

GENERAL SECRETARIAT

EXECUTIVE ORDER N° 16- 01 Rev. 1

SUBJECT: Secretariat for Multidimensional Security

THE SECRETARY GENERAL,

By the authority granted to him under Articles 109 and 113 of the Charter and Articles 4, 8,12, and 14 of the General Standards to Govern the Operations of the General Secretariat (General Standards), and

CONSIDERING:

That Executive Order 08 -01 Rev. 9 defined the structure of the General Secretariat to orient it toward fulfillment of its mission and priority objectives by establishing and applying mechanisms and instruments for planning, coordination, and control; and

That a change needs to be made to the structure of the Secretariat for Multidimensional Security in order to bring it into line with the hemisphere's current needs in the area of security,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the structure of the "Secretariat for Multidimensional Security" provided in Annex A to this Executive Order.

REPEAL AND EFFECT:

1. This Executive Order shall replace any contrary provision and practice of the General Secretariat specially Executive Order 16-01 Corr. 1.

2. This Executive Order shall take effect on the date of its signature.



Luis Almagro
Secretary General

Date: July 19, 2016
Original: Spanish

ANNEX A

SECRETARIAT FOR MULTIDIMENSIONAL SECURITY

I. MISSION AND ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. The mission of the Secretariat for Multidimensional Security (SMS) is to promote and coordinate cooperation among the OAS member states and between them, the Inter-American system and other bodies in the international system, in order to assess, prevent, confront, and respond effectively to threats to security, with a view to being the leading point of reference in the Hemisphere for developing cooperation and capacity-building in the OAS member states.

B. The scope of activity of the SMS is defined by the Declaration on Security in the Americas and its new concept of hemispheric security as being multidimensional and comprising traditional threats and new threats, concerns, and challenges to the security of the states of the Hemisphere.

C. The SMS is the dependency of the General Secretariat responsible for lending support to the Committee on Hemispheric Security (CSH) of the Permanent Council.

D. The SMS, its dependencies and staff are under the overall direction, supervision, and control of the Secretary for Multidimensional Security, who answers to the Secretary General, in accordance with the legal system of the Organization and with the provisions of this Executive Order.

E. The SMS is composed of the Executive Office of the Secretary for Multidimensional Security and the following dependencies:

1. The Executive Secretariat of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (at the department level) (ES/CICAD);
2. The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee against Terrorism (at the department level) (ES/CICTE);
3. The Department of Public Security (DPS); and
4. The Department against Transnational Organized Crime (DTCO)

F. SMS and its dependencies will coordinate with other dependencies of the General Secretariat and other OAS organs, agencies, and entities, to maximize effectiveness and limit duplication, in particular the Secretariat for Legal Affairs, and the Inter-American Defense Board, to ensure that assistance and programs are aligned and consistent with the fulfillment of the mandates of CICTE, CICAD, DPS and DTCO, as appropriate, and as set forth in OAS General Assembly resolutions, Statutes, declarations and the work plans of CICTE, CICAD, DPS and DTCO.

G. The SMS Executive Office will coordinate with the IADB on defense and military issues in accordance with the statute of the IADB.

1. The Inter-American Defense Board ("IADB") is an entity of the Organization of American States established under Article 53 of the OAS Charter to provide the OAS and its member

states with technical and educational advice and consultancy services on matters related to military and defense issues in the Hemisphere in order to contribute to the fulfillment of the OAS Charter.

2. According with its statutes, the IADB enjoys technical autonomy in carrying out the purpose and functions, taking into account the its Statutes, the mandates of the OAS General Assembly, the OAS Meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs and the OAS Permanent Council, within their respective areas of competence.

3. The SMS will coordinate and collaborate with the IADB on defense and military issues including performing the technical secretariat support for the the Forum on Confidence- and Security-Building Measures and the Inter-American Convention on Transparency in Conventional Weapons Acquisitions (CITAAC).

II. EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY FOR MULTIDIMENSIONAL SECURITY

A. Functions

1. Provides overall direction, political management, and technical supervision for all the activities of the SMS.

2. Advises the General Secretariat and the political bodies of the OAS on all matters pertaining to traditional threats and the mechanisms for confronting them, on new threats, which include terrorism, transnational organized crime, the global drug problem, money laundering, illicit arms trafficking and the links between them, trafficking in persons, migrant smuggling, cyber-security, and on all other matters within the parameters of the authority of the SMS and its dependencies. Advises on those aspects of the relationship between transnational organized crime and corruption and cybercrime, in coordination with the Secretariat for Legal Affairs, which is responsible for these topics.

3. Assists member states in the design, implementation, and evaluation of comprehensive public policies on security as well as in drafting basic guidelines for model laws on security matters; promotes mechanisms and opportunities for exchanges of experience and information in its areas of competence; and carries out activities aimed at strengthening human and institutional capacities for enhancing multidimensional security throughout the Hemisphere, taking into consideration a gender perspective and human rights.

4. Represents the Secretary General in dealings before the political bodies of the OAS, on missions, at international meetings, and at other events dealing with matters in its area of competence; prepares special reports and performs other tasks as assigned by the Secretary General.

5. Serves as technical secretariat to the Permanent Council's Committee on Hemispheric Security and its subsidiary bodies, and coordinates the planning, organization, and follow-up for all security-related political and technical forums.

6. Assists member states in implementing their international obligations in the area of security.

7. Establishes and maintains cooperative relations with international and regional organizations, as well as with public and private institutions with interests similar to those of the SMS.

8. Acts as liaison between the SMS and the Police Community of the Americas (AMERIPOL) and fosters police cooperation mechanisms in its areas of competence.

9. Acts as liaison between the SMS, the Inter-American Defense Board (IADB), and the Inter-American Defense College (IADC).

10. Serves as technical secretariat of the Inter-American Convention on Transparency in Conventional Weapons Acquisitions (CITAAC), of the Forum on Confidence- and Security-Building Measures, and of other committees and forums concerned with defense and military matters in the framework of the Permanent Council's Committee on Hemispheric Security.

B. The Planning, Management, and Coordination Section

1. Coordinates implementation of the Vision and Strategic Plan of the Secretariat and reviews and follows up on programs and projects with the aim of ensuring that established objectives and outcomes are achieved and assigned mandates are fulfilled.

2. Carries out follow-up activities on technical management as well as in relation to the Project Evaluation Committee (CEP), and coordinates the organizational development of the SMS in order to ensure that it performs its functions efficiently, effectively, and transparently.

3. Ensures close coordination among the dependencies of the SMS particularly on cross-cutting issues.

4. Coordinates relations between the various dependencies of the SMS and other areas of the General Secretariat, the political bodies, and civil society organizations active in the sphere of multidimensional security.

5. Carries out activities to raise and mobilize external funding to finance and promote its programs, projects and activities, in coordination with the Strategic Counsel for Organizational Development and Management for Results.

6. Coordinates maintenance of the website, drafting of press releases, and visibility and awareness-raising activities and products of the SMS (*inter alia*, events, reports, products, and tools) in coordination with the Department of Press and Communication.

C. The Administration and Finance Section

1. Centralizes the administrative and budgetary operations of the Secretariat and its dependencies, including management of financial resources, follow-up on expenditure, the operational and logistical workings, and management of human resources, *inter alia*, under the operational supervision of the Secretariat for Administration and Finance.

2. Prepares the program-budget of the SMS and all its dependencies and assists the Secretary for Multidimensional Security in managing, administering, and supervising its execution, according to instructions from the Secretary General, the pertinent resolutions of the General Assembly, and the rules and regulations of the General Secretariat.

D. Multidimensional Security Information and Knowledge Section

1. Identifies and standardizes indicators, tools, and methodologies, and drafts protocols and standards with the aim of enhancing the quality, validity, and comparability of data in the area of security.

2. Coordinates the Hemispheric Security Observatory and mechanisms that gather, analyze, and disseminate information on security in an effort to provide evidence for the design and introduction of public policies.

3. Provides assistance to member states in establishing, developing, and strengthening national observatories and information systems, and promotes technical training for professionals that work with security-related data and statistics.

4. Encourages exchanges of information, experience, and know-how in the area of multidimensional security via in-person and virtual networks, publications, documents, and other media.

5. Helps to develop and strengthen the capacities of member states to produce and spread knowledge about multidimensional security.

E. IADB Liaison Section

1. This section ensures permanent coordination between SMS and the IADB on matters related to defense and military issues.

2. SMS personnel, along with those liaison officers that the IADB appoints, will work together to optimize efforts and coordination between the IADB and SMS.

III. EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT OF THE
INTER-AMERICAN DRUG ABUSE CONTROL COMMISSION

A. Structure

1. The Executive Secretariat of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (ES/CICAD) and its dependencies and staff are under the overall direction, supervision, and control of the Executive Secretary of CICAD, who reports to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security, in accordance with the legal system of the Organization, especially the Statute and Regulations of the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), and with the provisions of this Executive Order.

2. ES/CICAD will operate in accordance with the powers granted to it by the relevant standards of the Organization, the CICAD Statute and Regulations, decisions of the General Assembly, decisions of CICAD Commission, the provisions of this Executive Order, and the Strategic Plan of the SMS.

3. ES/CICAD reports to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security on the administration of the Secretariat's assigned resources and staff.

4. ES/CICAD is composed of the following sections:

- a. Drug Control Capacity Building and Technical Assistance Section: To be comprised of three individual units focused on Supply Reduction, Demand Reduction, and Institutional Strengthening ; and
- b. The Evidence-Based Drug Policy Section: Information, Design, Implementation, Monitoring, Evaluation, and Data Collection and Analysis to be comprised of: CICAD's Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism and the Inter-American Observatory on Drugs (OID)

B. Functions

1. Implements and facilitates the fulfillment of the mandates of CICAD as set forth in OAS General Assembly resolutions, Statutes, declarations and the work plan of CICAD.

2. Assists the CICAD Commission in promoting multilateral cooperation in the design, implementation, and evaluation of national drug policies and in executing initiatives to strengthen the capacity of member states to address the world drug problem.

3. Advises the Secretary General and the Assistant Secretary General, through the Secretary for Multidimensional Security, on matters within the purview of the Executive Secretariat, and represents them when so requested.

4. Serves as Technical Secretariat for CICAD and its existing and future groups of experts, and supervises implementation of work plans and hemispheric strategies, as well as of declarations and resolutions adopted in the relevant areas.

5. Assists member states in implementation of the CICAD Hemispheric Drug Strategy, and its accompanying Plan of Action.

6. Prepares and proposes technical assistance, training, and cooperation programs to CICAD to strengthen member states capabilities to address the illicit use, production, traffic and distribution of drugs, and related offenses, and to impose effective drug control measures in response to their requirements and requests, in keeping with the work plan approved by CICAD, the mandates set forth in the declarations of CICAD, the CICAD Statues, and the General Assembly.

7. Participates in its own capacity or by delegation, in the political organs of the Organization and, in the performance of that duty, presents proposals, reports, and documents on its activities to the General Assembly, the Permanent Council, the Committee on Hemispheric Security,

CICAD, and other organs and entities of the Organization on behalf of the Secretary General, when the Secretary General so requests.

8. Establishes and maintains cooperative relations with other dependencies of the SMS, and the General Secretariat, as well as with public, private, national, regional, and international organizations with interests similar to those of CICAD, in coordination with the Secretary for Multidimensional Security.

9. Carries out activities to raise and mobilize external funding to finance and promote its programs, projects, and activities, in coordination with the Secretary for Multidimensional Security, and the Strategic Counsel for Organizational Development and Management for Results.

10. Reports to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security on the planning, follow-up, internal communication, oversight, and evaluation of the programs, projects, and activities that it is responsible for implementing, as well as on the development of the procedures needed for the administration of its assigned resources and staff.

C. Drug Control Capacity Building and Technical Assistance Section

1. Assists member states in strengthening their institutional, technical, and human capabilities for implementation of comprehensive drug control programs, which include drug-demand and supply reduction and incorporate comprehensive programs on prevention, treatment, and social reintegration, maritime cooperation, chemical control and regulation of controlled substance pharmaceutical products in coordination with other initiatives of the Organization and the General Secretariat.

2. Promotes instruction and ongoing training for different actors—including civil society—involved in the design, implementation, and monitoring of policies and measures for reducing drug supply and demand and for addressing the consequences of drug use.

3. Develops and implements demand-reduction standards and methodologies in coordination with other areas of the General Secretariat, other international agencies, the scientific community, and other relevant actors in this field.

4. Develops and implements supply-reduction measures in coordination with other areas of the General Secretariat, other international agencies, and other relevant actors in this field.

D. The Evidence-Based Drug Policy Section: Information, Design, Implementation, Monitoring and Evaluation and Data Collection and Analysis

1. Assists member states in the design, implementation, and evaluation of national policies to address the world drug problem.

2. Fosters among member states a culture of analysis of their national drug policies, as well as of sectoral policies, programs, and projects in relation to the world drug problem.

3. Administers the Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM), provides technical secretariat services to the Governmental Expert Group and to the Intergovernmental Working Group, and assists member states in implementing recommendations from the MEM process.

4. Develops tools to measure and evaluate processes, effects, and outcomes of policies in relation to the world drug problem, including the deployment of Support Missions.

5. Monitors and evaluates implementation of the Hemispheric Drug Strategy and its accompanying Plan of Action and other important instruments by means of quantitative and qualitative indicators.

6. Administers and coordinates the Inter-American Observatory on Drugs, a mechanism that gathers, analyzes, disseminates information and promotes scientific research on drugs, in an effort to provide evidence for the design and introduction of public policies.

7. Provides assistance to member states in establishing, developing, and strengthening national drug observatories and information systems, and promotes technical training for professionals that work with the data and statistics.

8. Provides continuity and historical memory for member states on CICAD policies and programs.

IV. SECRETARIAT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE AGAINST TERRORISM

A. Structure

1. The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee against Terrorism (S/CICTE) and its dependencies and staff are under the direction, supervision, and control of the Secretary of CICTE, who answers to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security, in accordance with the legal system of the Organization, in particular the Statute and Rules of Procedure of the Inter-American Committee against Terrorism (CICTE) and with the provisions of this Executive Order.

2. The Secretary of CICTE will operate in accordance with the powers granted to them by the relevant standards of the Organization, the CICTE Statute and Rules of Procedure, decisions of the General Assembly, decisions of CICTE, and the Strategic Plan of the SMS.

3. The Secretary of CICTE reports to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security on the administration of the Secretariat's assigned resources and staff.

4. The CICTE Secretariat is composed of the following sections:

- a. Counter-Terrorism Capacity-Building Section; and
- b. The Counter-Terrorism Policy Section.

B. Functions

1. Assists CICTE in promoting multilateral cooperation in the design, implementation, and evaluation of national policies to prevent, combat, eliminate terrorism and address the intersection between terrorism and transnational organized crime (in coordination with the Department Against Transnational Organized Crime) and in executing programs to strengthen the capacity of member states in that regard.

2. Implements and/or facilitates the fulfillment of the mandates of CICTE as set forth in OAS General Assembly resolutions, Statutes, declarations and the work plan of CICTE.

3. Advises the Secretary General and the Assistant Secretary General, through the Secretary for Multidimensional Security, on matters within the purview of the Executive Secretariat, and represents them when so requested.

4. Assists CICTE in the pursuit of the objectives and mandates of the member states on cooperation in measures to prevent, combat, and eliminate terrorism and address the intersection between terrorism and transnational crime in the Hemisphere (in coordination with the Department Against Transnational Organized Crime), *inter alia*, by acting as secretariat and by maintaining communication and coordination, when CICTE is not in session, through the national points of contact of CICTE and the permanent missions of the OAS member states.

5. Prepares and proposes technical assistance, training, and cooperation programs to CICTE to strengthen the antiterrorist capabilities of member states in critical infrastructure protection, cyber security, border security, terrorist financing and UNSCR 1540 implementation, in response to their requirements and requests, in keeping with the work plan approved by CICTE, the mandates set forth in the declarations of CICTE, the CICTE Statutes, and the General Assembly.

6. Serves as Technical Secretariat for CICTE and its groups of experts, as well as for the Inter-American Convention against Terrorism; it also supervises implementation of work plans and hemispheric strategies, as well as of declarations and resolutions adopted in those regards.

7. Participates in its own capacity or by delegation, in the political organs of the Organization and, in the performance of that duty, presents proposals, reports, and documents on its activities to the General Assembly, the Permanent Council, the Committee on Hemispheric Security, CICTE, and other organs and entities of the Organization on behalf of the Secretary General, when the Secretary General so requests.

8. Establishes and maintains cooperative relations with other dependencies of the SMS, and the General Secretariat, as well as with public, private, national, regional, and international organizations with interests similar to those of CICTE, in coordination with the Secretary for Multidimensional Security.

9. Participates, with voice but without vote, in the security meetings of the technical advisory groups of the Inter-American Committee on Ports.

10. Carries out activities to raise and mobilize external funding to finance and promote its programs, projects, and activities, in coordination with the Secretary for Multidimensional Security, and the Strategic Counsel for Organizational Development and Management for Results.

11. Reports to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security on the planning, follow-up, internal communication, oversight, and evaluation of the programs, projects, and activities that it is responsible for implementing, as well as on the development of the procedures needed for the administration of its assigned resources and staff.

C. Counter-terrorism Capacity-Building Section

1. Assists member states in the design, implementation, and evaluation of government policies and programs to strengthen the antiterrorist capabilities of member states.

2. Assists member states in the design and execution of initiatives to strengthen their institutional capacities to prevent and confront cyber-security threats, including their cyber-incident response, and in the development and implementation of the “Inter-American Strategy to Combat Threats to Cybersecurity” as well as other declarations and resolutions in that connection, in conjunction with other OAS entities working on related issues.

3. Coordinates with other areas of the General Secretariat, the political bodies, international and regional governmental organizations, and civil society organizations.

D. Counter-Terrorism Policy Section

1. Assists member states in the design, implementation, and evaluation of national policies to prevent, combat, and eliminate terrorism and in the design and execution of initiatives to strengthen the institutional capacity of member states in that regard.

2. Assists member states in the design and implementation of laws and standards for comprehensively preventing and combating terrorism and in strengthening bilateral and regional cooperation mechanisms in that regard, particularly through implementation of the Inter-American Convention against Terrorism.

3. Provides continuity and historical memory for member states on CICTE policies and programs.

V. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SECURITY

A. Structure

1. The Department of Public Security (DPS) and its dependencies and staff are under the direction, supervision, and control of the director of the DPS, who answers to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security, in accordance with the legal system of the Organization and with the provisions of this Executive Order.

2. The DPS will operate in accordance with the powers granted to it by the relevant standards of the Organization, decisions of the General Assembly, the provisions of this Executive Order, and the Strategic Plan of the SMS.

3. The Director of the DPS reports to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security on the administration of the Department's assigned resources and staff.

4. The DPS is composed of the following sections:

- a. The Prevention of Violence Section; and
- b. The Security and Justice Section

B. Functions

1. Designs and implements initiatives aimed at supporting the efforts of member states to assess, prevent, confront, and respond to threats posed by different manifestations of criminality and violence.

2. Develops evaluation, promotion, and management mechanisms aimed at strengthening the institutional capacity of member states to design and implement public policies that enable them to address the public security needs of the population.

3. Participates, in its own capacity or by delegation, in the political organs of the Organization and in so doing presents proposals, provides follow-up, and submits progress reports in connection with the mandates for whose implementation the DPS is responsible.

4. Provides technical secretariat services for the various political forums determined by international instruments or the mandates contained in General Assembly or Permanent Council resolutions or declarations on public security, including, *inter alia*, forensic investigation and correctional systems.

5. Advises the Secretary General and the Assistant Secretary General, through the Secretary for Multidimensional Security, on matters within the purview of the DPS and represents them when they so request.

6. Establishes and maintains cooperative relations with the dependencies of the General Secretariat and with governmental or nongovernmental, national and international institutions in areas related to its sphere of competence, in coordination with the Secretary for Multidimensional Security.

7. Formulates and promotes cooperation projects designed to strengthen the institutional capacity of member states with regard to public security, takes steps to ensure that those institutions are viable, by either raising financial resources or providing technical assistance, in coordination with the Secretary for Multidimensional Security and the Strategic Counsel for Organizational Development and Management for Results.

8. Reports to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security on the planning, follow-up, internal communication, oversight, and evaluation of the programs, projects, and activities that it is

responsible for implementing, as well as on the development of the procedures needed for the administration of its assigned resources and staff.

9. Provides, upon request, assistance and technical advisory services to member states in the area of humanitarian mine action, including in the design and implementation of public policies, supervision and monitoring activities, risk education, assistance for affected communities in the recovery of de-mined land, and physical and psychological rehabilitation for victims.

C. Prevention of Violence Section

1. Assists member states in the design, implementation, and evaluation of public policies to prevent crime and violence, and in the execution of initiatives to strengthen their institutional capacities in that regard.

2. Prioritizes work with specific population groups (women, children, youth, and migrants) under a holistic approach focusing on both rights and law enforcement, especially in connection with domestic violence and youth violence.

D. Security and Justice Section

1. Assists member states in the design, implementation, and evaluation of public policies that promote access to justice, police professionalization, and modernization of member states' correctional systems, including those oriented toward reintegration and rehabilitation of offenders.

2. Designs and implements evaluation and analysis methodologies for member states' national security systems and puts forward recommendations to help strengthen those systems.

3. Formulates and promotes initiatives to strengthen the institutional capacity of member states in the areas of security and justice.

VI. DEPARTMENT AGAINST TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME

A. Structure

1. The Department Against Transnational Organized Crime (DTOC) and its dependencies and staff are under the direction, supervision, and control of the Director of the DTOC, who reports to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security, in accordance with the legal system of the Organization and the provisions of this Executive Order.

2. The DTOC will operate in accordance with the powers granted to it by the relevant standards of the Organization, decisions of the General Assembly, the provisions of this Executive Order, and the Strategic Plan of the SMS.

3. The Director of the DTOC reports to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security on the administration of the Department's assigned resources and staff.

B. Functions

1. Advises the Secretary General and the Assistant Secretary General, through the Secretary for Multidimensional Security, on matters within the purview of the Department and represents them when they so request.

2. Assists and is assisted by, ES/CICTE, ES/CICAD, and DPS as appropriate, in fulfilling their respective mandates as related to transnational organized crime, and as set forth in OAS General Assembly resolutions, Statutes, declarations and work plans of CICTE, CICAD and DPS.

3. Establishes and maintains cooperative relations with the dependencies of the General Secretariat and with governmental or nongovernmental, national, and international institutions in areas related to its sphere of competence, in coordination with the Secretary for Multidimensional Security. In particular, works with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) to provide technical assistance and training to those OAS member states in need of assistance to comply with the United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime and its three Protocols, the Hemispheric Plan of Action Against Transnational Organized Crime, and the Chapultepec Consensus.

4. Monitors and evaluates implementation of the Hemispheric Plan of Action Against Transnational Organized Crime and other work plans and programs in that area by means of quantitative and qualitative indicators.

5. Participates, in its own capacity or by delegation, in the political organs of the Organization and in so doing presents proposals, provides follow-up, and submits progress reports in connection with the mandates for whose implementation the Department is responsible.

6. Promotes technical and financial assistance for OAS member states to combat transnational organized crime, and to comply with the United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime and its three Protocols, the Hemispheric Plan of Action Against Transnational Organized Crime, and the Chapultepec Consensus.

7. Provides technical secretariat services for the various political forums determined by international instruments or the mandates contained in General Assembly or Permanent Council resolutions or declarations on transnational organized crime, including, *inter alia*, coordination on drug trafficking; trafficking in firearms (including the Inter-American Convention against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Ammunition, Explosives, and Other Related Materials); trafficking in persons; migrant smuggling; counterfeit goods, money laundering; assistance to victims and witnesses. In addition, coordinates with the Secretariat for Legal Affairs, in its capacity as the Technical Secretariat of the MESICIC and of the REMJA Cybercrime Working Group, on those aspects of the relationship between transnational organized crime and corruption and cybercrime.

8. Assists member states in the design and implementation of public policies for confronting and addressing transnational organized crime and its diverse manifestations, including coordination on drug trafficking; illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, ammunition, and

explosives; trafficking in persons; migrant smuggling; counterfeit goods, money laundering; providing protection and assistance to victims and witnesses. Coordinates with the Secretariat for Legal Affairs in order to take advantage of the knowledge generated by the MESICIC and the REMJA Cybercrime Working Group in developing public policies on the relationship between transnational organized crime and corruption and cybercrime.

9. Formulates and promotes cooperation projects designed to strengthen the institutional capacity of member states to combat transnational organized crime and takes steps to ensure that those institutions are viable, by either raising financial resources or providing technical assistance, in coordination with the Secretary for Multidimensional Security and the Strategic Counsel for Organizational Development and Management for Results.

10. Reports to the Secretary for Multidimensional Security on the planning, follow-up, internal communication, oversight, and evaluation of the programs, projects, and activities that it is responsible for implementing, as well as on the development of the procedures needed for the administration of its assigned resources and staff.