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[ENGLISH TEXT – TEXTE ANGLAIS]

COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY ON FIGHTING AGAINST INTERNATIONAL ILLICIT TRAFFICKING IN NARCOTIC DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES

The Government of the United Mexican States and the Government of the Republic of Turkey, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties";

ENCOURAGED by the friendly relations between the two countries;

AWARE of the danger that international illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances poses for public health and well-being of both countries;

WILLING to strengthen and deepen the existing collaboration ties between the competent authorities of the two countries in fighting against international illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and in their chemical precursors, and money laundering related to such crimes;

ACTING by the principle of equality and mutual benefit;

TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION the 1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs as amended by its 1972 Protocol, the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances, and the 1988 United Nations Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances;

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I Scope of the Agreement

- 1. In accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the Parties shall cooperate in prevention and researching of the following crimes:
 - a) illicit cultivation, production, trafficking, transportation, distribution, storing and abuse of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, as well as the chemical precursors used for their production;
 - b) money laundering related to the illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and the diversion of chemical precursors.
- 2. The Parties shall cooperate in the training field related to narcotics in order to improve crime prevention and research skills and to develop the theoretical, practical and legal knowledge and sharing experiences of their staff. For that purpose, the Parties may carry out the following activities:
 - a) organize meetings, to exchange experiences in the areas of research, detection and control of narcotics;
 - exchange of methodology to discover the source of illicit entrance of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances, the diversion of chemical precursors, and money laundering and related information towards the adoption of measures to prevent this activity;
 - exchange of legislative and practical experiences related with the prohibition of illicit traffic and abuse of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and the diversion of chemical precursors;
 - d) organize the exchange of specialists and practitioners as well as organizing professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the illicit traffic of narcotic drugs professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the illicit traffic of narcotic drugs professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the illicit traffic of narcotic drugs professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the illicit traffic of narcotic drugs professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the illicit traffic of narcotic drugs professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the illicit traffic of narcotic drugs professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the illicit traffic of narcotic drugs professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the illicit traffic of narcotic drugs professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the illicit traffic of narcotic drugs professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the illicit traffic of narcotic drugs professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the illicit traffic of narcotic drugs professional trainings in order to raise their specialization level to fight against the professional training professional train

ARTICLE II

Modalities of Cooperation

The cooperation between the Parties shall be developed in accordance with their respective national legislation and may be carried out in the following modalities:

- Exchange of information on any suspicion of crimes, within the framework of this Agreement, which are being planned, prepared, starting or in progress, or crimes committed that may concern the other Party.
- 2. Exchange of information on the location and identification of persons being sought by the law enforcement authorities.
- 3. Exchange of information on the location, identification and examination of persons and objects involved in crimes within the scope of this Agreement.
- 4. Performing controlled deliveries.
- 5. Exchange of information obtained through investigations developed by their respective authorities.
- 6. Exchange of knowledge and expertise, legislative or regulatory documents and relevant scientific and technical information.
- 7. Exchange of experts.
- 8. Organizing Joint Commission Meetings.

ARTICLE III

Competent Authorities

In order to fulfill the provisions of this Agreement the resignated competent authorities shall be:

- a) for the Republic of Turkey:
 - the Ministry of the Interior.

- b) for the United Mexican States:
 - the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
 - the Ministry of Health, and
 - the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic.

ARTICLE IV

Cooperation Procedure

- 1. Requests for cooperation shall be submitted in writing to the competent authorities of the Parties, and shall be accompanied by a translation in the official language of the Requested Party or in English. In case of emergency, requests may be made orally and shall be confirmed in writing immediately thereafter.
 - 2. Requests shall include the following information:
 - a) name of the law enforcement agency conducting the investigation or within whose jurisdiction the matter lies;
 - b) type of the investigation to which the request for cooperation pertains and identities of those involved;
 - c) a description of the type of information or other cooperation being sought;
 - d) purpose for which the information or other cooperation is being requested, and
 - e) deadline for the transmission of the requested information.
- 3. In order to facilitate regular and direct communication, the Parties may establish communication channels between their authorities one, fax, e-mail, or other related means considered viable and safe.