Second round of CND thematic discussions on the implementation of UNGASS recommendations

Transatlantic (inter-regional) cooperation in countering cocaine flow from LAC to West Africa and other destinations

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Example - an interesting trafficking route for Cocaine…

928 Kg of Cocaine intercepted in December 2016 concealed among logs of timber. Container departed in December from **South America**, transit and final destination in **Southern Asia**.
Narco-Cocaine groups are using cash couriers (more visible part of financial illicit flows) on a regular basis among other methods, some examples below:

- **2 November 2016**
  EU to South America, hand luggage 350,000 euros in notes of 500 euros.

- **25 August 2016**
  EU to South America, hand luggage 155,000 euros were found in the double bottom from the checked in luggage.

Opportunities to more detailed post-seizures investigations.

Both cases are connected with cocaine cases.
Common points between cases

✓ Transatlantic (inter-regional) link.
✓ Several criminal justice actors involved in the detection, investigation and prosecution.
✓ Multi jurisdictions competent to investigate and prosecute.
✓ High commercial values involved and corruption risks present.

✓ Need to organize:
  ➢ Post seizure investigation;
  ➢ Police international cooperation;
  ➢ Judicial cooperation;
  ➢ Include a financial investigation dimension;
  ➢ Reduce corruption risks.
Operational recommendations in the UNGASS outcome document tasking the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

(w) Encourage the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, in cooperation with relevant United Nations entities, within their respective mandates, to consider, as appropriate, reviewing existing guidelines and, where required, developing new ones on the various aspects of the world drug problem, with a view to enhancing the capacity of relevant national authorities and strengthening international and inter-agency cooperation;

RECOMMENDATION
- Reviewing existing guidelines and, where required, developing new ones on the various aspects of the world drug problem, with a view to enhancing the capacity of relevant national authorities and strengthening international and inter-agency cooperation;
Strengthening criminal investigation and criminal justice cooperation along the cocaine route in Latin America, the Caribbean and West Africa
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Complementarity of mandates among implementing partners

Inter-regional approach to tackle OC-related threats
Police and Judicial cooperation

Enhanced integrity and accountability of law enforcement and the judiciary.
Next steps…

✓ Maintain the knowledge/research on the “business models” of narco-groups.

✓ Enhance the cooperation, good practices and shared experience applied to disrupt illicit flows between countries.

✓ Support transregional cooperation between criminal justice actors (Law Enforcement and Prosecutors).

✓ Integrated approach that focuses on the criminal networks and not the commodities.

✓ Post seizure investigations - necessary to disrupt and dismantle the criminal networks.
Thank you
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