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DRAFT SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Date/Time

Location

Tuesday 8th December 2020

15:00 – 18:00 Participant Registration Tequendama Hotel, Bogota, Colombia

Wednesday 9th December 2020

07:30 – 09:30 Participant Registration Tequendama Hotel, Bogota, Colombia

INAUGURAL SESSION

Salon Rojo, Tequendama Hotel, Bogota, Colombia

09:30

Opening remarks

- Kirsten D. Madison, Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State of the United States of America - CICAD Chair
- Adam E. Namm, Executive Secretary, CICAD/OAS
- Arthur Weintraub, Secretary, Secretariat for Multidimensional Security/OAS
- Luis Almagro, Secretary General, General Secretariat of the OAS
- Claudia Blum, Minister of Foreign Relations, Colombia - CICAD Vice Chair

10:30

BREAK

FIRST PLENARY SESSION

10:45

Adoption of the Draft Agenda (CICAD/doc.2536/20) and Draft Schedule of Activities (CICAD/doc.2537/20)

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

Remarks:

- Arthur Weintraub, Secretary, Secretariat for Multidimensional Security/OAS
- Adam E. Namm, Executive Secretary, CICAD/OAS

Remarks from the newly elected CICAD Chair

11:30 **OAS Hemispheric Drug Strategy 2020 (CICAD/doc.2534/20) and its Hemispheric Plan of Action on Drugs 2021-2025 (CICAD/doc.2533/20)**

Objective: Consideration and approval of the final drafts of the Hemispheric Drug Strategy 2020 of the Organization of American States (OAS) and its Hemispheric Plan of Action on Drugs 2021-2025.

12:00 **Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM) – Inter-Governmental Working Group (IWG) Report**

Presenter: Bobby Chauhan, IWG Chair. Manager, International Unit, Health Canada

Objective: Consideration and approval of the IWG report (CICAD/doc.2547/20) and the instruments for the MEM eighth evaluation round (CICAD/doc.2535/20).

12:30 **Experiences of the “Path of the Future” Policy: Colombia 2020**

Presenter: Javier Augusto Sarmiento, Deputy Minister of Criminal Policy and Restorative Justice, Ministry of Justice and Law, Colombia

Objective: Share the progress of the Comprehensive Policy to Address the Drug Problem: “Path of the Future”, highlighting main experiences of the country in each of its pillars.

13:00 **LUNCH (Colombia will provide lunch for delegates in the Tequendama Hotel, Salon Monserrate y Guadalupe, 17th Floor)**

SECOND PLENARY SESSION

14:30 **Panel 1: National Strategies and their Alignment with the OAS Hemispheric Drug Strategy 2020**

Panelists:

- Charmaine Hippolyte Emmanuel, Coordinator, Substance Abuse Advisory Council Secretariat, Saint Lucia

- Eduardo Loyola Arguello, Executive Director, National Anti-Drug Commission, El Salvador

Moderator: Edward Croft, Director, Office of National Drug and Money Laundering Control Policy, Antigua and Barbuda

Objective: *Examine the efforts of various member states to create and/or update their respective national drug strategies, and how they are being aligned with the OAS Hemispheric Drug Strategy.*

16:00

Panel 2: The Local Drug Markets in the Region: From Traditional Small-Scale Drug Dealing to Micro-Trafficking via the Internet

Panelists:

- Andrés Bernardo Molina Vivas, Responsible for the Strategy Against Local Drug Trafficking and Small-Scale Drug Dealing, Directorate of Criminal Investigation and Interpol, National Police, Colombia
- Rufus Ferdinand, Deputy Director of Operations, Joint Regional Communications Centre, Caribbean Community Implementation Agency for Crime and Security (CARICOM IMPACS)
- Eduardo Flores, Chief, Police Investigation Department of Drug Trafficking in Small Quantities, Investigations Police, Chile

Moderator: Fredy Anzueto Villatoro, Executive Secretary of the Commission against Addiction and Illicit Drug Trafficking (SECCATID), Guatemala

Objective: *Address the problem of small-scale drug dealing in the region through traditional means, as well as new challenges posed by the growing online sale of drugs in small quantities.*

17:30

End of session

Thursday 10th December 2020

THIRD PLENARY SESSION

09:30 Demand Reduction Strategies with a Human Rights and Gender Approach

Presenters:

- Luis González, Head of the Comprehensive Health Care Area, and Gabriela Olivera, Advisor on Gender Issues, National Drug Secretariat, Uruguay
- Bobby Chauhan, Manager, International Unit, Health Canada
- Ignacia Páez, Manager, Ministry of Public Health, Ecuador

Objective: Present experiences in the implementation of demand reduction strategies with a human rights and gender approach, in prevention and treatment programs as well as strategies aimed at populations in conflict with the law as well as vulnerable populations.

10:30 Promotion of Social Capital in Areas Affected by Illicit Crops or Local Drug Markets

Presenters:

- Office of the Presidential Advisor for Stabilization and Consolidation, Presidency of the Republic, Colombia
- Ronaldo Laranjeira, Coordinator, Alcohol and Drug Research Unit, Paulista School of Medicine, Federal University of Sao Paulo, Brazil
- Cyllan Gillead, Corporal, Special Investigations Unit (SIU), Trinidad and Tobago Police Service

Objective: Regions impacted by the cultivation and/or sale of illicit psychoactive substances frequently suffer from a lack of social capital. This presentation explores possible approaches to change this dynamic via catalyzing human development.

11:30 Panel 3: New Trends, Threats, and Best Practices to Counter Illicit Maritime, Land, and Aerial Drug Trafficking

Panelists:

- Juan Carlos Jiménez Howard, Captain, Director Against Drugs, Colombian Navy
- Zair Mundaray Rodríguez, Head of Legal Affairs, Embassy of Venezuela in Colombia
- Matthew Donahue, Deputy Chief of Operations, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), United States
- José de Gracia, Assistant Director, Criminal Networks Division, INTERPOL

Moderator: Marcela Ortiz Bonilla, General Assistant Director, Costa Rican Drug Institute (ICD, by its Spanish acronym), Costa Rica

Objective: Present the new trends and emerging threats related to illicit drug trafficking by sea, land, and air, as well as good practices to counter it.

Friday 11th December 2020

FIFTH PLENARY SESSION

09:30 Overview of Drug Trafficking's Value Chain System

Presenters:

- Liz Cuadros, Chief, International Center for Strategic Studies against Drug Trafficking of the National Police (CIENA, by its Spanish acronym), Colombia
- Laura Castro, Local Coordinator, Integrated Illicit Crops Monitoring System, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

Objective: Explain the main characteristics of drug trafficking's value chain networks, which are created by drug trafficking criminal organizations to profit through the illicit production, manufacture, and/or sale of drugs in the region.

10:30 Panel 6: Innovative Strategies in Alternatives to Incarceration and the Criminal Justice System

Panelists:

- Gillian Lucky, Magistrate, Trinidad and Tobago
- Kofi Barnes, Judge, Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Canada
- Douglas Marlowe, Senior Scientific Consultant, National Association of Drug Treatment Courts
- Mario Sergio Sobrinho, Criminal Justice Prosecutor, Public Ministry of the State of Sao Paulo, Brazil

Moderator: Jeffrey Zinsmeister, ES-CICAD

Objective: Share information about innovation in the area of alternatives to incarceration in a variety of judicial/linguistic/cultural contexts across the Hemisphere, examining successful initiatives and challenges for the future, such as the impact of COVID-19 on such programs.

12:00 Experiences and Competitive Challenges in Systems and Control Models for Secure and Informed Access to Cannabis and other Controlled Substances for Medical and Scientific Purposes

Presenters:

- Cassandra Taylor, Head of Cannabis Working Group, Food and Drug Administration (FDA), United States
- Efraín López Amarís, Advisor, Directorate of Drug Policy and Related Activities, Ministry of Justice and Law, Colombia

Objective: Analyze the experiences and challenges of competitiveness in the regulated market of medicinal cannabis facing control mechanisms contemplated in the 1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs.

13:00 **LUNCH** (Colombia will provide lunch for delegates in the Tequendama Hotel, Salon Monserrate y Guadalupe, 17th Floor)

SIXTH PLENARY SESSION

14:30 **CICAD Executive Secretariat Work Plan 2021**

Presenter: Adam E. Namm, Executive Secretary, CICAD

Objective: Presentation of the CICAD Executive Secretariat Work Plan 2021 for consideration and approval by CICAD.

15:00 **Report from the Technical Working Group on Supply Indicators**

Presenter: Marya Hynes, Chief, Inter-American Observatory on Drugs, CICAD

Objective: Inform the CICAD Commission on decisions taken by the technical working group and its work plan.

15:30 **Reports of CICAD Experts Groups and election of authorities 2020-2021:**

- Colombia, Demand Reduction Experts Group Chair
- Dominican Republic, Maritime Narcotrafficking Experts Group Chair
- Chile, Chemical Substances and Pharmaceutical Products Experts Group Chair
- Peru, Comprehensive and Sustainable Alternative Development Expert Group Chair

16:00 **Remarks by OAS Permanent Observers and by international, regional, and civil society organizations accredited to the OAS**

17:00 **Sixty-ninth CICAD Regular Session**

17:15 **Closing remarks**

17:30 **End of session**