CARICOM IN THE MULTILATERAL EVALUATION PROCESS: A STRATEGIC ALLIANCE

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Presentation Outline

- Relevance of the MEM to the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)
- Areas of Collaboration
- Achievements and Impact
- Lessons Learnt
- Going Forward

Background and Relevance

- Sensitization on the MEM to the Inter-Governmental Task Force on Crime and Security; regional leaders; and other fora: the concept, relevance and importance to CARICOM organizations (2000 – 2001)
- Provides information on achievements, strengths and areas for improvement by country
Relevance

- Used as an analytical tool to guide regional implementation of actions to address drug demand reduction and supply control
- Supports the monitoring of the Regional Strategic Framework for Drug Demand Reduction (RSFDDR)
- Provides baseline data for new initiatives

Partnership

- Process
  - NCE’s
  - GEG
- Implementation
  - National
  - Regional
Regional Collaboration

- Institutional Strengthening
- Demand Reduction
- Supply Reduction
- Control Measures

Institutional Strengthening

- NADS: 36%
- DIN: 18%
- DC: 18%
- MEM: 27%
Demand Reduction

Supply Reduction & Control Measures

**Actions**
- Chemical Control
- Maritime Narco-Trafficking

**Countries**
- Jamaica, T&T., Saint Lucia, St. Kitts and Nevis
- Saint Lucia
Achievements and Impact

**Actions**
- Training/Capacity Building Workshops
- Development of Tools for Practitioners

**Impact**
- More equipped to make technical decisions and guide policy formulation
- Increase in the cadre of Drug Demand Reduction Practitioners

Achievements and Impact

**Actions**
- Development/Finalization of National Anti–Drug Strategy
- National Drug Councils re-established

**Impact**
- Coordinated approach for addressing illicit drugs
Lessons Learnt

- While capacity building to support the MEM is important, success can only be achieved and maintained where there is ownership of the process and the institutional framework to facilitate implementation.

- In-situ visits are more likely to succeed and be sustained, if followed up with in-country technical support – Work of Technical Advisory Body (TAB).

Going Forward

- Advocacy - At all levels

- Harmonization of work and creating synergies among International Development Partners (IDP)

- Functional Cooperation - Strengthening collaboration with regional/local entities
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