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INTRODUCTION:

The evaluation is a diagnostic instrument which serves as a guide for policy-making.

The recommendations highlight useful measures to address identified weaknesses.

Recommendations made to countries should be implemented in order for the anti-drug strategy to be fully applied.

Countries which do not implement the recommendations deprive themselves of useful instruments and consequently weaken their situation.

The lack of adherence to the recommendations by a country weakens the realization of the Anti-Drug Strategy in the Hemisphere and similarly weakens the MEM itself.

A country which does not fulfill a recommendation puts itself and the region in a perilous situation as it opens the possibility for illicit activities to be carried out.

It is, therefore, important to strengthen compliance with the recommendations so that they are fully applied and their objectives met.

For this reason, it is a necessity to implement systems that will allow CICAD to adopt measures to encourage countries to implement the recommendations that have already been indicated in the First Evaluation Round 1999 - 2000 and in the Second Evaluation Round 2001 - 2002.

ACTIONS:

In light of this, we have considered the following instances:

1. a) CICAD will provide support, advice, technical assistance and resources in order for countries to comply with the recommendations.

- b) If, despite this assistance, the country still does adhere to the recommendation, CICAD will try to convince the country to do so through a written request.
2. A mechanism could also be set up through which the GEG sets a fixed time frame in which the country should comply with the reiterated recommendation. If this has not occurred once the time frame has expired, CICAD or the GEG (through a committee of experts) in direct communication with the country's Commissioner could urge compliance with the recommendation and additionally offer technical and material assistance if required.