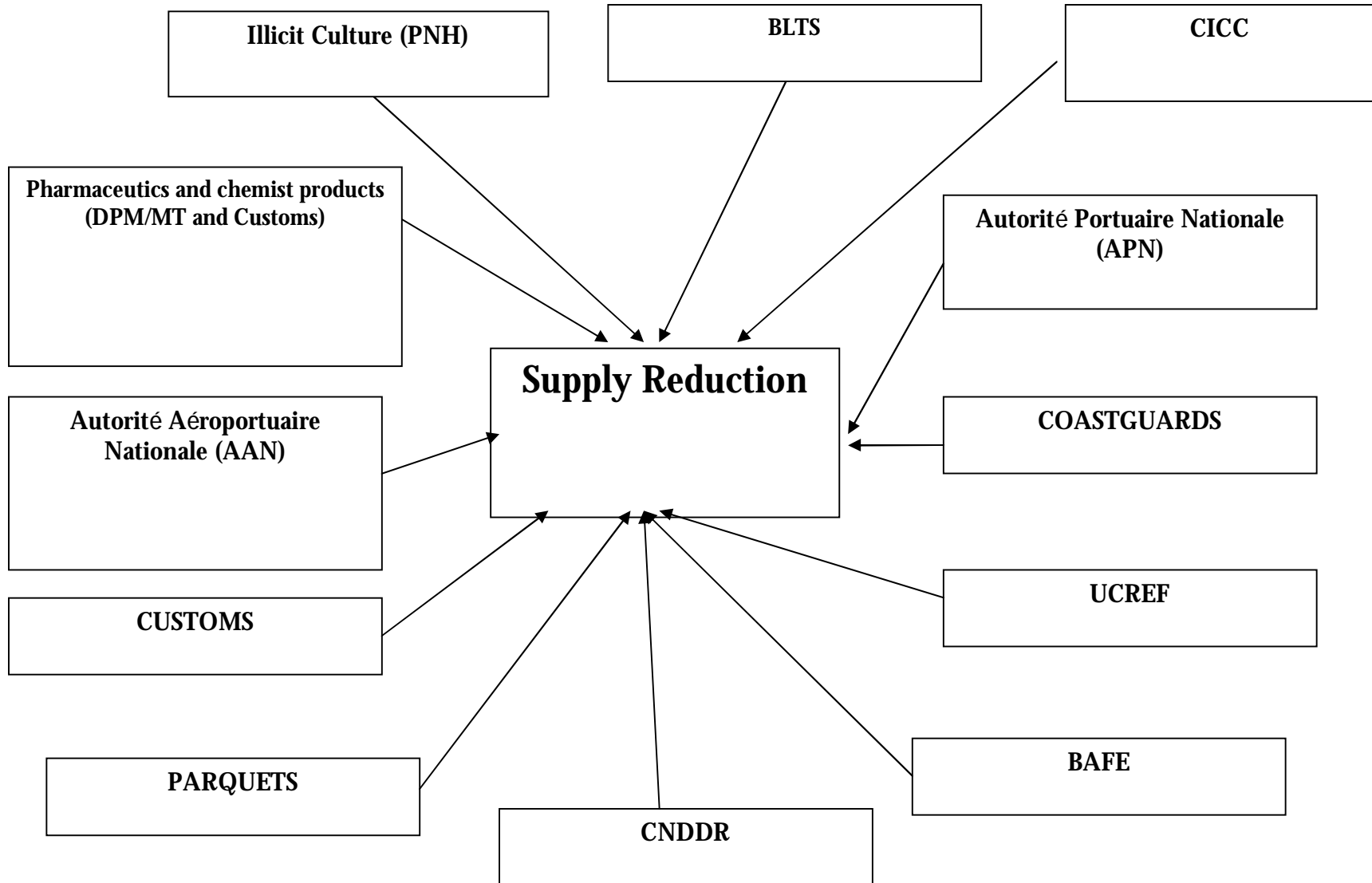


Drug situation in Haiti

Map

Supply's Structure



For geographical, economic and social reasons, Haiti faces a high level of criminal activity. Due to its geographical location, the country is generally viewed as a transit point for drug trafficking between South America and North America. And Trafficker change always tactics to deceive the vigilance of officials.

A. Illicit Culture

According to reports not yet verified and analyzed in depth, there is a new trend that would suggest the existence of some fields of marijuana in the departments of Southeast, south, Artibonite and particularly in the Grand'Anse (Southwest).

During an exploratory visit of a delegation from Conald in the department of Grand'Anse (southwest), we have made a panorama of the drug problem in the peninsula (January , 2008).

According to some information provided by some notable encountered during this brief visit, it seems that the culture of marijuana is present or observed in this department. Very recently, a field has been discovered and plants have been destroyed. (pictures)

B. Traffic

B.1 Maritime space

Haiti does not have sufficient ways of controlling its maritime space and its borders. In May 2008, on basis of international cooperation Haiti has received from United States four (4) boats. Currently, according to the new mission of the MINUSTAH in Haiti, it should help us in the fight against drugs. In this case, It promised us a donation of sixteen (16) boats, that could be very useful for the country. But until today, nothing (donation) is really operational.

B.2 Airspaces

Small planes (Cessna) continue to use frequently some clandestine landings strip. Recently, two runways had been destroyed by the Haitian authorities. However, for lack of resources like radar, helicopter, Airplane for a strict monitoring, a lot of work left to be done then we are very vulnerable.

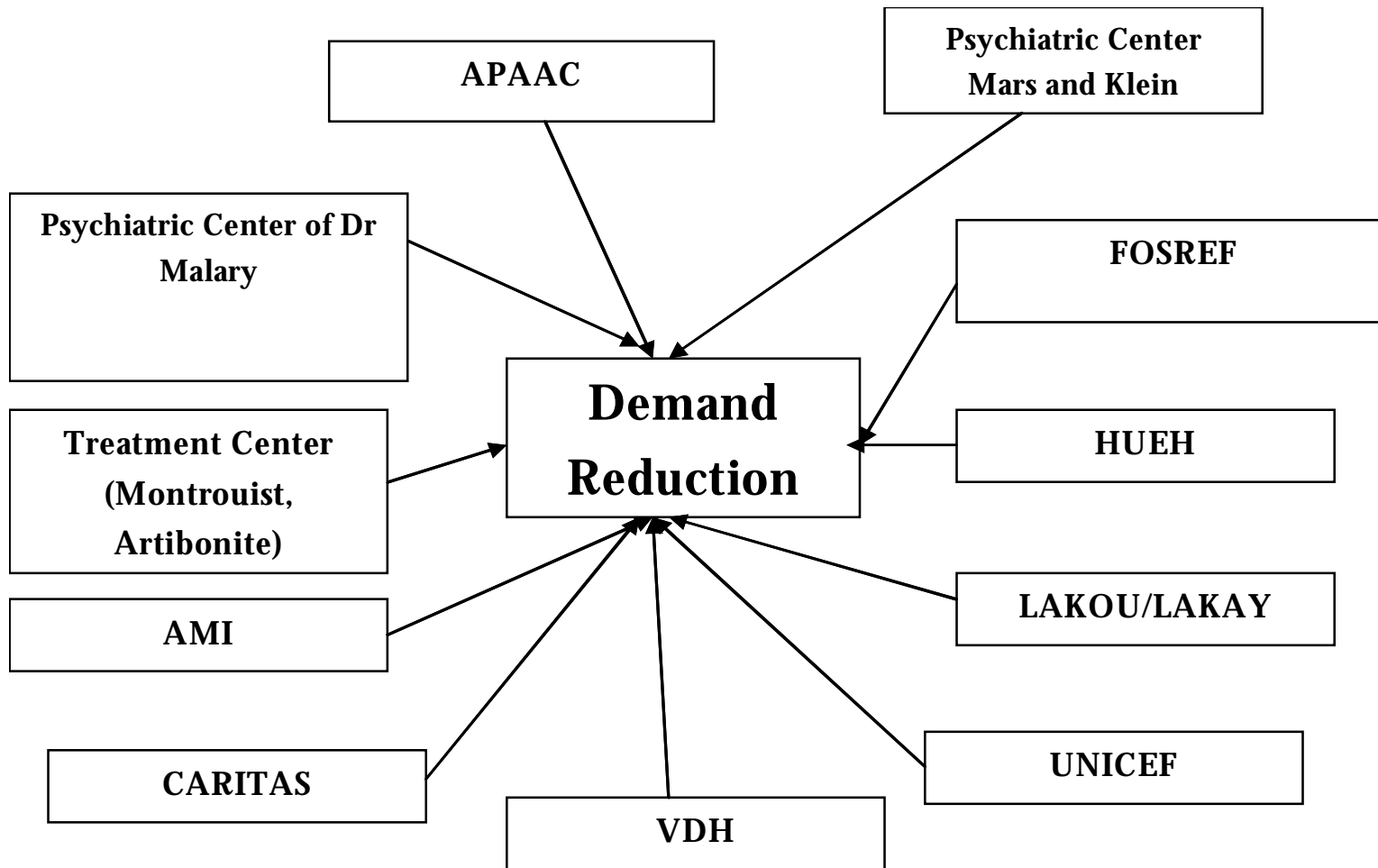
B.3 Land Area

Two police dogs were purchased by the Haitian government and placed in the Guy Malary International Airport to monitor passengers' luggage. Unfortunately, one of them is dead meanwhile for the other it must be underlined that the maintenance is so expensive, that it is a thorny issue for the responsible of the “Office for the Fight against Drug Trafficking” (BLTS).

B.4 Firearms

There are some islands like “Iles K-ramiers” in front of St Louis du Sud and Ile à Vache (South)” where some foreign traffickers from some neighbor islands have a certain form of influence. They are more equipped than us and then took advantage of encouraging the marijuana culture and to make exchange of firearms against marijuana with some Haitian.

Demand's Structure



Conclusion

The “ Centre d’Information et de Coordination Conjointe (CICC)” part of Ministry of Interior repertoried 26 clandestine landing runways for the delivery of drugs at 6 departments and 17 ports opened to any type of trade on (May, 2007).

Finally, to recapitulate, during the last 18 months, the authority has processed at the seizure of more of 500 kg of cocaine, 800 kg of marihuana, 11 vehicles and about twenty firearms (large-bore weapons). About 150 people have been arrested for infraction relative to drugs. Some well-known traffickers have been arrested by the justice, among them 17 were reclaimed by some close countries. Some clandestine landings strip have been identified and destroyed by the authority. This is the situation of Drug in Haiti.







Thank You.

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