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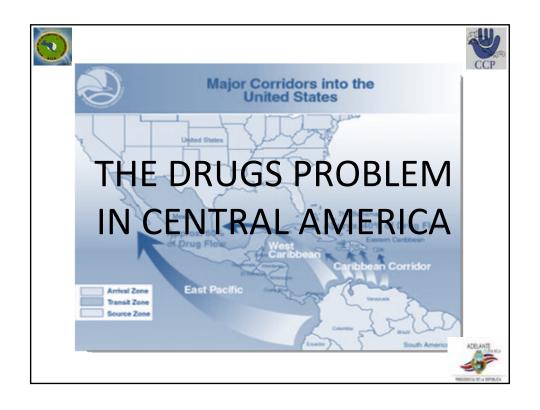


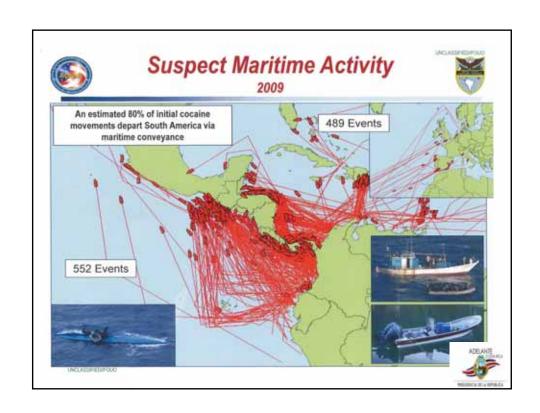
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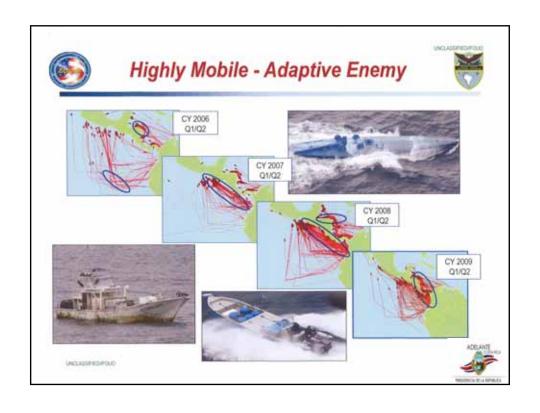
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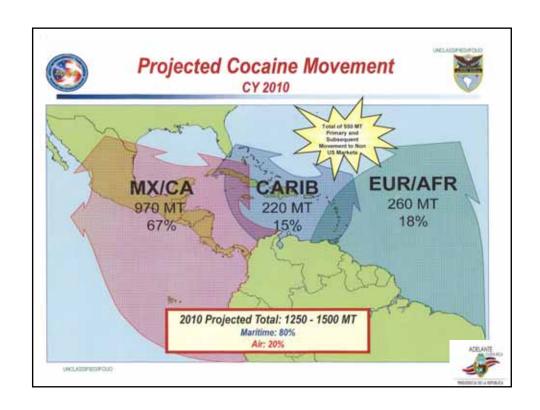
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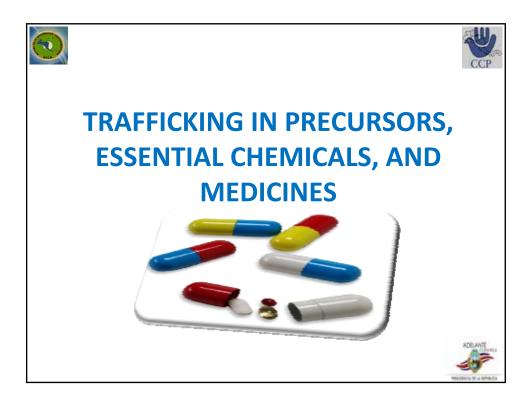














LINKS BETWEEN ORGANIZED TRANSNATIONAL CRIME AND DOMESTIC CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS















REGULATORY PLATFORM









INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS
RELATED TO THE REGIONAL
EFFORT







INTERNATIONAL LEGAL FRAMEWORK CCP REGIONAL PLAN OF ACTION 2011-2016

- √ 1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs
- **✓** 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances
- ✓ 1968 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances





Other international instruments:



1990: The Forty Recommendations issued by the International Financial Action Task Force (FATF) for the prevention and suppression of money laundering.

2002: The United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime and its three Protocols, which focus on the offenses that facilitate the lucrative activities of organized criminal groups.

2005: The United Nations Convention against Corruption, which links corruption to other forms of organized crime, such as economic offenses and, consequently, money laundering.





Regional Commitment:



√1990: Regional Cooperation Agreement for Eradicating Illicit Drug
Trafficking

✓ 1993: The Treaty for Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters between the Republics of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Panama

✓ 1993: The Constitutive Agreement of the Permanent Central American Commission for the Eradication of Production, Trafficking, Consumption. and Illicit Use of Narcotic and Psychotropic Substances (CCP)

✓ 1995: The Framework Treaty on Democratic Security in Central America

✓ 1997: The Central American Agreement for the Prevention and Suppression of Money- and Asset-Laundering Offenses Related to Illegal Drug Trafficking and Related Crimes.

√2007: The Security Strategy in Central America and Mexico.





CCP Constitutive Agreement

Promotes regional cooperation and the political will for preventing and tackling the dangers caused by the drugs phenomenon and related activities through the following actions:

- ✓ Harmonizing the legal frameworks of the nations that make up the Central American region.
- ✓ Standardizing the administrative tools needed for their effective enforcement.
- Establishing monitoring and verification mechanisms.
- ✓ Improving exchanges of information and other actions aimed at the seizure of money, assets, real estate, etc.





STRATEGIC PHILOSOPHY







STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:

- ✓ Consolidate, plan, and program the priorities and initiatives of the CCP member countries, all those intended to raise the quality, efficiency, and effectiveness of the regional response to the drugs phenomenon in each of its manifestations.
- ✓ Consolidate the mechanisms for communication and coordination among the Central American region's countries and international agencies interested in the topic, in order to optimize the resources invested in preventing consumption, attending to drug users, and preventing and suppressing drug trafficking and related crimes.
- ✓ Promote the efficient exchange of information between the national and international agencies responsible for tackling the drugs phenomenon and dealing with the problems that underlie it.







...STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:

- ✓ Encourage accountability, in order to enhance administrative transparency and promote responsibility regarding the results obtained.
- ✓ Encourage the forging of strategic alliances to promote cooperation and exchanges of experiences and technical assistance among the member countries, the cooperating agencies, and other international bodies involved with the CCP's work, in order to create results with a regional impact.







GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- ✓ **Inclusive** and **universal** approach to the drugs phenomenon and related activities.
- **✓ Comprehensiveness** in the response to the drugs phenomenon.
- ✓ **Joint responsibility**, interest, commitment, cooperation, and active, joint, coordinated, and differentiated participation by all social players.
- ✓ Respect for national sovereignty and for the domestic and international legal systems.







Framework Policy:

"A joint, comprehensive, and balanced approach to the drugs phenomenon for demand reduction, the control and monitoring of supply, money laundering, and related offenses in the Central American region."







CROSSCUTTING AXES

- ✓ Institutional Strengthening
- ✓ International Cooperation
- ✓ Education, Training, and Updating of Human Resources
- ✓ Research and Information
- ✓ Legal Updates







PRIORITY AREAS:

- ✓ Preventing drug use
- √Treatment, rehabilitation, and reincorporation of drug users.
- ✓ Prevention and suppression of illegal trafficking in drugs, precursor chemicals, and essential chemicals.
- ✓ Prevention and suppression of money laundering.
- ✓ Control and monitoring of narcotics, psychotropics, precursors, and essential chemicals.







LAUNCH OF REGIONAL POLICIES BY TARGET AREA









Project "Prevention: A Regional Priority"

With a regional approach covering Central America, the member countries agree to formulate, update, incorporate, and promote a prevention policy within the formal education system, to be put into operation through the formulation of strategies with methodologies based on "Skills for Life" and "Healthy Lifestyles," while respecting the cultural values and basic rights of the target populations and of each country.







Project:

"Community Solidarity in Prevention"

This initiative seeks to create a Network of Community Solidarity (RECOS) to support the integration and development of preventive actions, treatment, rehabilitation, and socio-productive reincorporation in high-risk locations and communities, those that are able to quantify the true each of their actions with the information they obtain from themselves.







Project: "Understanding and Protecting Our Children"

This proposal targets the design and launch of an information campaign, to be carried by different mass-media outlets.

The main objectives of this initiative are:

✓To design and launch an outreach strategy aimed at Central American families, with emphasis on communication and oversight, in order to provide parents and families in general with basic tools for preventing drug use in their households.

✓To implement mechanisms to oversee and measure the campaign's impact, to ensure the established objectives are attained.







Project: "Prevention in the Workplace"

The initiative entails the design of an information strategy for employees and employers in the region's labor sectors.

The following strategic objectives have been set:

✓ Design a preventive information strategy, targeting employers and employees, to raise awareness about the use and abuse of legal and illegal drugs, to ensure healthier and safer workplaces. ✓ Encourage the participation of the private sector in the implementation of the strategy and the establishment of forums to publicize it and to measure its impact among the beneficiary population.







Project: "Certification for Treatment Personnel: A Regional Effort"

Train and certify the human resources who work at different levels of care in the detection, early referral, and treatment of members of the population with drug addiction problems.







Project: "Regionalizing Care Quality"

- Design of a training strategy with a regional approach for workers at the primary care level, in order to improve the response the countries give to drug users.
- Launch and monitor progress with the regional strategy as designed, in order to make the necessary adjustments and ensure a supply of quality services.







AREA:

Prevention and suppression of illegal trafficking in drugs, precursor chemicals, and essential chemicals











Project: "Central American Prevention and Suppression Force"

This initiative aims to create and strengthen interinstitutional intersectoral task forces, dedicated to preventing, controlling, and suppressing the illegal drugs trade through better coordinating their work and maximizing the state resources of each country.







Project: "Zero Tolerance for Illegal Drug Trafficking at Places of Learning"

Creation of an educational model that encourages the identification, prevention, tackling, and reporting of drug-related crimes in the member countries' institutes of education.







AREA: Prevention and suppression of money laundering









Project: "Joining Efforts to Prevent Money Laundering in the Region"

- Define the target population, design curriculum plans, and prepare the teaching materials needed for awareness, training, and education about money laundering.
- Inform, raise awareness, and train the target population by making appropriate use of the material created, thus preventing and training for the detection and reporting of suspicious activities related to the laundering of money or other assets.
- Assess the training and education processes developed, to correct methods and/or contents if necessary, and, if not. to ensure that the project's ultimate goal is attained.





Project:

"Regional Antilaundering Network"

The initiative encourages the creation of national antilaundering networks, comprising a range of stakeholders involved in dealing with the money laundering phenomenon.

On this basis, the Regional Antilaundering Network (RERA) will be created, with representatives from each of the national networks, to encourage timely and reliable exchanges of information, as an essential input for the pursuit of regional investigations aimed at weakening and bankrupting the criminal groups engaged in such offenses.







AREA:

Control and monitoring of narcotics, psychotropics, precursors, and essential chemicals







Project: "For Quality Monitoring and Control"

- ✓ Analysis of the regulations in force in each country applicable to the establishment and operation of on-line pharmacies.
- ✓ Dissuade and properly oversee individuals or organizations seeking to establish business of this kind in the region, through the adoption and publication of specific guidelines with a due legal basis.
- ✓ Inform the general public about the effects and dangers of making inappropriate use of the service offered by "pharmacies" of this kind, using various information and outreach strategies for the purpose.





Project: "For Better Control and Effective Oversight of Precursors at the Regional Level"

Design and implementation of a program to standardize the knowledge of the human resources directly and indirectly involved in the control and oversight of those substances at the national and regional levels.









STAKEHOLDERS RESPONSIBLE:

- ✓ Guatemala: Commission against Addictions and Illegal Drug Trafficking (CCATID)
- ✓ El Salvador: National Antidrug Commission (CNA)
- √ Honduras: National Council against Drug Trafficking (CNCN)
- ✓ Nicaragua: National Council for Fighting Drugs (CNLCD)
- ✓ Costa Rica: Costa Rican Drugs Institute (ICD)
- ✓ Panama: National Commission for Studying and Preventing Drug-Related Crimes (CONAPRED)







REGIONAL MEASUREMENTS AND EVALUATIONS

The execution of the Regional Plan of Action includes the design and operation of an automated tool called the "Regional Measuring and Evaluation System" (SIMER), which was proposed by the Costa Rican Drugs Institute (ICD) and approved for use by the members of the CCP's plenary.

With the SIMER, the CCP Executive Secretariat will follow up on and assess the levels of progress and compliance with each of the commitments acquired and set out in the Plan.







FUNDING AND SUSTAINABILITY

- Budget earmarked by each of the stakeholders responsible for putting the proposed projects into operation.
- ✓ Cooperation from donor countries and agencies.









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