**RECOMMENDATION 1:****RATIFY THE UN CONVENTION AGAINST TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME AND THE THREE RELATED PROTOCOLS TO THE ABOVEMENTIONED UN CONVENTION.****PUBLICATION DATE: JANUARY 2003**

El Salvador reports that the internal procedures for ratification of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and its three supplementary protocols were completed in October 2003. The country deposited the respective instruments of ratification with the United Nations on March 18, 2004.

CICAD expresses its satisfaction with the implementation of this recommendation.

**RECOMMENDATION 2:****REITERATE THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FIRST EVALUATION ROUND 1999-2000 TO RATIFY THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON MUTUAL ASSISTANCE ON CRIMINAL MATTERS.****PUBLICATION DATE: JANUARY 2001  
REITERATION DATE: JANUARY 2003**

El Salvador reports that the Legislative Assembly is currently studying ratification of the Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance on Criminal Matters, and that it does not have a timeframe for ratification.

CICAD urges the country to adopt the measures necessary for the effective implementation of this recommendation if possible, by the end of 2004, as it was assigned to the country during the First Evaluation Round 1999-2000.

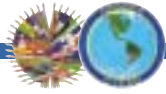
**RECOMMENDATION 3:****EXTEND COVERAGE OF THE PREVENTION SYSTEM TO INCLUDE OTHER KEY POPULATIONS NOT PRESENTLY COVERED.****PUBLICATION DATE: JANUARY 2003**

El Salvador reports that, within a broad inter-institutional framework, both public and private entities are developing prevention activities targeting different populations in the context of the national anti-drug strategy.

Among groups that may be cited as beneficiaries of these interventions are: the education sector, both teachers and students, parents, the workforce, and government, military, and prisons; this has made it possible to achieve broad coverage.

The country has developed coordinated activities for which international support was provided. El Salvador indicates that it requires technical and financial assistance, equipment and training.

CICAD expresses its satisfaction with the implementation of this recommendation.



## CONCLUSIONS

El Salvador has completed procedures for ratification of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and its three supplementary protocols. It has also carried out drug abuse prevention activities in the public and private sectors.

The ratification of the Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters, which had been recommended in the First Evaluation Round, is pending.

CICAD expresses to El Salvador its satisfaction with the progress made and encourages it to make the efforts necessary for full implementation of the pending recommendation.