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OPENING SESSION
30th ANNIVERSARY OF THE GELAVEX

June 30, 2020
INAUGURAL SESSION

10:00-10:20 INNAUGURATION AND WELCOME ADDRESS:

Javier Augusto Sarmiento Olarte, Deputy Minister of Crime Policy and Restorative Justice of the Ministry of Justice and Law of Colombia, y Chair of the Group of Experts for the Control of Money Laundering (GELAVEX).

Luis Almagro, Secretary General of the OAS.

Master of Ceremonies: **Gastón Schulmeister**, Director of the Department against Transnational Organized Crime (DTOC) of the OAS.

SECOND SESSION

10:20-10:30 Approval of the agenda and review of the topics.

Technical Secretariat led by Nelson Mena, Legal Specialist OAS Department against Transnational Organized Crime (DTOC).

Sub-working Group presentations and possible considerations regarding the subjects discussed and the post COVID-19 context.

10:30-10:45 **Sub-working Group on Forfeiture and International Cooperation.** Progress report: Study on the applicability of precautionary measures on assets forfeited overseas. Sub-working Group co-coordinators, Costa Rica and Colombia.

10:45-11:15 Discussion and proposals

11:15-11:30 **Sub-working Group on Forfeiture and International Cooperation.** Progress report: the conceptualization and design of a network of managers of seized and forfeited assets. Sub-working Group co-coordinators, Costa Rica and Colombia.

11:30-12:00 Discussion and proposals



THIRD SESSION

Technical Secretariat led by John Grajales, Technical Specialist, OAS Department against Transnational Organized Crime (DTOC).

- 14:00-14:15** **Sub-working Group on Financial Intelligence Units and Law Enforcement Agencies.**
Progress report: Normative study on Politically Exposed Persons (PEP) in the region.
Sub-working Group co-coordinators, Chile and Colombia.
- 14:15-14:45** Discussion and proposals
- 14:45-15:00** **Sub-working Group on Financial Intelligence Units and Law Enforcement Agencies.**
Progress report: Study of typologies of money laundering derived from smuggling.
Sub-working Group co-coordinators, Chile and Colombia.
- 15:00-15:30** Discussion and proposals

FOURTH SESSION

- 15:30-15:40** **CLOSING SESSION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:**

Farah Urrutia, Secretary for Multidimensional Security.

- 15:40-16:00** Proposals for the final report
Conclusions and recommendations of the Group of Experts
Other matters



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SPECIAL SESSION

July 16, 2020

FIFTH SESSION

Special Session on cooperation in investigations and procedures related to corruption, tax crimes and associated money laundering.

This Special Session is held as a follow-up to the Lima Commitment –Mandates 37 and 44 - within the framework of the XLVIII Meeting of the Group of Experts for the Control of Money Laundering (GELAVEX) of the OAS, with the support of the Department against Organized Crime Transnational (DTOC), GELAVEX Technical Secretariat; and the Summits Secretariat, as Technical Secretariat and institutional memory of the Summits of the Americas Process.

In April 2018, the Heads of State and Government of the Western Hemisphere agreed by consensus, at the Eighth Summit of the Americas, to carry out an ambitious agenda to address corruption and democratic governance in the region. The "Lima Commitment: Democratic Governance against Corruption" establishes 57 mandates, to be implemented by the States participating in the Eighth Summit with the collaboration of international and regional organizations that make up the Joint Summit Working Group (JSWG).

11:00-11:10 WELCOME ADDRESS:

Javier Augusto Sarmiento Olarte, Deputy Minister of Crime Policy and Restorative Justice of the Ministry of Justice and Law of Colombia, y Chair of the Group of Experts for the Control of Money Laundering (GELAVEX).

Farah Urrutia, Secretary for Multidimensional Security.

María Celina Conte, Interim Director of the Secretariat of Summits of the Americas.

11:10-11:25 Presentation - Tax Fraud: Investigation techniques and associated money laundering in the post COVID-19 context. Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

11:25-11:40 Discussion and proposals.



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11:40-11:55 Presentation - Misappropriation of emergency funds: legal structures to hide stolen property. **Yara Esquivel Soto**, Senior Financial Sector Specialist at the World Bank.

11:55-12:10 Discussion and proposals.

12:10-12:25 Presentation - Transparency in the international exchange of tax information. Tax policy and administration measures in the COVID-19 context. **Márcio F. Verdi**, Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Center of Tax Administrations (CIAT).

12:25-12:40 Discussion and proposals.

12:40-13:00 Round of Conclusions

Led by the Chair and Vice Chair of GELAVEX; and **Gastón Schulmeister**, Director of the Department against Transnational Organized Crime (DTOC) of the OAS.

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