

**RECOMMENDATION 1:****SEEK TO ESTABLISH A SEPARATE BUDGET FOR THE NATIONAL DRUG BOARD TO CARRY OUT ITS ACTIVITIES**

Uruguay reports that the National Budget of Uruguay includes a category earmarked exclusively for the National Drug Board.

CICAD is satisfied with the completion of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 2:**RATIFY THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS AND THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION AGAINST THE ILLICIT MANUFACTURING OF AND TRAFFICKING IN FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES, AND OTHER RELATED MATERIALS**

Uruguay reports that the Inter-American Convention against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Ammunition, Explosives, and other Related Materials was ratified through the Law 17300 in March 2001, and deposited with the OAS on July 20, 2001.

In the case of the Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters, its ratification is in progress in the parliament.

CICAD recognizes the advances achieved by Uruguay in the implementation of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 3:**EXTEND EXISTING PROGRAMS TO INCLUDE STREET CHILDREN AND OUT-OF-SCHOOL YOUTH**

Uruguay reports that several initiatives have been launched targeting street children and out-of-school youth and that significant Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) funding has been approved for a comprehensive program for children, adolescents, and families at risk. Also Uruguay reports that the National Youth Institute is implementing a program targeting street children with two centers in Montevideo, in addition to conventions with various NGOs.

CICAD recognizes the progress achieved by Uruguay and encourages it to continue its efforts to complete the recommendation. CICAD also notes the programs referred to.

RECOMMENDATION 4:**CONTINUE DEVELOPING PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTOR "DRUGS IN THE WORKPLACE" PROGRAMS**

Uruguay reports that it is taking the necessary steps to continue developing drug programs in the workplace in both the public and private sector. Towards this end a workshop was held in December 2001 with local agencies, business associations, labour unions, and the International Labour Organization (ILO) with a view to taking coordinated measures. These experiences, which are supported by the United Nations International Drug Control Program (UNDCP), will culminate in the development of a project to be implemented next year.

CICAD recognizes the progress achieved by Uruguay and urges it to continue its efforts to complete the recommendation in the timeframe established by the country.

**RECOMMENDATION 5:****ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR MINIMUM STANDARDS OF CARE IN DRUG TREATMENT**

Uruguay reports that the guidelines for establishing minimum standards of care in drug treatment are being developed by technical personnel from the National Drug Board, with support from governmental, non-governmental organizations, and international consultants.

CICAD recognizes the progress achieved by Uruguay and urges it to continue its efforts to complete the recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 6:**STRENGTHEN THE EVALUATION SYSTEM TO ENABLE THE ANALYSIS, MONITORING, AND INTERPRETATION OF INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PROCESSES, EFFECTS, AND IMPACT OF DEMAND REDUCTION MEASURES**

Uruguay reports that during 2001 data will be entered into a computer program belonging to the National Drugs Board that are results of research. From this, regular analysis of information will be carried out to conduct evaluations of the results parallel to the strengthening of the evaluation system.

CICAD recognizes the progress achieved by Uruguay and urges it to continue its efforts to complete the recommendation as soon as possible.

RECOMMENDATION 7:**STRENGTHEN ITS MECHANISM FOR THE DETECTION OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES, AND OTHER MATERIALS RELATED TO ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFICKING**

Uruguay reports that it is engaged in internal coordination efforts with the institutions that are responsible for the control and investigation, and it plans to carry out training activities with specialized professionals from the OAS/CICAD for the detection of firearms, ammunition, explosives, and other materials related to illicit drug trafficking.

CICAD recognizes Uruguay's efforts, and encourages Uruguay to continue implementing this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 8:**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 COMMENTS

CICAD recognizes Uruguay's efforts to comply fully with all the recommendations. Concrete actions like the approval of a budget for the National Drug Board, the ratification the Inter-American Convention against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Ammunition, Explosives, and other Related Materials.

At the same time CICAD recognizes the progress made in the programs dealing with street children and out-of-school youth, as well as, taking the necessary steps to continue developing the programs aimed at prevention in the workplace. It is also important noting the progress made in the strengthening of the evaluation system in demand reduction, and the system in the detection of firearms.

CICAD encourages that the pending actions be completed by the estimated time.

