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Adoption of the Draft Agenda (CICAD/doc.1715/09) and Draft Schedule of Activities (CICAD/doc. 1716/09)

Both documents were adopted and, at the request of the delegation of Venezuela, to Other Business were added two points pending from the forty-fourth regular session of CICAD, concerning the Final Report of the meeting, items 10.b on chemical substances and 10.d on “forfeiture without conviction”.

Discussion: New Challenges for CICAD and the start of the process to review the current Anti-Drug Strategy in the Hemisphere and its Plan of Action (CICAD/doc.1741/09)

After the introduction to the discussion made by OAS Secretary General José Miguel Insulza and the participation of the member states, the Commission resolved to review the Antidrug Strategy in the Hemisphere and its Plan of Action, for which it set up a working group, to be coordinated by Brazil, and conferred a time frame to carry out the review of the aforementioned documents (See Resolution about the Review of the Antidrug Strategy in the Hemisphere and its Plan of Action,).

Report of the Tenth Meeting of Inter-Governmental Working Group (IWG) of the Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM) and consideration and adoption of the proposals for the Fifth Evaluation Round.

Dr. Mariana Souto, Director of Evaluation and Technical Analysis of Illicit Drug Trafficking, Secretariat of Programming for the Prevention of Drug Dependency and the Struggle against Narcotrafficking (SEDRONAR) of Argentina and Chair of the Inter-Governmental Working Group (IWG), presented to the Commission a report on the meeting (CICAD/doc. 1729/09) held in Washington, DC, in February 2009, and the following **basic documents of the MEM**, which were all adopted by the Commission.

- ✓ Draft of the Questionnaire of Indicators of the Fifth Evaluation Round 2007-2009 (Doc. 1719/09)
- ✓ Draft of Guidelines for the Introductory Document (Doc. 1720/09)
- ✓ Proposed Schedule of Activities of the Fifth Evaluation Round (Doc. 1721/09)
- ✓ Draft of the Style Manual for Drafting MEM Reports (Doc. 1723/09)
- ✓ Draft of the Procedures Manual of the MEM (Doc. 1722/09)

The delegation of Bolivia requested the elimination of references to “coca-leaf derivatives” in the tables of indicators, and, after the IWG chair explained that there had been a prior agreement in this sense, the Commission adopted the document (CICAD/doc. 1719/09), eliminating the noted references.

Report of the Governmental Expert Group (GEG) of the Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM), and consideration and approval of the draft country reports on the Implementation of Recommendations of the Fourth Evaluation Round of the MEM (2009)

Mr. Manodj Hindori, Deputy General Coordinator of the GEG, presented a report on the second stage of the evaluation process and its last meeting held in March 2009 (CICAD/doc. 1732/09). The drafts of the national reports were also presented. The Commission approved the GEG report and all country reports.

Discussion on Treatment, Rehabilitation and Aftercare of Drug Dependency

After the presentations on the topic and the results of the EU-LAC City Alliance on Drug Treatment project financed by the European Commission, and at the request of several delegations, the Commission Chair requested that the Executive Secretariat present to the European Commission, on behalf of the member states, a new project that: (1) permits the participation of new countries and more municipalities; (2) includes a comprehensive approach that encompasses programs of prevention, treatment, rehabilitation and aftercare; (3) strengthens capacities, institutions and institutional cooperation in the development of public policies at the national, regional and municipal levels; (4) and strengthens and expands the work initiated by this project in the areas of treatment alternatives under court supervision.

Annual Report of CICAD corresponding to 2008, the resolution on the Annual Report and other CICAD resolutions for the thirty-ninth regular session of the OAS General Assembly (2009).

The working group responsible for finishing the Annual Report of the Commission, as well as the CICAD resolutions for the thirty-ninth regular session of the OAS General Assembly, chaired by Mr. Rogerio Ghesti, Chief of Staff of National Secretariat on Drug Policy (SENAD) of the delegation of Brazil, presented the mentioned report (CICAD/doc. 1725/09-rev 2) as well as the resolutions corresponding to the Annual Report (CICAD/doc. 1730/09-rev 1), the Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (CICAD/doc. 1731/09-rev 1), and the Review of the Antidrug Strategy in the Hemisphere and its Plan of Action (CICAD/doc. 1741/09-rev 1), all of which the Commission approved (All documents are attached).

Proposed topics, date and place for the forty-sixth regular session of CICAD

The delegation of the United States, current Vice Chair of CICAD, announced that the forty-sixth regular session will probably take place in the city of Miami, Florida, in the month of November 2009, indicating that the exact date and site of the event will be announced shortly.

Diverse topics were proposed by the following delegations and the Chair:

- ✓ Chair: discussion of the review and proposals for the Hemispheric Strategy
- ✓ Suriname: Violence associated with drug problems
- ✓ Ecuador: The topic of Preventative Alternative Development.
- ✓ Colombia: The topic of Sustainable Alternative Development; presentation of the results of the survey on drug consumption, and the possibilities of providing cooperation to other countries in the hemisphere.
- ✓ Barbados: Models of Aftercare in Drug Dependency

Other Business:

The delegation of Ecuador requested the re-establishment of the Expert Group on Alternative, Integral and Sustainable Development, which was seconded by the delegations of Peru and Colombia. The Commission, at the proposal of the Chair, resolved that at its next meeting it would ratify the decision and approve a work plan to be presented beforehand electronically by the delegations of Colombia, Ecuador and Peru.

Concerning the point included at the request of the delegation of Venezuela referring to chemical substances – point 10b of the Final Report of the forty-fourth regular session of CICAD – and after having consulted with the Executive Secretariat, the Venezuelan delegation accepted the approval of the document: “Judicial framework for the control of synthetic drugs,” which will not be posted on the CICAD webpage, however, until it has been reviewed.

Concerning the other topic included at the request of the Venezuelan delegation – item 10.d of the Final Report of the forty-fourth regular session of CICAD – referring to the elimination of the paragraph on the incorporation of ‘forfeiture without conviction’ in Article 9 of the CICAD Model Regulations for the Control of Money Laundering, consensus was not achieved among the delegates. The Chair moved that Mexico, having served as the Chair of the Expert Group for the Control of Money Laundering, and Venezuela, which objected to that part of the report, deal with the disagreement bilaterally, which was approved by the Commission.

At the end of the meeting, both delegations agreed to the following:

Instruct the Expert Group, through the Anti-Money Laundering unit, to deepen its studies about the legal tool ‘forfeiture without conviction,’ its definition and scope and modify the Final Report in its item 10.d, which should say “Taking note of the proposal of the Expert Group to incorporate the legal tool ‘forfeiture without conviction’ as a new article 9 of the Model Regulations for the Control of Money Laundering.”

After the pertinent studies, the Expert Group will submit the findings of its study to the Commission at its forty-sixth regular session, at which time the Commission will consider the amendment of the Model Regulations for the Control of Money Laundering, and, if approved, will request that the OAS General Assembly, at its fortieth regular session, consider the adoption of these modifications in the Model Regulations.

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