GROUP OF EXPERTS FOR THE CONTROL OF MONEY LAUNDERING

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BACKGROUND

- Caracas, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
- 27 and 28 September 2011
- 32 participants
- Countries: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Canada, Costa Rica, Dominica, Ecuador, Guatemala, Mexico, Panama, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, United States, and Venezuela.

SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS AND WORK PLAN

- Presentation of progress with the Internal Procedures Manual for requesting mutual legal assistance in follow-up and asset recovery (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.3/11).
- Approval of the document on the juridical nature of forfeiture (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.2/11).
- Suggestion that the Commission instruct the ES to compile the legislative documents and model provisions of different international agencies that deal with different forfeiture systems.
– Recognition of the importance of and the member states' interest in the UNODC's Model Law on In Rem Asset Forfeiture; recommendation to the Commission that it be adopted as a reference model and be included in the compilation and publication of the different models that exist for forfeiture.

– Recognition of the substantial progress made by the BIDAL Project.

– Approval and referral to the Commission of the proposal to develop a Planning Process for the Group of Experts for the Control of Money Laundering.

– Approval and referral to the Commission of the proposed Work Plans for the 2011-2012 period from the CICAD Group of Experts for the Control of Money Laundering.

– Agreement and recommendation that the Commission instruct GELAVEX to work on a proposal for principles and good practices for exchanges of information between FIUs and OFCs, based on the document produced by the delegations of the USA and Mexico and the contributions made by the delegations of Argentina and other countries (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.4/11).

Recommendations to CICAD

• Approve the Group's Final Report
• Recognize the progress made with the Internal Procedures Manual for requesting mutual legal assistance in follow-up and asset recovery (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.3/11).
• Approve the document on the juridical nature of forfeiture (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.2/11) and instruct the ES to compile and publish the different forfeiture models and systems that exist in the Hemisphere.
• Adopt the UNODC Model Law on In Rem Asset Forfeiture as a reference document.
• Approve the proposed Work Plans for the 2011-2012 period from the CICAD Group of Experts for the Control of Money Laundering.
• Approve the proposal for the development of a Planning Process for the Group of Experts for the Control of Money Laundering.
• Approve the following 2012-2013 period candidacies:
  Republic of Argentina (Chair)
  Brazil (Vice Chair)