

<b>DEPARTMENT AGAINST TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME (DTOC) ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES (OAS)</b>	
<b>LIV EXPERT GROUP MEETING          FOR THE CONTROL OF MONEY LAUNDERING          (GELAVEX)          May 23-24, 2023          Washington DC - United States of America          Washington, D.C. Local Time (EDT)</b>	<b>OEA/Ser.LIV/LIV.54          DDOT/LAVEX/doc.16/23          Original: Spanish</b>

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The Permanent Mission of Mexico to the Organization of American States (OAS) presents its compliments to the General Secretariat of the Organization - Department against Transnational Organized Crime - in its capacity as Technical Secretariat of the OAS Group of Experts to Control Money Laundering (GELAVEX), on the occasion of the fifty-fourth meeting of GELAVEX, to be held on May 23 and 24 at OAS headquarters.

In this regard, and based on Article 18 of the GELAVEX Rules of Procedure, the Permanent Mission would be very grateful if the Secretariat would circulate to the membership the following draft paragraphs for consideration at the aforementioned meeting and possible inclusion in the omnibus resolution Promotion of Hemispheric Security: A Multidimensional Approach, under the heading Fight against Transnational Organized Crime, subject to the agreement of the OAS Committee on Hemispheric Security:

*Comprehensively strengthen regional and national systems for preventing and combating illicit finances through effective international cooperation and assistance offered by international agreements and mechanisms, such as the OAS Group of Experts against Money Laundering (GELAVEX).*

*Promote, within the framework of national legislation and international law, the recovery of assets derived from transnational organized crime located in the various jurisdictions of the member states, particularly those associated with the crime of corruption, as a pillar of efforts to protect the financial and democratic systems of the region.*

*Instruct the General Secretariat to establish a specific fiduciary fund to support the activities of GELAVEX. The fund will be open to voluntary contributions from*

*Member States, permanent observers and the international community. The Secretariat will report on the use and results of such funds based on the activities carried out within the framework of GELAVEX.*

The Permanent Mission of Mexico avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States - Department of Transnational Organized Crime the assurances of its highest consideration.

Washington, D.C., on May 16, 2023.

To the Department Against  
Transnational Organized Crime  
Organization of American States  
Washington, D.C.