Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM)

Information on Supply Reduction, Trafficking and Related Crimes
MEM - Background

- 1998 – Established by the Second Summit of the Americans in Santiago, Chile
- Country leaders turned the concept of multilateral evaluation into a mandate
MEM - Background

- Hemispheric tool to evaluate the progress on drug policies in member states (MS)
- Built on mutual trust, dialogue, and hemispheric cooperation
- 6 Evaluation Rounds have been completed and we are in the middle of the 7th round
MEM – Characteristics

- Governmental and objective process
- Transparent and impartial peer review
- Constructive process without sanctions
- Evaluation rounds
- Unique evaluation process

- All evaluations are conducted in a collective manner by all MS
- All MS evaluate and are evaluated
- No country participates in its own evaluation
- Constantly improving with time
MEM – Main Objectives

- Achieve full implementation of CICAD’s Hemispheric Drug Strategy (HDS) and the objectives and priority actions of its Plan of Action (PoA)

- PoA has 5 chapters: Inst. Strengthening; Demand Red; Supply Red; Control Measures and Int’l Cooperation

- Measure individual and collective progress of MS

- Encourage the development of technical assistance and of training, experiences, and best practices
Measures the progress of the MS across the 7 Rounds

MS, through their National Coordinating Entities, collected the nat. information to be evaluated

MS designated their national experts to the Governmental Expert Group (GEG)

GEG carried out its analysis, resulting in national evaluation reports on drug policies

During the evaluation process, the draft reports were submitted to the MS for their comments/updates

Draft reports were approved during CICAD-65
MEM – Evaluation Reports

- Each round, the MEM produces national and hemispheric evaluation reports that measure the performance of antidrug measures in MS.
- Detail the drug situation in each member state.
- Reflect the key areas in which MS should improve their drug efforts.
- Identify the areas that need assistance.
- All the evaluations are conducted at the same time.
MEM – GRAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- Improves dialogue and national coordination, increasing international cooperation
- Encourages communication among national institutions that have information on this material
- Gives all MS the opportunity to collaborate equally on the evaluation process
- Provides supporting national information to advance development on drug policies
- Identifies national strengths, challenges, and weaknesses in drug policies
Objective 4:
Establish and/or strengthen nat. observatories on drugs (or similar technical offices) for the development of nat. drug information systems and fostering scientific research in this area.

Priority Action 4.3:
Development of nat. and/or reg. drug studies and research on the drug problem on gral, specific and hidden populations by the observatory and/or other similar technical institutions, encouraging disaggregation x gender and age, among others.
MEM requested MS to inform if they have information for the 2014-2018 period, including the year of the most recent information.

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Number of **laboratories** producing illicit **plant-based** drugs detected and dismantled

33 Participating States

- **11** Yes
- **22** No

North America

- **1** Yes, **2** No

Central America

- **5** Yes, **1** No

South America

- **2** Yes, **7** No

Caribbean

- **14** Yes, **1** No
Number of **laboratories** producing illicit **synthetic** drugs detected and dismantled

- **33 Participating States**
  - **13** laboratories
  - **20** laboratories

- **North America**
  - **3** laboratories
  - **4** laboratories

- **Central America**
  - **2** laboratories
  - **4** laboratories

- **South America**
  - **5** laboratories
  - **4** laboratories

- **Caribbean**
  - **12** laboratories
  - **3** laboratories
### Seizure operations and Quantities seized

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FINDINGS – INFORMATION
SUPPLY RED, IDT/RELATED CRIMES

**Charged and Convicted** Persons (Cont.)

- # of persons formally charged with trafficking in firearms, explosives, ammunition and related materials: 16
- # of persons convicted of trafficking in firearms, explosives, ammunition and related materials: 16
- # of persons formally charged with diversion of chemical substances: 23
- # of persons convicted of diversion of chemical substances: 24

**Countries**
- Yes: 17
- No: 17, 10, 9
Quantification of **illicit crop cultivation** including crops grown indoors

- **33 Participating States**
  - **22** states responded Yes
  - **11** states responded No

- **North America**
  - **2** states responded Yes
  - **1** state responded No

- **Central America**
  - **3** states responded Yes
  - **3** states responded No

- **South America**
  - **2** states responded Yes
  - **7** states responded No

- **Caribbean**
  - **4** states responded Yes
  - **11** states responded No
**Chemical composition** of seized drugs

33 Participating States

- Yes: 15
- No: 18

North America

- Yes: 3
- No: 2

Central America

- Yes: 4
- No: 2

South America

- Yes: 8
- No: 1

Caribbean

- Yes: 13
- No: 2
**Sale price** of drugs (for consumers)

- **33 Participating States**
  - 18 Yes
  - 15 No

- **North America**
  - 3 Yes
  - 3 No

- **Central America**
  - 3 Yes
  - 3 No

- **South America**
  - 5 Yes
  - 4 No

- **Caribbean**
  - 7 Yes
  - 8 No
Examples of published reports

Available at: https://bit.ly/2Lix6ur
THANK YOU

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