

**RECOMMENDATION 1:****RATIFY THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION AGAINST CORRUPTION AND THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION AGAINST THE ILLICIT MANUFACTURING OF AND TRAFFICKING IN FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER RELATED MATERIALS**

Jamaica reports that the implementation of the recommendation is in progress. This progress is described as a draft amendment to two pieces of Legislation that will be tabled in Parliament shortly.

CICAD acknowledges the progress made by Jamaica and encourages completion of the recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 2:**SIGN AND RATIFY THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS**

Jamaica reports progress and an implementation date of April 2001. However, in the explanation provided, not only has the ratification not moved forward but the convention itself is being questioned, and, if adopted, would include serious reservations.

The recommendations stands.

RECOMMENDATION 3:**DEVELOP AN EVALUATION SYSTEM FOR THE ANTI-DRUG PLAN**

A new anti-drug master plan, including an evaluation component, is being prepared for the period 2003-2007. This preparation involves agencies presently involved in anti-drug programmes with expertise and funding being provided by OAS/CICAD.

CICAD recognizes the country's efforts to comply with the recommendation in the time frames indicated.

Notwithstanding, CICAD reiterates the need to fulfill the recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 4:**DEVELOP AND APPLY AN INTEGRATED SYSTEM FOR MAINTAINING DOCUMENTS OR STATISTICS ON THE SOCIETAL IMPACT OF ILLICIT DRUGS**

Jamaica anticipates that national and regional statistics showing the societal impact of drugs may be collected when the Caribbean Drug Information Network (CARDIN) is implemented by the Caribbean Epidemiology Centre.

Notwithstanding, CICAD reiterates the need to fulfill the recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 5:**EVALUATE EXISTING PREVENTION PROGRAMS**

Jamaica reports that evaluation of prevention programs in schools will commence in 2002 and conclude in 2005. A national survey will initiate in 2002 and be completed in 2003.

Notwithstanding, CICAD reiterates the need to fulfill the recommendation.

**RECOMMENDATION 6:****CONTINUE THE EXPANSION OF PREVENTION PROGRAMS TO COVER KEY POPULATIONS**

Jamaica reports that implementation of this recommendation is in progress but from the information provided it is difficult to determine the extent of the progress. It is dependent on the amount of funds available from the national budget and various forms of outside assistance and aid and is projected into the future.

Jamaica is urged to fully implement this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 7:**IMPLEMENT AN ONGOING SYSTEM TO MEASURE THE INCIDENCE AND PREVALENCE OF DRUG USE IN THE GENERAL POPULATION**

Jamaica reports that activities to address this recommendation are in progress with the first step of conducting a national survey to be undertaken and completed by June 2002.

CICAD urges Jamaica to ensure that this is an ongoing activity to fully comply with this recommendation.

CICAD recognizes the country's efforts to comply with the recommendation in the time frames indicated.

Notwithstanding, CICAD reiterates the need to fulfill the recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 8:**DEVELOP A SYSTEM TO DETERMINE THE POTENTIAL PRODUCTION AND AREA UNDER ILLICIT CULTIVATION**

Jamaica reports that implementation is in progress. The measures utilized are described as reconnaissance flights by the Jamaica Defense Force and a bi-lateral arrangement with Global Positioning System (GPS) and helicopter support. These activities will commence in 2002.

CICAD urges Jamaica to fully implement this recommendation to ensure that a recognizable system is in place.

RECOMMENDATION 9:**TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO ESTABLISH A MECHANISM FOR NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL INFORMATION EXCHANGES ON CONTROLLED CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES AND PHARMACEUTICALS**

Jamaica reports that implementation is in progress. There is already a mechanism for the exchange of information on controlled substances but such a mechanism for pharmaceuticals is under development, to be completed in 2002.

CICAD acknowledges progress made by Jamaica in addressing this recommendation and urges continued activity to achieve full compliance.

**RECOMMENDATION 10:****ESTABLISH A MECHANISM OR AUTHORITY THAT ENSURES THAT IMPORTING OR IN-TRANSIT COUNTRIES HAVE ISSUED THE CORRESPONDING LICENSES OR AUTHORIZATIONS BEFORE PERMITTING THE RELEASE FOR EXPORT OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER RELATED MATERIALS**

Although Jamaica indicates that implementation is in progress, the extent of that progress is difficult to determine from the information provided.

The recommendation stands.

RECOMMENDATION 11:**ESTABLISH A SYSTEM TO COLLECT DATA ON THE NUMBER OF SEIZURE OPERATIONS OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER RELATED MATERIALS**

Jamaica reports that activities are in progress to address this recommendation. The measures to implement that are provided indicate agreements reached between several Jamaican entities and a completion date of June 2002. It is not clear as to the shape and appearance of the system.

CICAD acknowledges Jamaica's progress in addressing this recommendation and urges completion of the recommendation by the target date.

RECOMMENDATION 12:**ESTABLISH A SYSTEM TO COLLECT INFORMATION ON THE NUMBER OF PERSONS CHARGED AND CONVICTED FOR THE ILLICIT MANUFACTURING AND TRAFFICKING OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER RELATED MATERIALS**

Jamaica reports that information on the number of persons charged is now available. The section dealing with convictions is still outstanding.

CICAD acknowledges Jamaica's progress in partially addressing this recommendation and urges full compliance.

RECOMMENDATION 13:**CONTINUE TO DEVELOP THE CAPACITY TO ESTIMATE THE HUMAN, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC COST OF THE DRUG PROBLEM**

CICAD concludes that for this recommendation to be implemented, it will be necessary to devise a project addressing the methodological bases for conducting a study of the social, human, and economic costs of the drug problem.

Accordingly, in the first half of 2002 CICAD, together with states in the Hemisphere that have progressed in this area, will present a proposed basic and homogeneous methodology applicable to all countries.



FINAL COMMENT

Jamaica has moved forward toward addressing ratification of two inter-American conventions.

Plans are in the preparatory stages to evaluate existing and anticipated prevention programmes and also to develop data collection and integration. Systems dealing with drug control and drug-related law enforcement are also in the process of being completed.

CICAD expresses its satisfaction at the country's efforts to carry out the recommendations, and encourages Jamaica to take the necessary steps for their full implementation.