimes
	Countercultural revolution				Divergent policy trends				Escalation 'War on Drugs'		
	1982: "Just Say No" campaign starts	1983: 1 st US military operation in Andean region	1984: Crack epidemic takes off in US	1985: 1 st Colombian extraditions to US	1986: US mandatory minimum sentences	1987: Conference Drug Abuse & Illicit Trafficking	1988 Convention Against Illicit Trafficking	1989: Deadline coca & cannabis (25 yrs)			

1. UN Secretaries-General: Dag Hammarskjöld (Sweden, Apr 1953 - Sep 1961); U Thant (Burma, Nov 1961 - Dec 1971); Kurt Waldheim (Austria, Jan 1972 - Dec 1981); Javier Pérez de Cuéllar (Peru, Jan 1982 - Dec 1991)

2. US Presidents: John F. Kennedy (20 Jan 1961 - 22 Nov 1963); Lyndon B. Johnson (22 Nov 1963 - 20 Jan 1969); Richard Nixon (20 Jan 1969 - 9 Aug 1974); Gerald Ford (9 Aug 1974 - 20 Jan 1977); Jimmy Carter (20 Jan 1977 - 1981); Ronald Reagan (20 Jan 1981 - 20 Jan 1989); George H.W. Bush (20 Jan 1989 - 1993)