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BACKGROUND

- Plenary session held in Buenos Aires, Argentine Republic

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- 59 participants

- 24 countries: Argentina, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, United States of America, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Dominican Republic, Saint Kitts & Nevis, Trinidad & Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela.

- Observers: Spain, France.

- International Organizations: GAFISUD
SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS AND WORKING PLAN

– The Comparative Legislation Study of the countries of the Hemisphere and the Policy Guidance for the Creation and Development of Specialized Bodies in the Administration of Seized and Confiscated Assets (CICAD/LAVEX/doc._____) were approved.

– The development of legal frameworks on Confiscation and Sharing of Confiscated Assets of the Dominican Republic and United States of America, respectively, were highlighted as reference models.

– The significant progress made by the countries of the hemisphere as regards the implementation of the Revised FATF Recommendations for the forthcoming development of a new round of mutual evaluations was highlighted.

– The significant legislative progress made by the Argentine Republic as regards compliance with FATF recommendations and the mutual evaluation was highlighted.

- The document of Best Practices Recommended for the Coordination and Integration of Financial Intelligence Units and Criminal Investigation Agencies in the Use and Protection of Information by Financial Intelligence Units (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.____) was approved.

- The Study on Comparative Legislation of the Policies that Establish and Regulate the Information Exchange among Financial Intelligence Units and Criminal Investigation Agencies was introduced (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.____).

- The Sub-Working Group of Financial Intelligence Units and Criminal Investigation Agencies was requested to continue working on the document of Recommendations for the Identification and Analysis of Risk Factors Associated to Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing at the Hemispheric Level.

- It was suggested to put the approval of the Working Plans proposed for the 2012-2013 period by the Experts Group for the Control of Money Laundering of the CICAD to the Commission for its consideration (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.____).
Recommendations to the CICAD

• To approve the Group's Final Report.
• To approve the Comparative Legislation Study of the countries of the Hemisphere and the Policy Guidance for the Creation and Development of Specialized Bodies in the Administration of Seized and Confiscated Assets (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.____).
• To approve the Document on the implementation of Assets Confiscation Systems and Mechanisms to Share Confiscated Assets (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.____).
• To approve the document of Best Practices Recommended for the Coordination and Integration of Financial Intelligence Units and Criminal Investigation Agencies in the Use and Protection of Information by Financial Intelligence Units (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.____).
• To approve the Working Plans proposed for the period 2012-2013 by the CICAD Experts Group for the Control of Money Laundering (CICAD/LAVEX/doc.____)
• To approve the nominations for the period 2012-2013 of:
  ü Republic of Brazil (Presidency)
  ü Oriental Republic of Uruguay (Vice Presidency)