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APPROVED DOCUMENTS – 2005 / 2011

| Documents | Summary |
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| Roadmap | Development of specific policies and strategies to be implemented by countries. |
| Executing Unit | Proposal of a flexible structure for an Executing Unit, as part of the National Regulatory Authority. |
| Indicators | Set of indicators that enables monitoring and evaluation of the national actions. |
| Education Programme | Updated as Workshop for the Discussion of Tools and Generation of Proposals for the Prevention and Combat of Drug Counterfeiting |
| Focal Points Network | To promote effective communication and collaboration among countries through health authorities (updated in 2011) |
| Aspects to be considered for suspecting counterfeit medicines and medical product | It aims at providing common guidelines for action, to be considered by health authorities for the purposes of the definition and execution of actions in suspected counterfeit medical products in the market, based on the experiences observed in countries of the region. |



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ACTIVITIES

- Workshops in Bolivia (2009), Jamaica / CARICON and English-speaking Caribbean (2009), y Costa Rica (2011)
- Updating of the reference and presentation document for the Workshop for the Discussion of Tools and Generation of Proposals for the Prevention and Combat of Drug Counterfeiting (2010 – 2011)
- Development of the Guidance Document Aspects to be considered for suspecting counterfeit medicines and medical product (2011)
- Updating of the reference document of the Focal Points Network (2010 – 2011)



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To help establish the scope of work of the Mechanism, Brazil proposed to build a list of activities, actions and behaviors that result in SSFFC and are of interest to public health and must be prevented and combated.



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Countries approved the idea and designated a list of conducts that result in SSFFC.

The final Document on Conducts approved by the subgroup is not yet available for consultation in the WHO website.



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The decision on what will be the strategy or the future work of the Member States with the support of WHO, derived from each activity, action and behavior listed the Working Group will be discussed at the next meeting of the Mechanism (tentative date in November 2013).

Strategies for the future in PANDRH

Avoid the duplication of efforts in PANDRH and MSM/WHO.

The multilateral discussions and the drafting of guidance and technical documents should be developed within the MSM/WHO.

PANDRH should focus on the promotion of exchange of experiences and collaboration among countries of the region and their challenges.

Moreover, the Network should be a space for coordination of position among countries of the region for the negotiations in multilateral organizations (such as the MSM/WHO).

Strategies for the future in PANDRH

We suggest that continuation of the following activities:

- Discussion Workshops (Jornadas de Discusión)
- Implementation of the Focal Points Network

Strategies for the future in PANDRH

The development of the Workshops (Jornadas de Discusión) must follow the term of reference approved by the VI Conference:

- ✓ Based on a request from the interested country to PAHO, who will be responsible for all the coordination and organization of the work.
- ✓ If necessary, countries might update the contents of the presentations and programme based on agreement in virtual or face to face meetings.

Strategies for the future in PANDRH

In this new context, based on the points presented previously, we suggest a new working dynamics and for the Working Group.

The coordination of the activities that will be executed by PAHO require the technical support of the experts from the National Regulatory Authorities of the countries of the region.

Strategies for the future in PANDRH

- ✓ The implementation of the Focal Points Network should follow the principles outlined in the document approved in the VI Conference.
- ✓ PAHO could collaborate further in the identification of focal points (official contact points in each country) and suggestion of the mechanisms to be further implemented.
- ✓ Countries might assist the work of the WG through virtual or face to face meetings, if necessary.

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