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Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD)
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1. RECOGNIZE the significant contributions made by the Declaration of Antigua, Guatemala "For a Comprehensive Policy Against the World Drug Problem in the Americas" and the Guatemala Resolution: “Reflections and Guidelines to Formulate and Follow Up on Comprehensive Policies to Address the World Drug Problem in the Americas”, which represent the beginning of a new paradigm to place the human being, not a substance, as the focus of the efforts in the development of policies to address the world drug problem in the Americas.

2. Invite the Member States to maintain an open, broad and inclusive debate, based on scientific evidence and in accordance with the three international drug control conventions and other relevant international legal instruments; and to promote discussions on approaches to address the world drug problem in the hemisphere, and thus allow the exchange of good practices and lessons learned as inputs for the special session of the General Assembly of the UN, which will be focused on this issue in 2016. (Paragraph 100 Res.2014);

3. Encourage member states to actively participate in the preparation of the Plan of Action 2016-2020, which will be approved in the fifty-eighth regular session of CICAD in November 2015, and will be based on a change in paradigm, which should be reflected in the Plan, together with an allocation of financial resources for its implementation and execution.

4. Reaffirm the value of the Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM) as a valid tool to evaluate drug control policies in the Hemisphere and use, when appropriate, the results of the Sixth Evaluation Round as an input for the Working Group responsible for drafting the new Plan of Action 2016-2020;

5. Recognize the necessity of strengthening national drug strategies and policies, placing human beings as their focus, and using new approaches based on knowledge and scientific evidence, in order to contribute to the design and implementation of the Plan of Action 2016-2020;

6. Encourage member states to implement the recommendations emanating from the Working Group on Alternatives to Incarceration; from the First Sub-Regional Forum for Mexico, Central America and The Dominican Republic on “The Public Health Approach to Address Drug Problems” and; from the meeting held in Mexico on the structural causes, triggers and multiple factors that contribute to violence and crime, such as the world drug problem; so that these recommendations can be used as inputs for the drafting of the Hemispheric Plan of Action on Drugs 2016-2020;

7. Also encourage member states to exchange information, collected data, knowledge and scientific evidence on the results of the implementation of new illicit substance policies and controls, and instruct CICAD to work with national authorities of member states, when requested, to analyze the impact of these policies on the regional efforts to address the world drug problem.
8. Invite member states to continue strengthening National Observatories on Drugs, or similar entities, and relationships with academic and research entities, in order to increase the quantity and quality of knowledge on the drug problem, so that their public policies are developed or implemented with real basis in scientific evidence, and to incorporate the evaluation of these policies as an integral component;

9. To endorse the Work Plan of the CICAD Executive Secretariat for 2015, in accordance with the CICAD Statutes and in fulfillment of the Hemispheric Drug Strategy and the Plan of Action 2011-2015, and entrust the Executive Secretariat to execute the corresponding actions and continue offering technical assistance to build capacities in member states;

10. To instruct the General Secretariat to continue offering the CICAD Executive Secretariat the necessary financial support and to encourage member states, permanent observers and other international donors to continue providing voluntary contributions to allow the Secretariat to continue executing its mandates.