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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

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Monday, June 21

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| 08:30 – 09:00 | Registration |
| 09:00 – 09:30 | Opening Remarks |
| 09:30 – 10:00 | Introduction and Review <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Background• Objectives and CICAD Commission expectations• Schedule of work• Proposed work methodology |
| 10:00 – 10:45 | Summary of replies to maritime narcotrafficking study questionnaire |
| 10:45 – 11:00 | Break |
| 11:00 – 12:30 | Review of tasks assigned <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review and prioritize recommendations into short, medium and long term• Prepare plan of action |
| 12:30 – 14:00 | Lunch |
| 14:00 – 17:30 | Plan of action (<i>cont.</i>) |

Initiate action on the following priority recommendations:

Tuesday, June 22

- 09:00 – 10:45** **Develop a standardized threat/risk assessment matrix for countries to use in evaluating vulnerabilities and gaps in port security, coastal areas, and maritime approaches**
- 10:45 – 11:00** **Break**
- 11:00 – 12:30** **Threat/risk assessment matrix (*cont.*)**
- 12:30 – 14:00** **Lunch**
- 14:00 – 15:45** **Threat/risk assessment matrix (*cont.*)**
- 15:45 – 16:00** **Break**
- 16:00 – 17:30** **Threat/risk assessment matrix (*cont.*)**

Wednesday, June 23

- 09:00 – 10:45** **Create a Model Maritime Control Legislation (or a set of laws and regulations) that countries can use to review and update their laws and regulations to ensure adequate maritime jurisdiction and security.**
- 10:45 – 11:00** **Break**
- 11:00 – 12:30** **Maritime Control Legislation (*cont.*)**
- 12:30 – 14:00** **Lunch**
- 14:00 – 15:45** **Develop Model Operating Procedures Manual for joint and combined bilateral or regional interdiction operations**
- 15:45 – 16:00** **Break**
- 16:00 – 17:30** **Model Operating Procedures Manual (*cont.*)**

Thursday, June 24

- 09:00 – 10:45** **Examine and evaluate current data collection systems used in ports and prepare a reference guide for use of member states in developing or upgrading their national systems**
- 10:45 – 11:00** **Break**
- 11:00 – 12:30** **Data collection systems reference guide (*cont.*)**
- 12:30 – 14:00** **Lunch**
- 14:00 – 15:45** **Develop a reference guide of best practices regarding the methods for the exchange of counterdrug intelligence and information applied to port security programs**
- 15:45 – 16:00** **Break**
- 16:00 – 17:30** **Guide of best practices on intelligence/information exchange (*cont.*)**

Friday, June 25

- 09:00 – 10:45** **Identification of potential issues of concern and priorities regarding port security, maritime cooperation and other matters related to the control of maritime narcotrafficking for consideration by the Working Group**
- 10:45 – 11:00** **Break**
- 11:00 – 12:30** **Conclusions, commitments and recommendations for action by the Working Group**
- 12:30 – 14:00** **Lunch**
- 14:00 – 15:45** **Plan of Action**
- 15:45 – 16:00** **Break**
- 16:00 – 17:00** **Plan of Action**
- 17:00 –** **Closing**

REPORT ON THE PREPARATION OF THE MEETING OF THE CICAD GROUP OF EXPERTS ON MARITIME NARCOTRAFFICKING

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
PRESENTED BY THE DELEGATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF HONDURAS

At the Thirty-fourth Regular Session of the Inter-American Commission Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD) held in November 2003 in Montreal, Canada, the Commission approved the creation of a Group of Experts on Maritime Control Issues, agreeing that the Republic of Honduras would coordinate it at the venue of the first meeting, and that it would be of an inter-American technical nature with a view to identifying the mechanisms required in order to boost hemispheric cooperation in suppressing drug trafficking by sea.

CICAD's mandate states that the experts in this group must develop fourteen (14) topics (CICAD /doc.1267/03). However, due to the extent and complexity of some of them, the Executive Secretariat of CICAD has prioritized the following five topics to be dealt with during the first meeting:

1. Create a risk/threat evaluation matrix that can be used by countries for assessing vulnerabilities and shortcomings regarding port security, coastal zones and shipping methods.
2. Create Model Legislation for Maritime Control (or a set of laws and by-laws) that countries can use to examine and update existing laws and by-laws to guarantee adequate maritime jurisdiction and security.
3. Prepare a Model Manual of Operating Procedures to exercise bilateral or regional joint and combined procedures on bans, whose laws and by-laws would enable them to undertake those exercises, taking into account the jurisdictional restrictions and national legal systems of the parties involved when bilateral or regional agreements or arrangements are reached for those exercises.
4. Examine and evaluate the existing data gathering systems used in ports and prepare a reference guide to be used by Member States to develop or enhance their national systems.
5. Prepare a reference guide of best practices on methods for exchanging anti-drug intelligence and information used for port security programs.

As a starting point for treatment of the topics, knowledge of the criminal activity of maritime drug trafficking and identification of opportunities for international cooperation, this first meeting will take the questionnaire prepared by CICAD which has already been circulated among the Member States, and to which sixteen (16) countries had replied up to October 1, 2003, and on which a summary has been drawn up. It will also take the report prepared by the Ad Hoc Group and presented at the meeting of the Commission held in Montreal and any proposals presented by the Member States during the meeting.

It is hoped that the Member States will be represented at the meeting to be held in Tegucigalpa, Republic of Honduras, from June 21 to 25, 2004.

The information bulletin, program and agenda proposed for the meeting will be circulated soon through the Executive Secretariat of CICAD.