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**RRAG
GAFILAT ASSET RECOVERY NETWORK**



RR@G – GAFILAT Asset Recovery Network

Financial Action Task Force of Latin America

Financial Action Task Force of Latin America (GAFILAT)



- Intergovernmental organization with a regional base, independent and sovereign in its decisions.
- Combats Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing.
- Was formally created on December 8, 2000 in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, by means of a constitutive Memorandum of Understanding.
- Member states: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, México, Nicaragua, Panamá, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay.
- GAFILAT is a regional organization following the FATF model and is an Associate Member of the FATF.

GAFILAT - Objectives



- Recognize and apply the 40 FATF Recommendations, against money laundering, terrorism financing and financing the proliferation of WMD and other measures that GAFILAT may adopt in the future.
- The 40 Recommendations cover the following aspects:
 - Policies and National Coordination
 - Prevention and control measures focused on financial institutions and other non-financial professions and activities.
 - Criminal and regulatory systems.
 - International cooperation.

Working Groups

- Budget Committee – COMPRES
 - Reviews the agency's finances
- Working Group on Training and Development – GTCD
 - Develops training and technical assistance plans
- Working Group on Mutual Evaluations– GTEM
 - Develops mutual evaluations and follow up reports
- Working Group on Risk Analysis and Financial Inclusion – GTARIF
 - Develops activities related to Risk and Financial Inclusion
- Working Group on Operational Support - GTAO
 - Develops activities and carries out operations to comply with the 40 Recommendations – including RR@G



Change of name:
GAFISUD → GAFILAT



**Grupo de
Acción
Financiera de
Latinoamérica**





RR@G Background

- In August 2009, representatives of GAFILAT, UNODC and CICAD/OEA proposed the creation of a Network that would allow and facilitate cooperation in informal exchange of information in order to strengthen mechanisms for recovery of assets of illicit origin.
- The RR@G initiative was approved by the Plenary of GAFILAT Representatives in July of 2010.
- Since October 2010 – RR@G has had a secure electronic platform for the exchange of information.



GAFILAT Asset Recovery Network

- An informal network
- Exchange of information as a prior legal assistance tool
- Exchange of information should be directed principally to the search for Goods and/or Assets
- On account of its informality and in order to guarantee the security of the information that is exchanged, the network utilizes an electronic platform
- The network meets twice a year
 - Until today there have been 11 point-of-contact meetings



Composition

- The majority of its points of contact are law enforcement officers with some also coming from Attorney General's offices; in a few very specific cases a FIU or another Ministry may be a point of contact.
- The Network is currently composed of two points of contact designated by each GAFILAT member state:
 - Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Guatemala, Honduras, Ecuador, México, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru y Uruguay.
- In 2013, Spain became a part of RR@G with a point of contact.
- CARIN (European Network) and ARIN-Asia Pacific are observers of RR@G.
- The technical secretariat of GAFILAT holds the Secretariat.



Objectives

- Exchange information on natural and legal persons and assets to facilitate the identification, location and recovery of assets or products that have been instruments of illegal activities.
- Serve as a center of experience in all aspects to prosecute criminal revenues.
- Facilitate mutual legal assistance.
- Share best practices, knowledge and experiences; and, provide feedback in collaborating with investigations on this topic.
- Facilitate training in all areas regarding prosecution of assets coming from crime.
- Raise awareness about the importance of developing all aspects in the pursuit of proceeds from crime.



Platform

- In 2010, the Costa Rican Institute on Drugs (ICD) is offered to develop an electronic system for the exchange of information.
 - RR@G-GAFILAT System
- RR@G-GAFILAT is the Confidential Information Transfer System, allowing the secure transmission of information among the countries that make up the RR@G
 - Information is encrypted
- Allows access to the platform through the Internet from wherever the point of contact is located.
- Each point of contact from every country has access to the platform and to the Network's information objective.



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Sistema de la Red de Recuperación de Activos del GAFILAT

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Partner organizations

- CICO – Spain
- GAFILAT
- INTERPOL
- StAR Initiative of the World Bank and UNODC.
- OAS/CICAD
- UNODC



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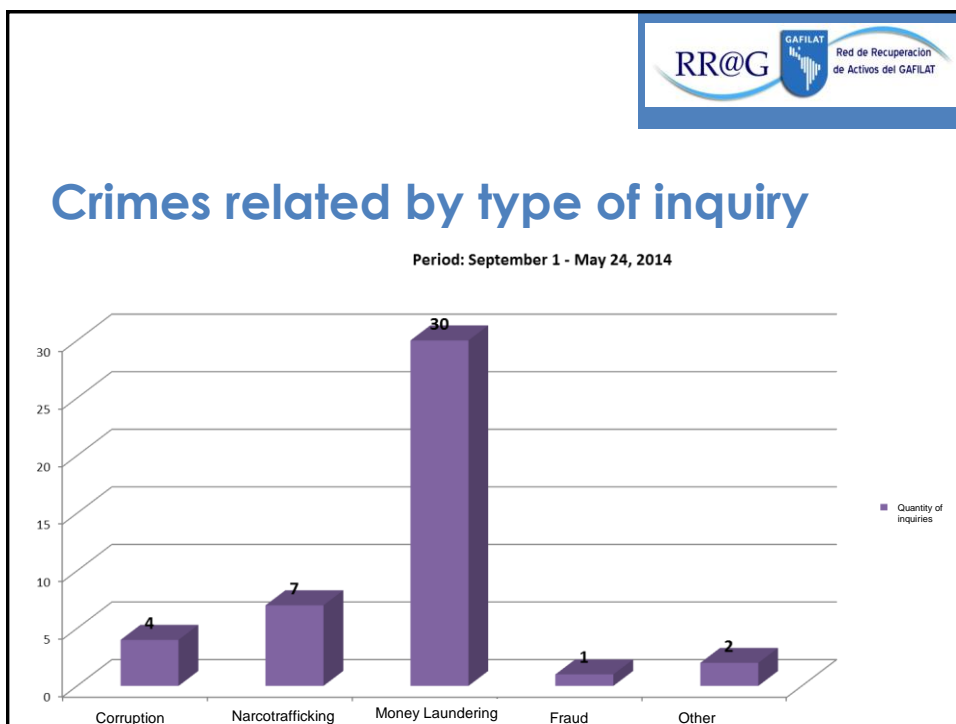




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RRAG Results

- Since the creation of the Network, more than 260 exchanges of information between RRAG member states have occurred.
- Identified: 35 real estate and personal property
 - Valued at approximately US \$1 million.
- Legal Persons: 4 with an initial patrimony of US \$13,268.
- 5 formal investigations initiated with the information exchanged through RRAG.
- 3 mutual legal assistance petitions have occurred due to the exchanged information.





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Results with other Networks

- CARIN (Europe)
 - RRAG and CARIN have exchanged information since
 - More than 70 requests for information have been made between RR@G-CARIN
 - 11 real estate and personal properties have been identified.
 - Approximate value US \$225,000
 - A Mutual Legal Assistance request has been carried out
- ARIN – AP (Asia Pacific)
 - ARIN – AP became an observer in December 2013.
 - Currently 1 information exchange between ARIN-AP-RR@G has occurred.



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