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DRAFT SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Date/Time

Place

Tuesday, November 1, 2011

15:30-17:00	Registration of Participants	San Martín Palace Buenos Aires, Argentina
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Wednesday, November 2, 2011

07:30 – 09:00	Registration of Participants	San Martín Palace Buenos Aires, Argentina
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INAUGURAL SESSION

09:00	Welcome remarks by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Chandrikapersad Santokhi, Senator, National Assembly of the Republic of Suriname, Chair of CICAD • Mr. José Miguel Insulza Secretary General of the Organization of American States (to be confirmed) • Her Excellency Cristina Fernández de Kirchner President of the Republic of Argentina (to be confirmed)
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FIRST PLENARY SESSION

10:00	Adoption of the draft Agenda (CICAD/doc.) and the draft Schedule of Activities (CICAD/doc.). Election of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Commission (Arts. 22 and 23 of the CICAD Statute) Remarks by the newly elected authorities
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- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 **25th Anniversary of CICAD and a view to the future.** Ambassador Paul Simons, Executive Secretary of CICAD.
- After the presentation, there will be a brainstorming session among the Commissioners, guided by the following questions:*
- What have been the most important achievements of CICAD over the last 25 years?*
- What is the comparative advantage CICAD has over bilateral or global initiatives?*
- Which of CICAD's initiatives have had the greatest impact on your policies or institutions?*
- What has been the most significant achievement of CICAD in your country?*
- What expectations do you have for the work of the new Executive Secretary?*
- 11:45 Current situation of drug use in the Hemisphere and future challenges. Dr. Francisco Cumsille, Coordinator, Inter-American Observatory on Drugs (OID), CICAD.
- 12:15 Design and implementation of the Argentine Observatory on Drugs, Diego Álvarez and Graciela Ahumada, Argentina.
- 12:45 Lunch
- SECOND PLENARY SESSION**
- 14:45 Presentation of the COPOLAD Programme
- Institutional perspective by Mrs. Teresa Salvador, Programme Coordinator
 - Experience/Development of the programme in partner countries. Argentina
 - Perspective of collaborating international organizations. CICAD.
- 15:30 **Future operation of the MEM**
- Introduction by Co-Chair of the MEM Review Contact Group, Daniel Cuzzolino.
- Discussion on the new procedures for the MEM:
- What is the most important benefit that your country has derived from the MEM process?*
- Which are the most important elements of the MEM process that should be preserved in any restructuring exercise?*

Could the structure of the MEM groups (GEG, IWG) be simplified in order to streamline the organization?

How can we improve policy analysis in the 4 main thematic areas of the MEM (institutional strengthening, demand, supply, control)?

Would “in situ” visits help strengthen the process?

How can we preserve the valuable multilateral characteristic of the process while moving toward fewer, shorter meetings?

How could the questionnaire be simplified in order to focus more on issues more relevant for countries?

16:30

Break

16:45

Report on the First Session on the Implementation of Recommendations of the Governmental Expert Group (GEG) of the Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM), Mr. Carlos Murallas, GEG General Coordinator.

17:15

Drug control initiatives carried out in The Bahamas, The Honorable Tommy Turnquest, Minister of National Security of The Bahamas

18:00

Reception and musical performance offered by the Government of the Republic of Argentina, Salón de los Espejos, San Martín Palace

Thursday, November 3, 2011

THIRD PLENARY SESSION

09:00

Report of the CICAD Expert Group on Demand Reduction

09:25

Report of the CICAD Expert Group on Maritime Narcotrafficking

09:50

Report of the CICAD Expert Group on Chemical Substances and Pharmaceutical Products

10:15

Report of the Expert Group on Money Laundering

10:40

Report on the Meeting of Coordinators of the Drug Information System in Caribbean states

- 11:00 Break
- 11:15 Smokable cocaine in South America, Presentation, by the Delegation of Brazil
- 12:00 Training and Certification Programme – PROCER - Caribbean, by Mrs. Esther Best, Manager, National Drug Council of Trinidad and Tobago.
- 12:30 Lunch

FOURTH PLENARY SESSION

- 14:30 First Diagnostic Study on Narcotrafficking in the Salta Province.
- 15:00 UNODC System for the control of chemical precursors (*National Drug Control Software, NDS*).
- 15:30 Manual of best practices for the control of chemical precursors, essential chemicals and non-regulated chemical substances susceptible for use in the preparation of amphetamine-type stimulants (ETA), Mexico
- 16:00 Break
- 16:15 Presentation of the publication “Systems for the Administration of Assets of Latin America and Guide for the Administration of Seized and Forfeited Assets from Organized Crime”, Dr. Isidoro Blanco, Professor, University of Alicante
- 15:00 Interventions by OAS Permanent Observers, and by International, Regional and Civil Society Organizations accredited to the OAS

Friday, November 4, 2011

FIFTH PLENARY SESSION

- 09:00 Drug Treatment Courts (Drug Courts)
- Panel headed by The Honourable Mr. Justice Kofi Barnes Chair of the Canadian Association of Drug Treatment Court Professionals (CADTC) and – Judge, Ontario Court of Justice; and Mr. West Huddleston (CEO of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals – NADCP –, USA).
 - Link between health systems and the administration of justice in demand reduction, (Mexico).
 - Presentation by the Delegation of Chile.
 - Presentation by the Delegation of Jamaica.

10:30

Break

10:45

Facing Challenges

Implementing a more efficient Commission

Exchange of ideas, in response to the following questions:

Looking towards the future, based on the new Hemispheric Drug Strategy and Plan of Action, how should CICAD prioritize its activities?

How should CICAD embark on the challenge of obtaining funds in a restricted budgetary climate?

Which programmes would you wish to see strengthened by CICAD and the Executive Secretariat? Which CICAD activities would you wish to see modified or eliminated?

How can we make the most of ties with the private sector, foundations, and civil society in order to enhance our organization?

After 25 years, which modifications to the CICAD statute might be warranted?

Should CICAD hold two meetings a year, or would it be preferable to have one meeting of CICAD Commissioners only?

The possibility of establishing working groups, integrated by Principal Representatives, to address specific topics?

Should we broaden our meetings to include countries from Africa or Asia, depending on the subject?

How can we improve our coordination with the UN agencies?

What specific messages would you would like to convey to the new Executive Secretary of CICAD?

12:15

Suggested topics, date and place for the fifty-first regular session of CICAD

12:30

Other business

13:00

Closing remarks, Ambassador Adam Blackwell, Secretary for Multidimensional Security of the OAS

13:45

Press Conference