

**THEMATIC COMPILATION OF RELEVANT INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY
JAMAICA**

ARTICLE 13 UNCAC

PUBLICATION AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION ON CORRUPTION

JAMAICA (SEVENTH MEETING)

Article 13(1)(d) Disseminating Information Concerning Corruption

The OCG proactively and systematically publishes the findings of its investigations in relation to corruption online, on its website.

The OCG's Investigative Reports, once laid before Parliament, are made available to the public upon request. Information gathered by the OCG and received from complainants are treated as confidential in most cases. The OCG is guided by sections of the Contractor-General Act (CGA) in relation to access to information regarding specific cases of corruption.

The OCG is restricted from disclosing certain information (section 19 of the CGA), such as that in relation to the security and defence of Jamaica (matters of national security).

Additionally, section 24 of the CGA indicates that "a Contractor General and every person concerned with the administration of the Act shall regard as secret and confidential all documents, information and things disclosed to them in the execution of any of the provisions of the Act", except in certain circumstances for example where the issue concerns the Perjury Act.

See the Contractor General Act:

<http://www.ocg.gov.jm/ocg/sites/default/files/The%20Laws%20%20Jamaica%20%20CG%20ACT.pdf>

In practice, the non-disclosure provision of the CGA is applied in response to requests for information in relation to an ongoing or concluded investigation and generally. Information is provided in accordance with the provisions of the CGA-where information is deemed suitable for disclosure it is provided.

Procedures in relation to Access to Information Act were referred to above.

Article 13(2) Relevant Anti-Corruption Bodies

OCG is promoted through its online information campaign of twitter-@ OCGJamaica.

Promotion is also through its Facebook page and through its website. Other Anti-Corruption bodies have similar operating procedures and promotions, to include television and radio advertisements in relation to corruption.

Members of the public are able to report acts of corruption through the OCG's Report Impropriety link on its website. This can be done anonymously or otherwise if the complainant so chooses. For more information on the OCG's Report Impropriety promotion, visit the following link:

<http://www.ocg.gov.jm/ocg/webform/report-impropriety>

Reports may be made anonymously. At the end of the investigation the OCG provides a report which is published and made available to the public (on the OCG's website) after it has been laid before Parliament.