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This international treaty was intended to extend and augment the agreements among the signatories that were contained in the 1961 SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS and the 1971 CONVENTION ON PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES. The 1988 Convention came into force in November 1990. By November 1994, 103 governments and the European Economic Community had been parties to the Convention. Included among the provisions are arrangements and agreements to legalize seizure of drug-related assets; criminalize MONEY LAUNDERING; relax bank-secrecy rules; permit extradition of individuals charged with drug-law violations; control shipments of precursor and essential chemicals; continue to support CROP CONTROL and eradication; and share evidence with law enforcement and prosecuting agencies of governments who are party to the conventions.

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