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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF BELIZE FOR COOPERATION TO COMBAT ILLICIT DRUG
TRAFFICKING AND DRUG CONSUMPTION

The Government of the United Mexican States and the Government
of Belize (The Parties),

CONSCIOUS of the need to protect the life and health of
their respective peoples from the harmful effects of narcotic drugs;

ACCEPTING that these actions should be attacked fully under
four broad subjects: prevention and reduction of the illicit demand
for drugs and drug substances, control of sale, suppression of il-
licit trafficking, treatment and rehabilitation.

RECOGNIZING that the different aspects of drug trafficking
and drug consumption threaten the security and the special interest
of each Party.

INSPIRED by the spirit of the recommendations contained in
the Comprehensive and Multidisciplinary Plan of Future Activities in
the Control of the Improper Use of Drugs (the Plan) adopted at
Vienna, Austria, on June 26, 1986.*

ENCOURAGED by the provisions and goals of the United Nations
Convention Against the Illegal Trafficking of Narcotics and Drugs
Substances, adopted in Vienna, Austria, on the 20 December 1988.

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RESOLVING to cooperate mutually wherever necessary to effectively combat drug trafficking and drug dependence, considering the serious implications of such nefarious activities, both at national and international level.

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

Scope of the Agreement

1. The purpose of the present Agreement is to promote cooperation between the Parties with the objective that they can control with greater efficiency, drug trafficking and drug consumption, a phenomenon that transcends national borders.

The Parties will adopt the necessary measures in complying with the obligations that they have contracted by virtue of this Agreement, including legislative and administrative measures in accordance with their respective constitutions and laws.

2. The Parties will fulfill the obligations of the present Agreement according to the principles of self-determination, non-intervention in internal affairs, judicial equality and respect for the territorial integrity of States.

3. Neither Party shall exercise authority or perform any functions that pertain to the authorities of the other Party in the territory of the other Party, because of the sovereign status of both Parties.

ARTICLE II

Area of Cooperation

The Parties will carry out such measures of cooperation as are necessary to give full effect, between both and in the most effective manner, to their obligations under the present Agreement and will attempt to implement such cooperation, to the extent possible, in accordance with the objectives and recommendations of the Plan.

Subject to the respective human and material resources of the Parties, each Party shall endeavour to initiate programmes in its territory designed to:

- (a) Reduce the illicit demand for narcotics and drugs substances through preventive measures, treatment and public awareness;
- (b) Eradicate illegal drug cultivation and, where applicable, establish substitute legal crops;
- (c) Establish activities geared to pursue the development of activities related to preventing drug trafficking and drug consumption;
- (d) Identify and destroy laboratories and other installations where drug substances and narcotics are illegally produced;
- (e) Regulate the production, the importation, the exportation,

the storage, the distribution and the sale of primary material, chemical products and other chemical additives, which are used for the illegal production of drugs and narcotics;

- (f) Establish systems of exchange of information on the control of drug trafficking and drug consumption, with full respect for the national authorities of the other Party;
- (g) Strengthen the system for the control of drugs, through the assignment and application of more human, financial and material resources taking into consideration budgetary capabilities of each Party;
- (h) Develop new legal instruments which the Parties consider expedient for the more efficient control of drug substances and narcotics.

ARTICLE III

Mechanisms for Cooperation

For the purposes of Article II of this Agreement, the Parties agree to establish a Mexico-Belize Commission for cooperation for the control of narcotics and drug substances (the Commission).

ARTICLE IV

Composition of the Mexico-Belize Commission of Cooperation

1. The Commission shall be composed of the Coordinating Authorities of both Parties and shall have consultative and operational functions.