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<u>Sixth Meeting of the Working Group on Legal Cooperation in Criminal Matters</u> May 15-16, 2014 Brasilia, Brazil

DRAFT AGENDA*

Day One: Thursday, May 15, 2014:	
08:00 hrs - 09:00 hrs:	Registration of participants.
09:00 hrs - 09:45 hrs:	Opening session:
	- Remarks by the Representative of the OAS Secretary General. Mr. Jean Michel Arrighi, Secretary for Legal Affairs.
	- Remarks by the National Secretary of Justice of the Federative Republic of Brazil. <i>Mr. Paulo Abrão</i>
	- Remarks by the Minister of Justice of the Federative Republic of Brazil. <i>Mr. José Eduardo Cardozo</i> [to be confirmed]
09:45 hrs – 10:00 hrs:	Break.
10:00 hrs – 10:45 hrs:	Background and development of the mandates of the Working Group and the results of the questionnaire prepared for the meeting. ^{1/} <i>Presentation by the REMJA Technical Secretariat (Department of Legal</i> <i>Cooperation of the OAS Secretariat for Legal Affairs)</i>
10:45 hrs – 11:30 hrs:	Mutual assistance with respect to the identification, freezing and confiscation of assets that are proceeds or instrumentalities of crimes. ^{2/} <i>Presentation by the Delegation of Brazil.</i>
11:30 hrs – 12:30 hrs:	The Hemispheric Network for Legal Cooperation on Criminal Matters: progress on its first phase of modernization and upcoming developments. ^{3/} Presentation by the REMJA Technical Secretariat and the Department of Information and Technology Services of the OAS General Secretariat.

^{*} This draft agenda was prepared in accordance with provision 27(a) of the "Document of Washington"" (document <u>REMJA-VII/doc.6/08 rev. 2</u>)

^{1.} Item included pursuant to recommendation I.1 of the Fifth Meeting of the Working Group (document <u>PENAL/doc.34/12 rev. 1</u>).

^{2.} Item included pursuant to recommendation III.3, e), of REMJA IX (document <u>REMJA-IX/doc.2/12 rev. 1</u>).

^{3.} Item included pursuant to recommendations II.3 of the Fifth Meeting of the Working Group and IV.3 of REMJA IX.

- 12:30 hrs 13:30 hrs: Lunch offered by the Ministry of Justice of the Federative Republic of Brazil.
- 13:30 hrs 15:30 hrs: Consideration of the proposed "Protocol to the Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters relative to the use of new communication technologies and hearings by videoconference".^{4/} *Presentation by the Delegation of El Salvador.*
- 15:30 hrs 16:00 hrs: Coffee break offered by the Ministry of Justice of the Federative Republic of Brazil.
- 16:00 hrs 18:00 hrs: Consideration of the proposed Protocol on Joint Investigation Teams to supplement the Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters.^{5/} Presentation by the Delegation of Chile.
 - 19:30 hrs.: Reception offered by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Federative Republic of Brazil, hosted by Ambassador Sérgio França Danese, Undersecretary-General for Brazilian Communities Abroad of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Mr. Paulo Abrão, National Secretary of Justice of the Federative Republic of Brazil.

- Day Two: Friday, May 16, 2014:

- 09:00 hrs 11:30 hrs: Consideration of the proposed Inter-American Legal Instrument on Extradition.^{6/} *Presentation by the Delegation of Argentina.*
- 11:30 hrs 12:30 hrs: Regional developments with arrest warrants, detention orders, and simplified extradition proceedings, taking into account, as appropriate, those and other related international developments such as the Central American Treaty on Arrest Warrants and Simplified Extradition Procedures of the Central American Integration System (SICA), the CARICOM Arrest Warrant Treaty, the MERCOSUR Arrest Warrant (MMC), and the European Arrest Warrant (EAW)).^{2/} Voluntary presentations by the Delegations.[‡]
- 12:30 hrs 14:00 hrs: Lunch offered by the Ministry of Justice of the Federative Republic of Brazil.

^{4.} Item included pursuant to recommendations I.3 of the Fifth Meeting of the Working Group and III.3, a), of REMJA IX.

^{5.} Item included pursuant to recommendations I.2 of the Fifth Meeting of the Working Group and III.3, d), of REMJA IX.

^{6.} Item included pursuant to recommendations I.7 of the Fifth Meeting of the Working Group and III.3, b), of REMJA IX.

^{7.} Item included pursuant to recommendations I.6 of the Fifth Meeting of the Working Group and III.3, c), of REMJA IX.

[‡] In addition to the Delegation of Brazil which has already offered, if any Delegation is interested in making an introductory presentation on this item of the agenda, they are requested to notify the REMJA Technical Secretariat in this regard (<u>LegalCooperation@oas.org</u>) by no later than May 8, 2014.

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

- Venue of the Seventh Meeting of the Working Group.
- Other business.
- Closing Session.