DRAFT SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Date/Time       Location

Tuesday, November 27, 2012
15:30-17:00     Participant Registration
               Emperador Room
               Hotel La Condesa
               Heredia, Costa Rica

Wednesday, November 28, 2012
07:30 – 09:00   Participant Registration
               Emperador Room
               Hotel La Condesa
               Heredia, Costa Rica

INAUGURAL SESSION

09:00
Welcome remarks by:

- Ambassador Paul Simons,
  Executive Secretary, Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission
  (CICAD) - OAS

- Dr. Rafael Bielsa, Chair, CICAD
  Secretary of State, Secretariat for Programming Drug Abuse Prevention
  and the Fight against Drug Trafficking (SEDRONAR), Presidency of the
  Republic, Argentina

- Her Excellency Laura Chinchilla Miranda
  President of the Republic of Costa Rica

10:00
Break¹

¹ During the break, the official photograph of Heads of Delegation for the fifty-second regular session of CICAD will be taken.
FIRST PLENARY SESSION

10:30 Adoption of the Draft Agenda (CICAD/doc.1968/12) and Draft Schedule of Activities (CICAD/doc.1969/12).

Election of the Commission’s Chair and Vice Chair (Arts. 22 and 23, CICAD Statute).

Remarks by newly elected CICAD Chair

10:45 Report from Ambassador Paul Simons, Executive Secretary, CICAD

11:30 Presentation of the Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM) Inter-governmental Working Group (IWG) Report (CICAD/Doc.1977/12)

- Dr. Mauricio Boraschi, General Coordinator, IWG
- Mr. Juan Gabriel Morales, Deputy General Coordinator, IWG

Objectives: Presentation of the proposed evaluation instrument for the MEM Sixth Round, for the consideration of the Commissioners. This proposal includes the following components: (CICAD/Doc.1977/12)

- The 27 Recommendations (taken from the Plan of Action objectives), on the basis of which countries will be evaluated
- Evaluation Survey
- Handbook on Evaluation Criteria
- Procedural Manual
- Cycle for the Sixth Evaluation Round

13:00 Working lunch with Heads of Delegation – Hotel La Condesa

Topic: “Looking Forward: Thematic Priorities for the Commission”

SECOND PLENARY SESSION

15:00 New Trends in National Drug Policies

Moderator: Dr. Francisco Cumsille, Coordinator, OID-CICAD

Presenters:
- Dr. Rafael Bielsa, Secretary of State, SEDRONAR, Argentina
- Dr. Julio Calzada, Secretary General, National Drug Secretariat, National Drug Commission, Uruguay.
**Objective:** Explain the motives and grounds for, as well as the expected results of, legislative changes regarding drug use in Uruguay and Argentina.

**Key questions:**

1. Ultimate impact of these measures on drug use and trafficking in these countries.
2. What health policies should accompany these new regulations?
3. What law enforcement policies should accompany these new regulations?
4. Possible impact of these measures on the international community.

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**Public Health Approach – Integral Service System for Drug Users**

**Introduction:** Dr. Deisy Corrales, Health Minister, Costa Rica

**Moderator:** Mr. David K. Mineta, Deputy Director, Demand Reduction, Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP)

**Presenters:**
- Dr. Patricia Orozco, Director, IAFA
- Dr. Francisca Florenzano, SENDA
- Mr. Aldemar Parra, Demand Reduction Coordinator, Ministry of Health and Social Protection, Colombia

**Objective:** Identify the key components that should be part of an Integral Service System for Drug Users, taking into account the different countries’ realities regarding the extent to which different elements of the system are integrated, overlap or complement each other and meet the needs of their populations.

**Key questions:**

1. What are the current conditions of the Health Ministries to address the drug abuse phenomena in the Member States?
2. In addition to Health Ministries, what other institutions should be part of an Integral Service System for Drug Users?
3. What are the characteristics of an Integral Service System for Drug Users that currently exist in Member States? (e.g. accessibility, coordination, economy, etc.)
4. What mechanisms would be appropriate for the implementation of policies that promote the integration of services? (For example: human resources training, hiring for treatment services, developing community-based providers, strengthening NGOs that provide prevention and treatment services, etc.)
5. Within the framework of an Integral Service System for Drug Users, what strategies should be implemented to address the promotion of prevention and healthy lifestyles?
6. Within the framework of an Integral Service System for Drug Users, what mechanisms and referral criteria would be most appropriate for patients demonstrating problematic use? (Primary Health Care System, low-threshold community-based providers, etc.)

5. How can CICAD support the development and/or strengthening of the Integral Service System for Drug Users in member states?

17:15

**Presenter:**
- Mr. David K. Mineta, Chair, CICAD Group of Experts on Demand Reduction

17:30
Close of the second session

19:30
Reception for delegations offered by the Government of Costa Rica, National Museum, San Jose (The Government of Costa Rica will provide transportation from the Hotel La Condesa and the Hotel la Herradura to the reception, departing at 18:30)

**Thursday, November 29, 2012**

**THIRD PLENARY SESSION**

09:00

**Comprehensiveness in the Approach to the ‘Drug’ Phenomenon: a Key to Success in the Fight against Drug Trafficking”**

**Presenter:**
- General Oscar Naranjo, Director, Latin American Citizens Institute, Technological System of Monterrey

**Objective:** Demonstrate the comprehensive nature of the drug trafficking phenomenon, which falls within the area of Organized Crime, and which therefore requires a holistic approach, in order to safeguard and improve citizen security.

**Key questions:**
1. Have countries adopted a comprehensive response to Organized Crime? Can we argue that countries—or the region—have developed or implemented comprehensive security systems? Do measurable indicators exist?

**“The Fight against Corruption: Essential Factor in Combating Drug Trafficking”**

**Presenter:**
- Juan Carlos Cubillo Miranda, Assistant Prosecutor, Probity, Transparency and Anti-Corruption, Costa Rica

**Objective:** Indicate the relationship between drug trafficking and its power to corrupt; explore means to confront this phenomenon.
Key questions:
1. Do anticorruption policies exist? Have they been implemented? What do they consist of?
2. What is the role of the international community in achieving results? How do we measure progress?

10:45 Break

11:00 Security and Narcotrafficking: Major Criminal Organizations Operating in Mexico and Central America

Moderator: Dr. Mauricio Boraschi, Vice Minister of the Presidency, Costa Rica

Presenter:
- Mr. Johnny Ezequiel Sempe Alvarado, Head of Processing Department, General Directorate of Civilian Intelligence (DIGICI), Guatemala
- Mr. Sandro Garca Rojas Castillo, Head, Coordinador of International Affairs, Office of the Attorney General, Mexico

Objective: Demonstrate the threats and modus operandi of cartels and other organized groups operating in Central America.

Key questions:
1. Do effective policies exist to combat this type of crime, through international cooperation? Have they been implemented? What do they consist of? How is their impact assessed?
2. Has there been full application of the tools outlined in the Vienna Convention of 1988 and Palermo Convention of 2000?
3. What are the challenges faced in implementing an international judicial cooperation system?
4. Are the institutions responsible for responding to this phenomenon strong?
5. What is the role of the international community in achieving results?

12:00 Forfeiture and Management of Organized Crime Assets

Presenter:
- Mr. Andrés Ormaza, Expert, Legal Assistance Program for Latin America and the Caribbean, UNODC (CICAD/Doc.1978/12).

Guide to Seizure, Forfeiture and Management of Organized Crime Assets

Presenters:
- Nelson Mena, Chief, Money Laundering Section, CICAD
- Dennis Cheng, Director of the BIDAL Project (CICAD/Doc.1974/12).
Synergies between CICAD and the European Union COPOLAD Program in the field of identification and recovery of assets from drug trafficking

**Presenter:**
- Andrés Perez, Coordinator, component 4: “Supply reduction training,” European Union COPOLAD program.

**Objective:** Present the organized crime Forfeiture and Asset Management System programs that have been implemented and developed in member states, as well as regulatory and best practices advances in the identification, recovery and management of the proceeds of drug trafficking and related crimes.

**Key questions:**
1. Which countries in the Americas have developed modern forfeiture systems?
2. How have the BIDAL project and the Executive Secretariat’s technical assistance programs impacted the development of forfeited assets management systems in the hemisphere?
3. How important are assets investigations for the forfeiture of criminal proceeds and how do they impact organized crime?
4. How are the COPOLAD and BIDAL Programs being integrated in order to develop and/or improve systems for the identification and recovery of proceeds from drug trafficking and related crimes?

13:00

Luncheon discussion with Heads of Delegation
OAS Secretary General Jose Miguel Insulza
Topic: Security and Central America

FOURTH PLENARY SESSION

15:00

Amphetamine-type Stimulants and other Synthetic Drugs

**Moderator:** Dr. Francisco Cumsille, Coordinator, OID-CICAD

**Presenters:**
- Dr. Roumen Sedefov, Unit Chief, EMCDDA.
- Mr. John R. Scherbenske, Chief, Synthetic Drugs and Chemicals Section, DEA (CICAD/Doc.1980/12).
- Juan Carlos Araneda, Coordinator, SMART Program Latin America, UNODC/CICAD, (CICAD/Doc.1979/12).

**Objective:** Present an overview of the trafficking, production and use of synthetic drugs at the global level, in Europe, and in the Americas. It is hoped that this presentation will provide countries with improved and up-to-date information on this topic, which will contribute to relevant decision making and implementation of programs. UNODC representatives will present a global
overview of Amphetamine-type Stimulants and other synthetic drugs. EMCDDA officials will present an overview regarding European Union countries, which will speak to the problem of synthetic drugs and other emerging substances in that region. An overview of the Americas, addressing the scope of the problem and the ways in which it is being addressed will also be presented. For each, there will be a discussion of the quality and quantity of information available for decision-making, as well as on the need for more research in this area.

**Key questions:**
1. What is the current situation regarding synthetic drug production, trafficking and use, at the global level, and in key regions?
2. What factors contribute to the appearance of the synthetic drug production and trafficking problem in the Americas?
3. How is the problem of trafficking of precursors for synthetic drug production being addressed in the region?
4. Are laboratories and specialized personnel available in the region to carry out chemical analyses of synthetic drugs?
5. Are trained personnel available to work on controlling synthetic drugs and precursor chemicals?
6. Is reliable information available in countries regarding synthetic drug use and treatment for problematic use? Has enough research been done on this problem in the countries? Discussion regarding the need for early warning systems at the national and regional levels.

16:00  Break

16:15  **Exploring the Relationship between Drugs and Crime in the Prison Populations of Four Caribbean Countries**

**Presenter:**

**Objective:** To report and discuss the results of an exploratory and diagnostic study among prisoners in four countries that sought to investigate the relationship between criminal behavior and drugs.

**Key questions:**
1. What is the methodological basis for this study?
2. What is the extent and patterns of drug use and criminal behavior among prisoners?
3. Has a drugs-crime link been identified? If so, what are the key characteristics?
4. What do the results of this study imply for policy-makers in drug prevention, drug treatment, and criminal justice settings?

**National Urban Renewal Project: Successes and Challenges**

**Presenter:**
FIFTH PLENARY SESSION

09:00 Alternatives to incarceration: Adaptation of Drug Treatment Court Models

Moderator: Alberto Amiot, Visiting Judge, Fellowship Program, CICAD Executive Secretariat.

Presenters:
- Luis Paulino Mora, Chief Justice, Supreme Court, Costa Rica
- Ivor Archie, Chief Justice, Supreme Court, Trinidad and Tobago
- Randall Worrell, High Court Judge of the Supreme Court of Barbados

Objective: Present the advances made by several countries in the development of drug treatment courts. Costa Rica, Trinidad and Tobago and Barbados will present: (1) the institutional process for designing a plan of action, (2) achievements to date, (3) next steps.

Key questions:
1. What obstacles are faced in implementing the model?
2. What solutions and strategies are being adopted?

10:00 Public Policies on Social Integration and Drugs

Moderator: Javier Sagredo, Head, Institutional Strengthening Section-CICAD

Presenters:
- Dr. Julio Calzada, Secretary General, National Drug Secretariat, National Drug Commission, Uruguay.
- Dr. Maureen Clarke, Executive President, National Institute for Women, Costa Rica.

Objectives: Generate a discussion on the need for a perspective focused on people and human development, beyond substances and markets.
Key questions:

1. To address the needs of individuals, families, at-risk groups and communities with problematic connections with drugs, it is necessary to fully understand all of the elements involved in these relationships: personal, environmental, economic, cultural, political, etc. This requires a perspective that takes into consideration the varying relationships people have with drugs (related to production, marketing, trafficking and use), the different actors involved, their significance, and the varying contexts in which they develop. How can countries in the region face this challenge, within the context of existing institutional structures, legal frameworks and current policies? What type of planning should be considered in order to develop policies that better address this situation?

2. Is an effective drug policy promoting social integration possible, given current policies and the limited cooperation and commitment of relevant sectors (health, education, social development, employment, justice, etc.)? How can we encourage greater responsibility among these sectors in responding appropriately to the challenges created by this phenomenon for our citizens and in our communities?

3. How can we eliminate gaps in equality and respect for human rights that persist in the region in some areas related to drug policies, such as the lack of access to adequate treatment, or the precarious state of prison systems in the region?

11:00 Break

11:15 CICAD Expert Groups: Reports and election of Chairs

- Maritime Narcotrafficking Expert Group (CICAD/Doc.1971/12)
- Chemical Substances and Pharmaceutical Products Expert Group (CICAD/Doc.1972/12)
- Control of Money Laundering Expert Group (CICAD/Doc.1973/12)

Objective: Member states’ delegates will consider the Expert Groups’ reports, and are expected to make the following decisions:

1. Consideration of reports.
2. Consideration of other documents presented by the Expert Groups.
3. Consideration of the proposed action plans.
4. Identification of any other issues to be considered.
5. Consideration of member states’ candidacy to host or chair Expert Group meetings (as necessary).

12:15 Remarks by OAS Permanent Observers and by International, Regional and Civil Society Organizations accredited to the OAS.
12:45  Suggested topics, date and place for the fifty-third regular session of CICAD

13:00  Other business

13:15  Closing remarks by Dr. Mauricio Boraschi, Vice Minister of the Presidency, Costa Rica