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**ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE SUB-WORKING GROUP ON
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND FORFEITURE 2014-2015**

REPORT 2014-2015

The Sub-Working Group on International Cooperation and Forfeiture has accomplished the goals of the Working Plan 2014-2015. For this timeframe the Group was tasked with presenting:

- a) A reference that supports agencies for the administration of seized and forfeited assets in the disposal process for such assets. According to line of action number 2 (procedures of disposal for seized and forfeited assets) the “Analysis of the applicability and effectiveness of modern judicial instruments for the disposal of seized and forfeited assets.”
- b) A study on the rights of victims and bona fide third parties under the framework of the REACT Program. In relation to line of action number 5, the “Analysis on the Rights of Victims and Bona Fide Third Parties regarding forfeiture processes for assets of illicit origin” was developed. As agreed by the Group, the topic will continue to be developed by the Delegation of Brazil, with the support of Chile, through a complementary study that contains principles, doctrine and jurisprudence.
- c) For the period 2015–2016, the following lines of action are proposed:
 1. Administration of complex assets.
 2. Promotion of the development of effective forfeiture laws and their effective implementation in Member States

WORK PLAN 2015-2016

The first topic to be developed is a study on challenges and solutions regarding the administration of complex assets, which will be carried out by the Chair of the Sub-Working Group on International Cooperation and Forfeiture with the support of the ES/CICAD, the BIDAL Project and the REACT Program.

The support of Member States with experience on the topic, such as Honduras, Mexico, Colombia and the USA will be important. In this regard, these delegations as well as any others with experience on the topic are welcome to be part of the group that will develop the document.

The second line of action will be executed through a regional assessment on the implementation of forfeiture laws in OAS Member States. The assessment will be developed by the Chair of the Sub-Working Group on International Cooperation and Forfeiture with the support of the ES/CICAD, the REACT Program and the Delegation of the United States. This delegation of the United States will submit their input for the elaboration of guidelines on specific points that should be analyzed in the framework of the study.

LINE OF ACTION	ACCOMPLISHMENT	TOPIC
1) Coordination between legal and administrative authorities for the management and administration of seized assets		
2) Processes for the disposal of seized and forfeited assets;	Work Plan 2014-2015	Analysis of the applicability and effectiveness of modern judicial instruments for the disposal of seized and forfeited assets
3) Administration of complex assets;		Study on challenges and solutions regarding the administration of complex assets

<p>4) Support ES/CICAD on the subject of asset recovery, which will be worked on under the framework of the Technical Assistance Program on International Cooperation in Asset Recovery</p>		
<p>5) Support ES/CICAD on the subject of rights for victims' and bona fide third parties, which will be worked on under the framework of the Technical Assistance Program on International Cooperation in Asset Recovery;</p>	<p>Work Plan 2014-2015</p>	<p>Study on the Rights of Victims and Bona Fide Third Parties</p>
<p>6) Promotion of the development of effective forfeiture laws and their effective implementation in Member States</p>		<p>Regional assessment on the implementation of forfeiture laws in OAS Member States</p>