DRAFT SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Date/Time        Place

Tuesday, April 28, 2015

15:30-17:00     Registration of Participants
                Padilha Vidal Meeting Room
                Terrace Level
                OAS General Secretariat Building
                1889 F St NW
                Washington, DC 20006

Wednesday, April 29, 2015

08:00 – 09:00    Registration of Participants
                Padilha Vidal Meeting Room

INAUGURAL SESSION

09:00

Welcoming remarks by:

- Héctor Mauricio López Bonilla
  Minister of the Interior, Guatemala
  Chair of CICAD

- Michael Botticelli
  Director of National Drug Control Policy
  United States of America

- José Miguel Insulza
  Secretary General, OAS

10:00    Break
FIRST PLENARY SESSION

10:30 Adoption of the Draft Agenda (CICAD/doc.2163/15.rev1) and Draft Schedule of Activities (CICAD/doc.2164/15.rev1).


11:00 Report on Drug Use in the Americas, 2015, CICAD/OAS (CICAD/doc.2180/15)
Presenter: Francisco Cumsille, Coordinator, Inter-American Observatory on Drugs, CICAD-OAS (CICAD/doc.2179/15).

Objective: An analysis that presents the state of the drug problem in the hemisphere, highlighting trend evaluation, where possible, and its implications in drug policies, based on the most updated available information (mostly from 2012 to 2014).

Presenter: Emilia Ramírez Alfaro, Assistant Coordinator, Governmental Experts Group (GEG), head of the Precursor Control Unit of the Costa Rican Drug Institute (ICD) (CICAD/doc.2177/15).

Objective: To present the draft Hemispheric Report of the MEM Sixth Evaluation Round for approval.

13:00 Lunch
- Héctor Mauricio López Bonilla, Minister of the Interior, Guatemala
- José Miguel Insulza, Secretary General, OAS
- Heads of Delegation


SECOND PLENARY SESSION

15:00 Panel 1: Reflections on Alternatives to Incarceration
Panelists:
- Jennifer Goldstone, Head, National Anti-Drug Strategy, Department of Justice, Canada.
- Adriel Dermont Brathwaite, Attorney General and Minister of Home Affairs, Barbados.
- Arthur G. Wyatt, Chief Narcotic and Dangerous Drug Section, U.S. Department of Justice.

Alternatives to Incarceration for Drug-Related Offenses: Presentation of the Technical Report and Next Steps (CICAD/doc.2170/15).
• Javier Andrés Flórez Henao, Deputy Minister of Criminal Policy and Restorative Justice (a.i.), Director of Drug Policy and Related Activities, Colombia
• Rodrigo Uprimny, Legal Technical Coordinator, Working Group on Alternatives to Incarceration

Moderator: Rodrigo Vélez, Executive Secretary, CONSEP, Ecuador (To be confirmed)

Objective: This session has three components: (1) to continue discussion on the experience of some Member States, from the point of view of professionals and authorities who deal directly with this issue. (2) To fulfill the commitment set forth during CICAD 56 and present the Technical Report on Alternatives to Incarceration for Drug-Related Crimes, in which a detailed menu of options is presented to Member States; and (3) To agree on next steps by the ES/CICAD to consolidate this effort.

16:30 Plan of Action 2016-2020 of the Hemispheric Drug Strategy
Presenter: Juan Pablo Ríos, Chair of the Working Group, Ministry of the Interior, Guatemala.

Objective: Present the results of First Meeting of the Working Group to prepare the Plan of Action 2016-2020, and timeline for 2015.

17:00 Prevention of Social Ills as a Means to Address the World Drug Problem
Presenter: Isaac Morales, Assistant General Director for Development Challenges, External Affairs Secretary, Mexico.

Objective: To discuss the advantages of strengthening actions to address the drug problem, taking into account the most visible social consequences caused by this phenomenon in the hemisphere. Particularly, by addressing violence, the breakdown of the social fabric, exclusion and the lack of conditions for the integral development of the individual in social environments affected by the drug chain.

17:45 Close of Second Session

18:30 Reception offered for delegations by the Mission of Canada and the Executive Secretariat of CICAD.
Location: Embassy of Canada, 501 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20001
THIRD PLENARY SESSION

09:00  Asset Recovery Networks: The Importance of Adequate Information Exchange Regarding Asset Forfeiture (CICAD/doc.2174/15).


Objective: To promote timely and secure informal information exchange among OAS Member States on individuals, corporations and assets to facilitate illicit asset recovery.

10:00  Panel 2: New Psychoactive Substances – A Growing Challenge in the Americas (NPS).

Panelists:
- Javier Andrés Flórez Henao, Deputy Minister of Criminal Policy and Restorative Justice (a.i), Director of Drug Policy and Related Activities, Colombia.
- Sergio Berni, Security Secretary, Argentina

Moderator: Justice Tettey, Chief Laboratory and Scientific Section, Research and Trend Analysis Branch, UNODC.

Objective: To present an overview of the trafficking, production and consumption of new psychoactive substances at the global level, including presentations focused on the situation in the Americas. This session will hopefully contribute to the development of more updated information on these substances in Member States, which will play an important role in decision-making and implementation of important policies and programs on this issue.

11:00  Break

11:15  Presentation of results of the Side-Event with Civil Society

Presenter: Raquel Barros, Executive Secretary, American Network for Intervention in Situations of Social Suffering, RAIISS.

11:30  Training and certification of human resources for the treatment of drug abuse and dependency: Advances and challenges.

  Presenter: Georgia T. Karuntzos, RTI International, Vice President of the Behavioral Health Research Division.
• Specialized training for drug treatment providers working with high risk adolescents in the Caribbean
  **Presenter:** Esther Best, National Drug Council, Trinidad and Tobago

• Toxic Adulterants added to Drugs of Abuse and their Implications for Child and Adolescent Drug Use in the Hemisphere (CICAD/doc.2167/15).
  **Presenter:** Thomas M. Browne, Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), U.S. Department of State

**Moderator:** Alexandra Hill, Chief, Demand Reduction Section, SE/CICAD

**Objectives:**
1) Present the results of the Evaluation of the PROCCER Program carried out in two Central American countries, as a hemispheric model for training and certification of human resources that provide treatment and rehabilitation services for persons affected by drug use and related violence. 2) Highlight the experience of the specialized training to address current drug use related problems of high-risk adolescents in the Caribbean. 3) Inform Member States about the public health implications and threats related to drug adulterants throughout the hemisphere and world.

**13:00**
**LUNCH**

**FOURTH PLENARY SESSION**

**14:30**
**Perspectives from the Vice Chair of CICAD**
  **Presenter:** Alberto Otárola, Executive President DeVida, Peru.

**15:00**
“Medical Marijuana: Highs, Hypes and Hopes”
  **Presenter:** Ruben Baler, Health Scientist with the Science Policy Branch, National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) (CICAD/doc.2176/15).

**Objective:** To provide a review of the best science available for the use of medical marijuana. The presenter will address the latest scientific evidence for the use marijuana and other cannabinoids for medical purposes, which ailments are most likely aided and the strengths and limitations of this type of intervention.

**16:00**
**Panel 3: Use of Evidence in Designing Regulated Systems**
  **Panelists:**
  • Beau Kilmer, Co-Director, RAND Drug Policy Research Center
  • Augusto Vitale, Institute for Regulation and Control of Cannabis representing the National Drug Secretariat, Presidency of the Republic, Uruguay.
  • Manuel Mondragón y Kalb, National Commissioner against Addictions (CONADIC), Mexico.
Moderator: Vitore André Zilio Maximiano, Secretary of National Drug Policy, Brazil (SENAD), Brazil.

Objective: The effects of regulation, from the economic, legal and especially the public health points of view, were discussed during CICAD 56. Different market scenarios currently being implemented for various substances were presented. The discussion of this topic is still ongoing in several countries. In this session, the need of data generation and use in policy and regulatory framework design will be highlighted.

17:30 Close of Fourth Session

Friday, May 1, 2014

FIFTH PLENARY SESSION

09:00 Reflections on drug consumption decriminalization policies

Presenters:
- Brendan Hughes, Principal scientific analyst, national legislation, ELDD Supply reduction and new drugs unit, European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA).
- Milton Romani, Secretary General, National Drugs Board, Uruguay

Objective: To reflect on drug consumption decriminalization policies from its different dimensions. These policies are currently being debated in diverse fora. As well as reflecting on these issues, this session will address the experiences of Portugal and Uruguay.

10:30 Panel 4: Institutional Developments in Social Integration and Drugs in the Americas

Panelists:
- Francisca Oblitas, Advisor, Social Integration Section, National Service for Drug and Alcohol Prevention and Rehabilitation (SEnDA), Chile (CICAD/doc.2171/15).
- Rosina Tricánico, Coordinator, Department of Social Integration, National Drugs Board (JND), Uruguay (CICAD/doc.2172/15).
- Darío Garrubia, Undersecretary, Administrative Coordination, SEDRONAR, Argentina.


Objective: Presentation on institutional management structures on social integration related to the drug issue. To present developments in the consolidation of institutional experiences and lessons learned on the evaluation of social integration and drugs. To discuss in depth the need to strengthen social
integration strategies related to drugs in the Hemisphere, as well as challenges presented by human development objectives. To provide guidance to countries on the construction of public policies on social integration and drugs, based on experience.

12:00 Update on CICAD Smokable Cocaine Project  
**Presenter:** Marya Hynes, Specialist, ES/CICAD

**Objective:** To present an update on the Project’s different components and how these can impact policies on this issue in the Southern Cone.

12:45 Presentation of the 2015 Work Plan- Executive Secretariat of CICAD  
**Presenter:** Ambassador Paul Simons, Executive Secretary, CICAD

13:15 LUNCH

SIXTH PLENARY SESSION


14:45 Interventions permanent observers to the OAS, and International, Regional Organizations and Civil Society accredited to the OAS.

16:00 Topics, dates and location of the fifty-eighth regular session of CICAD.

Other business

16:30 Closing Remarks:
- CICAD Chair
- Adam Blackwell, Secretary of Multidimensional Security, OAS