

**RECOMMENDATION 1:****INCORPORATE AN EVALUATION SYSTEM INTO THE NATIONAL ANTI-DRUG PLAN THAT MAKES IT POSSIBLE TO ANALYZE, MONITOR, AND INTERPRET INFORMATION ON THE PROCESS, EFFECTS, AND IMPACT OF INTERVENTIONS IN DEMAND AND SUPPLY REDUCTION AND CONTROL MEASURES**

Saint Lucia reports that the incorporation of an evaluation system into the National Anti-Drug Plan, making it possible to analyze, monitor, and interpret information on the process, effects and impact of intervention in demand and supply reduction and control measures has not commenced. There is, however, a designated programme coordinator to implement this evaluation system.

CICAD notes that a coordinator has been appointed but urges Saint Lucia to proceed with implementing this recommendation as soon as possible.

**RECOMMENDATION 2:****ACCEDE TO THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION OF 1971**

Saint Lucia reports that it has ratified the UN Convention of 1971 on the August 3, 1990. The substantial problems identified in the course of implementing this Convention were the collection of accurate data and fulfilling prescribed timeframes.

CICAD expresses its satisfaction on the implementation of this recommendation.

**RECOMMENDATION 3:****RATIFY THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION AGAINST THE ILLICIT MANUFACTURING OF AND TRAFFICKING IN FIREARMS, AMMUNITIONS, EXPLOSIVES, AND OTHER RELATED MATERIALS**

Saint Lucia reports that it has ratified the Inter-American Convention against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Ammunitions, Explosives and other Related Materials.

CICAD expresses its satisfaction on the fulfillment of the recommendation by Saint Lucia, but requests that relevant data be submitted to support the information provided.

**RECOMMENDATION 4:****SIGN AND RATIFY THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION AGAINST CORRUPTION AND THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS**

Saint Lucia reports that specific acts of parliament precedent to the signing and ratification of the Inter-American Convention against Corruption and the Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters are at different stages of passage through Parliament. The Inter-American Convention against Corruption Act is at present in draft and under consideration. The Inter-American Convention on Mutual Legal Assistance was passed through the Extradition Act, which came into force in 2000.

Saint Lucia reports that as a further step towards fully implementing the recommendation, a bill is at present being drafted.

CICAD recognizes the efforts of Saint Lucia and encourages the country to continue in its efforts to fully implement the recommendation.

**RECOMMENDATION 5:****ESTABLISH REGULATIONS ACCORDING TO INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS OR AGREEMENTS AND CICAD MODEL REGULATIONS FOR THE CONTROL OF CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES**

Saint Lucia reports that regulations have been established according to international conventions or agreements and CICAD Model Regulations for the control of chemical substances.

CICAD expresses its satisfaction on the fulfillment of this recommendation, but requests that relevant data be submitted to support the information provided.

**RECOMMENDATION 6:****DEVELOP AN INTEGRATED SYSTEM FOR THE COLLECTION, ANALYSIS, AND MAINTENANCE OF STATISTICS AND DOCUMENTS AS AN IMPORTANT TOOL FOR NATIONAL EFFORTS AGAINST THE DRUG PHENOMENON IN ALL ITS ASPECTS**

Saint Lucia has reported that an integrated system for the collection, analysis and maintenance of statistics and documents as an important tool for national efforts against the drug phenomenon in all its aspects, is being developed. The system would take the form of a control unit with full responsibility for the range of activities mentioned. Saint Lucia has indicated that meetings are being held with relevant stakeholders for finalizing the setup of the systems.

Saint Lucia has stated the need for technical, material, training and other resources to bring about standards within its system.

CICAD recognizes the efforts made by the country and encourages it to fully implement this recommendation as soon as possible.

**RECOMMENDATION 7:****ESTABLISH A SYSTEM TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE MAGNITUDE OF DRUG CONSUMPTION, WHICH WOULD INCLUDE ITS PREVALENCE AMONG HIGH-RISK GROUPS, AND ANNUAL INCIDENCE OF NEW DRUG USERS**

Saint Lucia has advised that this recommendation has not been implemented and that a project has been scheduled for commencement in February 2002 and is expected to be completed by August 2002.

CICAD notes the intended plan of action and encourages the country to fulfill the recommendation by its scheduled date.

**RECOMMENDATION 8:****EXPAND "DRUGS IN THE WORKPLACE" PROGRAMS TO INCLUDE THE PUBLIC SECTOR**

Saint Lucia reports that "Drugs in the Workplace" programs have not commenced due to constraints in the availability of resources. However, a planning committee is being put in place, technical expertise is being sought to set up the program and financial assistance is also required to make it viable.

CICAD notes the steps being taken by Saint Lucia and encourages the country to fully implement this recommendation as soon as possible.

**RECOMMENDATION 9:****IMPLEMENT MECHANISMS FOR ASSESSING THE EXTENT OF ILLICIT CANNABIS CULTIVATION**

Saint Lucia reports that steps have not been taken towards the implementation of this recommendation.

CICAD urges Saint Lucia to take the necessary steps to fully implement this recommendation.

**RECOMMENDATION 10:****SYSTEMATIZE THE MECHANISM FOR ASSESSING LEGITIMATE NEEDS FOR PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS AND CONTROLLED CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES**

Saint Lucia has reported that a mechanism for assessing the legitimate needs for pharmaceutical products and controlled chemical substances is in the process of being systematized and that this project by its very nature will be an on-going one. Substantial problems are being encountered in the areas of training and availability of equipment, relevant software and instruments. Saint Lucia has identified the need for greater internal coordination in the implementation of this recommendation.

CICAD recognizes the efforts made by Saint Lucia and encourages the country to complete the recommendation as soon as possible.

**RECOMMENDATION 11:****ESTABLISH ADMINISTRATIVE, CIVIL, AND PENAL SANCTIONS FOR THE DIVERSION OF PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS AND CONTROLLED CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES**

Saint Lucia reports that the establishment of administrative, civil, and penal sanctions for the diversion of pharmaceutical products and controlled chemical substances has not started.

CICAD urges commencement of action towards fulfillment of this recommendation.

**RECOMMENDATION 12:****STRENGTHEN COORDINATION AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL SO AS TO EXPEDITE REPLIES TO PRIOR NOTICES OF THE EXPORT OF CONTROLLED CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES ORIGINATING ABROAD**

Saint Lucia reports that the strengthening of coordination at the national level so as to expedite replies to prior notices of the export of controlled chemical substances originating abroad is in progress.

CICAD notes the country's report and encourages that there be full compliance with this recommendation. However, CICAD requests that relevant data be submitted to support the information provided.

**RECOMMENDATION 13:****ESTABLISH A SYSTEM FOR RECORDING AND MAINTAINING INFORMATION ON THE EVENTUAL MANUFACTURE OF FIREARMS, EXPLOSIVES AND RELATED MATERIALS AND A MECHANISM FOR THE IDENTIFYING THE ORIGIN OF SEIZED FIREARMS, AND MONITORING THE ROUTES EMPLOYED IN THEIR DIVERSION**

Saint Lucia reports that no steps have been taken to establish a system for recording and maintaining information on the manufacture of firearms, explosives and related materials and establishing a mechanism for the identifying of the origin of seized firearms, and for monitoring routes employed in their diversion.

CICAD reiterates that steps be taken to implement this recommendation.

**RECOMMENDATION 14:****ESTABLISH A MECHANISM OR BODY SPECIFICALLY CHARGED WITH HANDLING AND ADMINISTERING ASSETS SEIZED AND CONFISCATED FROM ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFICKING**

Saint Lucia has not indicated whether or not a mechanism has been established as required by this recommendation.

CICAD urges that the necessary action be taken in order to implement this recommendation.

**RECOMMENDATION 15:****DEVELOP THE CAPACITY TO ESTIMATE THE HUMAN, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC COST OF THE DRUG PROBLEM**

Saint Lucia reports that steps have not been taken in developing the capacity to estimate the human, social and economic cost of the drug problem.

CICAD concludes that for this recommendation to be implemented, it will be necessary to devise a project addressing the methodological bases for conducting a study of the social, human, and economic costs of the drug problem.

Accordingly, in the first half of 2002 CICAD, together with states in the Hemisphere that have progressed in this area, will present a proposed basic and homogeneous methodology applicable to all countries.

**FINAL COMMENT**

CICAD takes note of the country's commitment to the MEM process, and is pleased to note that some recommendations have been and are being, implemented. CICAD is concerned by the country's failure to provide information that is vital to assess the level of progress with regards to the implementation of some recommendations and requests that this be provided. CICAD urges Saint Lucia to fully implement all of the recommendations as soon as possible.