

**RECOMMENDATION 1:****FINALIZE AND APPROVE THE NATIONAL ANTI-DRUG PLAN**

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that in September 2000, the National Anti-Drug Masterplan was completed and was accepted and adopted on October 30, 2000 by the Cabinet of the Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis. It also reports that the Plan was officially presented to CICAD/OAS on January 25, 2001.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 2:**SIGN AND RATIFY THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS AND THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION AGAINST CORRUPTION. RATIFY THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION AGAINST THE ILLICIT MANUFACTURING OF AND TRAFFICKING IN FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER RELATED MATERIALS**

The country reports that:

- The Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters was signed on September 18, 1997, and ratified on January 19, 2000.
- The Inter-American Convention Against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Ammunition, Explosives, and Other Related Materials has been signed, but not ratified. It is hoped that it will be ratified by the second quarter of 2002.
- The Inter-American Convention Against Corruption has not been signed or ratified. However, its legal ramifications are being studied. It is hoped that this process will be completed by the second quarter of 2002.

CICAD recognizes the progress made and encourages Saint Kitts and Nevis to continue with the necessary efforts to fulfill the target dates for the pending signature and ratifications.

RECOMMENDATION 3:**CONTINUE AND FINALIZE THE UPDATE OF EXISTING LAWS AND REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUE OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, MONEY LAUNDERING AND FIREARMS, WITH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS**

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that it has finished updating existing legal and regulatory provisions addressing issues related to drugs, money laundering, and trafficking in firearms.

The National Drug Council, the Ministry of Health, and Ministry of Legal Affairs are working on draft legislation to regulate precursor chemicals, pharmaceuticals, and other controlled chemical substances.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 4:**EXPAND "DRUGS IN THE WORKPLACE" PROGRAMMES IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND DEVELOP THESE FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR**

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that the National Drug Council has been developing an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) designed for the public sector, and hopes subsequently to extend it to



the private sector. It also adds that complete implementation of this program is planned for the first quarter of 2002.

CICAD recognizes Saint Kitts and Nevis' efforts and encourages the country to continue with the implementation of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 5:

ESTABLISH GUIDELINES ON MINIMUM STANDARDS OF CARE FOR DRUG TREATMENT

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that implementation of the guidelines to which this recommendation refers will begin in the second quarter of 2002 and that it has taken steps to ensure that this recommendation is initiated and developed within the established timeframe.

The country identifies the lack of trained human resources and financial constraints as substantial problems that have delayed full implementation of this measure. To overcome the difficulties identified, Saint Kitts and Nevis has sought technical and financial assistance from some regional and international financial institutions.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 6:

EXPAND EARLY DETECTION, OUTREACH, REHABILITATION AND SOCIAL REINTEGRATION PROGRAMMES

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that it plans, as of the second quarter of 2002, to expand the programs to which this recommendation refers and that various activities are being carried out in order to ensure that they are initiated and developed.

The country identifies limited human and financial resources as substantial problems delaying implementation of the recommendation.

CICAD recognizes the efforts made by the country and encourages Saint Kitts and Nevis to continue with the implementation of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 7:

EVALUATE AND DETERMINE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF DEMAND REDUCTION PROGRAMMES

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that the National Drug Council is working on a program to evaluate and determine the efficacy of demand reduction programs. Implementation of this program is planned for the second quarter of 2002.

CICAD recognizes Saint Kitts and Nevis' efforts and encourages the country to continue with the implementation of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 8:

ESTABLISH A MECHANISM TO GATHER DATA TO DETERMINE THE PREVALENCE OF DRUG USE IN THE GENERAL POPULATION, THE AGE OF FIRST USE OF ANY ILLEGAL DRUG, AND DRUGS USED, AND THE ANNUAL INCIDENCE OF NEW DRUG USERS

The National Drug Council of Saint Kitts has developed a project to conduct wide-ranging,



nationwide epidemiological research on the drug world, execution of which is planned for the second quarter of 2002.

CICAD recognizes Saint Kitts and Nevis' efforts and encourages the country to continue with the implementation of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 9:

DESIGN AND IMPLEMENT ESTIMATION AND CONTROL MECHANISMS TO IMPROVE THE CAPACITY TO SEIZE ILLICIT CROPS

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that the Royal Saint Kitts and Nevis Police Force has created a national drug surveillance unit known as the Anti-Narcotics Unit (ANU), which will make it possible to develop mechanisms for estimating and controlling illicit crops.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 10:

DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT SURVEILLANCE MECHANISMS TO FACILITATE THE ERADICATION OF ILLICIT DRUG CULTIVATION

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that the Royal Saint Kitts and Nevis Police Force has created a national drug surveillance unit known as the Anti-Narcotics Unit (ANU), which will make it possible to monitor and eradicate illicit crops.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 11:

ESTABLISH A NATIONAL BODY RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTROLLING AND PREVENTING THE DIVERSION OF PHARMACEUTICALS

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that the Ministry of Health has formed a national advisory body, prior to the official launching of the National Drug Council, in charge of regulating the pharmaceuticals which are imported into the country. It also indicates that on the last quarter of 2002, the National Drug Council will carry on the preceding functions.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 12:

TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO ESTABLISH A MECHANISM FOR NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL INFORMATION EXCHANGES ON CONTROLLED CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES AND PHARMACEUTICALS

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that it has signed and ratified the international instruments, which are part of the respective international enforcement system. It has also adopted a series of laws for the implementation of such international instruments.

Additionally, the country reports that the National Drug Council and the Ministries of Health and Legal Affairs have been working on legislation to regulate precursor chemicals, pharmaceuticals and other controlled chemical substances.



CICAD recognizes Saint Kitts and Nevis' efforts and encourages the country to continue with the implementation of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 13:

STRENGTHEN THE APPLICATION OF 1988 VIENNA CONVENTION, ISSUING PRE-EXPORT NOTIFICATIONS FOR CONTROLLED CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that it has established a system to issue pre-export notifications for controlled chemical substances. To that end, national legislation and regulations have been adopted to strengthen the implementation thereof. Additional support mechanisms are proposed for the second quarter of 2002.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 14:

DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT THE NECESSARY LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE FRAMEWORK TO PREVENT THE DIVERSION OF CONTROLLED CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that measures have been taken to implement national laws and regulations fully and that additional support mechanisms are proposed for the second quarter of 2002.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 15:

CREATE A REGISTER AND/OR DATABANK TO IDENTIFY THE NUMBER OF SEIZURES, OPERATIONS, PERSONS ARRESTED, CHARGED AND CONVICTED FOR ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFICKING OFFENCES

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that a system is currently in place to identify the number of seizures, operations, and persons arrested, charged and convicted for illicit drug trafficking offences. It has also approved that the Geographical Information System (GIS) be incorporated into the drug surveillance and control mechanism.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 16:

ESTABLISH A MECHANISM TO IDENTIFY THE ORIGINS OF OR ROUTING EMPLOYED IN THE DIVERSION OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER RELATED MATERIALS

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that a mechanism is in place to identify the origins of or routing employed in the diversion of firearms, ammunition, explosives and other related materials.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

**RECOMMENDATION 17:****ESTABLISH INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO INVESTIGATE AND PROSECUTE OFFENSES INVOLVING THE MANUFACTURE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING OF FIREARMS**

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that an international cooperation mechanism is in place for the investigation and prosecution of offenses involving the manufacturing and illicit trafficking of firearms. The National Joint Headquarters (NJHQ) was established in August 2000.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION 18:**DEVELOP THE CAPACITY TO ESTIMATE THE HUMAN, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC COST OF THE DRUG PROBLEM**

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports that activities are in progress to develop the capacity to estimate the human, social and economic cost of the drug problem. As part of the system, the country already has in place the information regarding the number of officials working in the respective areas of demand reduction, supply reduction, and control measures.

It also reports that a system is currently being developed to estimate the social, direct health, and economic cost of the drug problem. Its implementation is planned for the first quarter of 2002.

CICAD concludes that for this recommendation to be implemented, it will be necessary to devise a project addressing the methodological bases for conducting a study of the social, human, and economic costs of the drug problem.

Accordingly, in the first half of 2002 CICAD, together with states in the Hemisphere that have progressed in this area, will present a proposed basic and homogeneous methodology applicable to all countries.

FINAL COMMENT

Saint Kitts and Nevis reports progress in the fulfillment of the majority of its recommendations from the Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM) First Evaluation Round. The Governmental Expert Group (GEG) wishes to make a special acknowledgment to Saint Kitts and Nevis for its progress in the full compliance of its recommendations. This shows the country's will to make all possible efforts to fight the drug problem in the areas of supply, demand, strengthening information mechanisms, control measures and others.

Additionally, CICAD encourages Saint Kitts and Nevis to finish the implementation of recommendations process in the timeframe established by the country.

