## MEETING OF MINISTERS OF JUSTICE OR OTHER MINISTERS OR ATTORNEYS GENERAL OF THE AMERICAS

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Seventh Meeting of the Working Group on Legal Cooperation in Criminal Matters December 10 - 11, 2018 Washington, D.C.

## **DRAFT AGENDA\***

Venue: Padilha Vidal, OAS General Secretariat Building, 1889 F St. NW, Washington, D.C., 20006.

## - Monday, December 10:

09:00 hrs - 10:00 hrs:

- Opening session.
- Election of the Chair of the Working Group.  $^{1/2}$
- Consideration and approval of the agenda of the meeting.

10:00 hrs - 10:30 hrs:

- Background of the Working Group, results of the questionnaire prepared for the meeting, development of the mandates of the Working Group, and agenda of the Meeting.<sup>2</sup> Presentation by the REMJA Technical Secretariat (Department of Legal Cooperation of the OAS Secretariat for Legal Affairs).

10:30 hrs - 12:30 hrs: - Consideration of the proposed Protocol to the Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters on Joint Investigation Teams.  $\frac{3}{2}$  (Presentation by the Delegation of Chile).

12:30 hrs – 14:00 hrs: Break.

14:00 hrs - 17:30 hrs:

- Consideration of the proposed Inter-American Legal Instrument on Extradition.  $\underline{}^{4}$  (Presentation by the Delegation of Argentina).
- Scope and utility of the "Model Law on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters" (*Presentation by the Delegation of Canada*).

This draft agenda was prepared in accordance with provision 27(b) of the "Document of Washington" (document REMJA-VII/doc.6/08 rev. 3)

<sup>1.</sup> Section 18 of the Document of Washington states that "....the Chair shall be elected at the start of the respective meeting of the working group... The delegations of the states that come after the Chair in alphabetical order in Spanish, shall be the Vice Chairs ex officio of the respective working group and shall replace the Chair in the event of any impediment thereto."

<sup>2.</sup> Item included pursuant to recommendation I.1 of the Sixth Meeting of the Working Group (document PENAL/doc.40/14 rev.1).

Item included pursuant to recommendations I.4 of the Sixth Meeting of the Working Group and II(A).4, a) of REMJA

<sup>4.</sup> Item included pursuant to recommendations I.7 of the Sixth Meeting of the Working Group and II(A).4, b), of REMJA

## - Tuesday, December 11:

- 09:00 hrs 12:30 hrs: Guidelines on "best practices with respect to the gathering of statements, documents and physical evidence" and on "best practices with respect to mutual legal assistance in relation to the tracing, restraint (freezing) and forfeiture (confiscation) of assets which are the proceeds or instrumentalities of crime" (Presentation by the Delegation of Canada).
  - Voluntary presentations by States Parties on best practices regarding legal cooperation in criminal matters.

12:30 hrs – 14:00 hrs: Break.

14:00 hrs – 17:30 hrs: - Consideration and adoption of the recommendations from the Meeting.

<sup>5.</sup> Item included pursuant to recommendations I.6 of the Sixth Meeting of the Working Group and II(A).5 of REMJA X.

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