

#### **RECOMMENDATION 1**

## REITERATE THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FIRST EVALUATION ROUND 1999-2000 TO SIGN AND RATIFY THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION AGAINST CORRUPTION

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Antigua and Barbuda informs that the Inter-American Convention Against Corruption has been ratified on December 12, 2003.

CICAD expresses its satisfaction that Antigua and Barbuda has implemented this recommendation.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 2**

REITERATE THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FIRST EVALUATION ROUND 1999-2000 TO RATIFY THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION AGAINST THE ILLICIT MANUFACTURING AND TRAFFICKING IN FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER RELATED MATERIALS (CIFTA)

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Antigua and Barbuda informs that it has ratified this Convention, in accordance with the recommendation and has deposited its instruments of ratification on March 12, 2003 and the instrument has been deposited with the Secretary General of the Organization of American States within the same month.

CICAD views with satisfaction the fulfillment of this recommendation.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 3**

# SIGN AND RATIFY THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION AGAINST TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME OF 2000 AND ITS COMPLEMENTARY PROTOCOLS

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Antigua and Barbuda informs that the Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime has been signed on September 26, 2001 and was ratified on July 24, 2002. However, the adoption of the Complementary Protocols remains outstanding.

CICAD recognizes progress made by Antigua and Barbuda in ratifying the Convention and encourages the signing and ratification of the three Protocols.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 4**

# DEVELOP AN INTEGRATED SYSTEM FOR COLLECTION, ANALYSIS AND MAINTENANCE OF DRUG STATISTICS AND INFORMATION

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Antigua and Barbuda reports that a draft document is being developed. It has obtained funds to develop this recommendation from the European Union through a project that will last five years.

The country also recognizes that more assistance is required in terms of financing of technical equipment. It also mentions the need of support for the maintenance of the project.



CICAD recognizes that progress made and encourages Antigua and Barbuda to develop an integrated system to fulfill this recommendation.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 5**

REITERATE THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FIRST EVALUATION ROUND 1999-2000 TO DEVELOP A STUDY TO GATHER INFORMATION ON DRUG MISUSE INCLUDING THE ANNUAL INCIDENCE, PREVALENCE, PATTERNS OF USE AND TYPES OF DRUGS WITHIN THE KEY OR GENERAL POPULATION, AS APPROPRIATE

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Antigua and Barbuda informs that it has implemented a National School Drug Survey, the results of which are not available. Assistance was sought and received from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) to interpret the data.

CICAD urges Antigua and Barbuda to fulfill the reiterated recommendation, if possible, by the end of 2004.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 6**

#### DEVELOP MINIMUM STANDARDS OF CARE FOR DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT

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Antigua and Barbuda has provided extensive information regarding institutional care but did not respond to this recommendation.

CICAD urges Antigua and Barbuda to comply with the development of minimum standards of care for drug abuse treatment.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 7**

# STRENGTHEN AND INTEGRATE THE COLLECTION OF DRUG RELATED STATISTICS BY INCORPORATING DATA ON ILLICIT CROP CULTIVATION AND ERADICATION

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Antigua and Barbuda informs that the Royal Police Force in collaboration with the Coast Guard, and the Office on the National Drug Control & Money Laundering Policy Office are responsible for carrying out this function. In 2002, 9 persons were arrested for cultivation of cannabis and 4,540 plants were seized, while in 2003, 12 persons were arrested and 7,203 plants seized.

CICAD recognizes progress made with this recommendation.



## **RECOMMENDATION 8**

IMPLEMENT A MECHANISM THAT PERMITS EVALUATION OF THE EFFICIENCY OF THE MECHANISMS TO REGULATE THE DIVERSION AND THE USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS AND CONTROLLED CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES

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Antigua and Barbuda has placed the responsibility for implementing this evaluation mechanism on the Board of Drug Inspectors. In addition, the country drafted a Food and Drug Act as well as Regulations to the Pharmacy Act. These drafts have been completed and when these are enacted, the Board of Drug Inspectors will have more control to implement a mechanism.

Antigua and Barbuda has provided extensive information regarding regulation and diversion on the use and distribution of pharmaceutical products and controlled chemical substances.

CICAD encourages Antigua and Barbuda to work towards the full implementation of this recommendation.

## **RECOMMENDATION 9**

REITERATE THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FIRST EVALUATION ROUND 1999-2000 TO ESTABLISH A SYSTEM FOR RECEIVING AND REPLYING TO PRE-EXPORT NOTIFICATIONS

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Antigua and Barbuda has indicated that legislation exists to deal with this recommendation. The country also informs that within 60 days of the receipt of a pre-export notification the Ministry of Health responds. No permission is given to export unless signed by the Chief Medical officer. Wholesalers and importers of pharmaceutical products are notified in respect of the control placed on precursor chemicals and know that permission to import should be first sought.

CICAD urges Antiqua and Barbuda to fully implement this reiterated recommendation.

#### **RECOMMENDATION 10**

REITERATE THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE FIRST EVALUATION ROUND 1999-2000 TO ESTABLISH MECHANISMS TO RECORD SPECIFIC DATA ON THE NUMBER OF ADMINISTRATIVE OR REGULATORY SANCTIONS APPLIED BY SUPERVISORY AGENCIES TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS OR JUDICIAL SANCTIONS

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Antigua and Barbuda informs that to date the Supervisory Authority has not found it necessary to sanction any financial institution since there have been no cases of any institution failing to file reports. The country also reports that, at present the Supervisory Authority has in place a data base specifically for the recording of any such data, if when the need arises.

CICAD recognizes progress made by Antigua and Barbuda but urges the country to fulfill this reiterated recommendation.



## **CONCLUSIONS**

CICAD views with satisfaction that three of ten recommendations have been completed by Antigua and Barbuda and encourages the country to sign and ratify the three Protocols that form part of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime of 2000.

CICAD is concerned that Antigua and Barbuda did not provide information regarding drug misuse in a key population (school based) or the general population, and information is also lacking as to how the two main institutions on the island will develop minimum standards of care for drug abuse treatment.