STATUS DECISION OF CONTROLLED AND NON-CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE(S)

Substance: Tapentadol (chemical name: 3-[(1R, 2R)-3-(dimethylamino)-1-ethyl-2-methylpropyl]phenol)

Based on the current information available to the Office of Controlled Substances, it appears that the above substance is:

Controlled □
Not Controlled X

under the schedules of the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA) for the following reason(s):

• the substance is not listed on the CDSA.
• its remote structural relationship to the phenylpiperidines is inadequate support of the concept that tapentadol is an analogue of the phenylpiperidines.
• this same structural feature is also found in the methadols; however, tapentadol is not an analogue of the methadols.

Supporting document(s) attached: X

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Approved by: DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES Date: 

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