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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

The Art of Living foundation is a non-profit humanitarian and volunteer-based organization that works in special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations and is accredited with the World Health Organisation.

Among its various social development projects, the foundation offers stress relief programmes that help the rehabilitation process of those recovering from drug abuse.

Some of the drug rehabilitation centres that have worked with the Art of Living foundation are: New York City "Veritas" and "Recovery Work" centres, Singapore Anti Narcotic Association and the Delhi Police Foundation.

In Serbia, the foundation has established relations with the Ministry of Justice in the field of prisoner rehabilitation as well as the Vojvodina Department of Education and Culture in youth-related projects.

The success rate of Art of Living programmes, the experience of those who have undergone training along with medical research conducted by independent agencies on the benefits of techniques taught in the programmes – all indicate a high efficiency of the programmes in rehabilitation work.

With a view to an overall drug demand reduction process in Serbia which UNODC strongly supports, we hope that the Art of Living teachings will be well received by government and non-government organizations fighting drug abuse and will represent a great step forward for those suffering from drug abuse and related problems.

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