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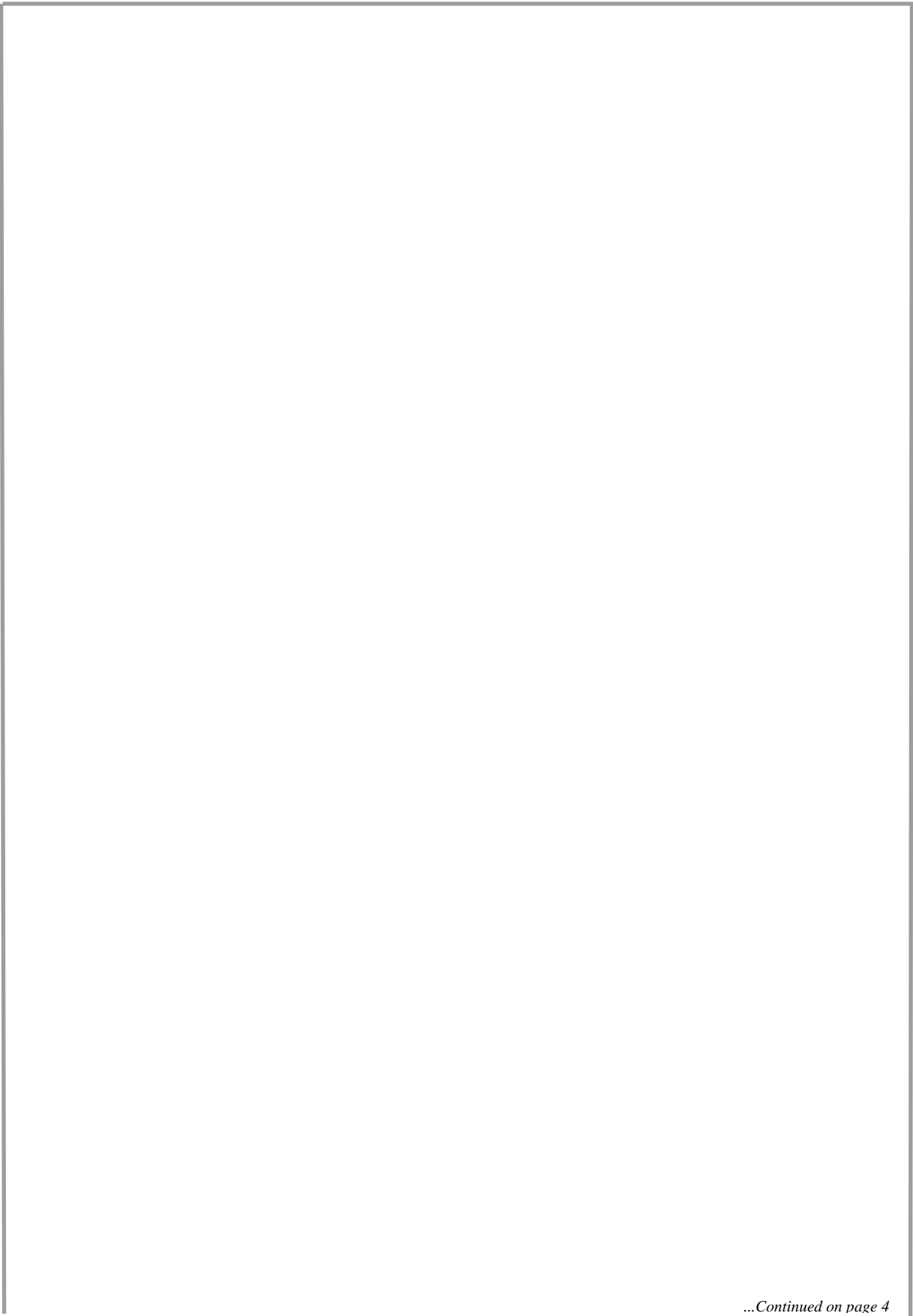
**Newsletter on the work of the United Nations Economic and Social Council**

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several recommendations which will be conveyed to the concerned Governments in the following weeks. The Board also examined follow-up action taken by the Governments of Bangladesh, Ghana, Mexico and the Russian Federation, after INCB missions had visited their countries in 2005. The Board decided to publish guidelines for Governments on matters related to Internet sites illegally selling internationally controlled substances.

### **III– More Information**

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