UNODC Terrorism Prevention Branch:
Countering the Use of Internet for Terrorist Purposes

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TPB Technical Assistance & Capacity Building

- Ratification and legislative incorporation assistance
- Enhanced, in-depth and sustained capacity building on the ground
- Strengthened international cooperation in criminal matters related to terrorist cases
TPB Technical Assistance & Capacity Building

- **Expertise building in thematic areas:**
  - Use of internet for terrorist purposes; Maritime issues; Victims;
  - Financing of terrorism; CBRN;

- **UNODC-wide synergies**
  - Counter Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) “*Working Group on Countering the Use of the Internet for Terrorist Purposes*”
  - Conference on “The Use of the Internet to Counter the Appeal of Extremist Violence,” Riyadh, Saudi-Arbia, 24-26 January 2011
Sub-regional Workshop: International Cooperation on the Use of the Internet for Terrorist Purposes

- **South American** Countries (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, and Venezuela) met in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, 10-13 October 2010

- With the participation of the **Organization of American States** (OEA) under the auspices of the **Government of Colombia**
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- **Terrorists abuse of the internet for:**
  - Propaganda
  - Incitement
  - Terrorist Financing
  - Recruitment
  - Training:
    - Combat tactics
    - Use of explosives
    - Use of weapons
  - Covert communication
Sub-regional Workshop: International Cooperation on the Use of the Internet for Terrorist Purposes

- **Discussions** focused upon:
  - Preventive Strategy
  - Criminalization
  - Special Investigative Techniques
  - International Cooperation on criminal matters
Workshop’s conclusions

- Need for Specialized Investigators, investigative teams and prosecutors (integration right from the beginning)

- Need to address right from the beginning:
  - Intelligence gathering vs. evidence collection
  - Roles, mandates and obligations of all partners
  - Continuous exchange between partners
  - Determine key players and decision makers for each partner
  - Anticipate disclosure issues (always check open sources)
Workshop’s conclusions

- Strong working partnerships –foreign and domestic- is very important
- Coping with technology issues and experts
- Need for very strong computer forensics capabilities
- Foreign languages and importance of interpreters
- Disclosure issues- particularly foreign intelligence
- Increased profile of terrorism cases (political sensitivity, media interest)
- Judicial system dealing with new concepts and legislation
- Timing and coordination of actions is essential
Future Capacity-Building Tools

- **Cooperation on use of internet for terrorist purposes:**
  - CTITF Working Group
  - Regional/National technical assistance workshops

- **New Training Tools:**
  - Digest on the Use of Internet for Terrorist Purposes
  - C-T Legal Training Curriculum Module
  - On-line Training Platform
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