

TOWARDS A REGIONAL CITIZEN SECURITY FRAMEWORK



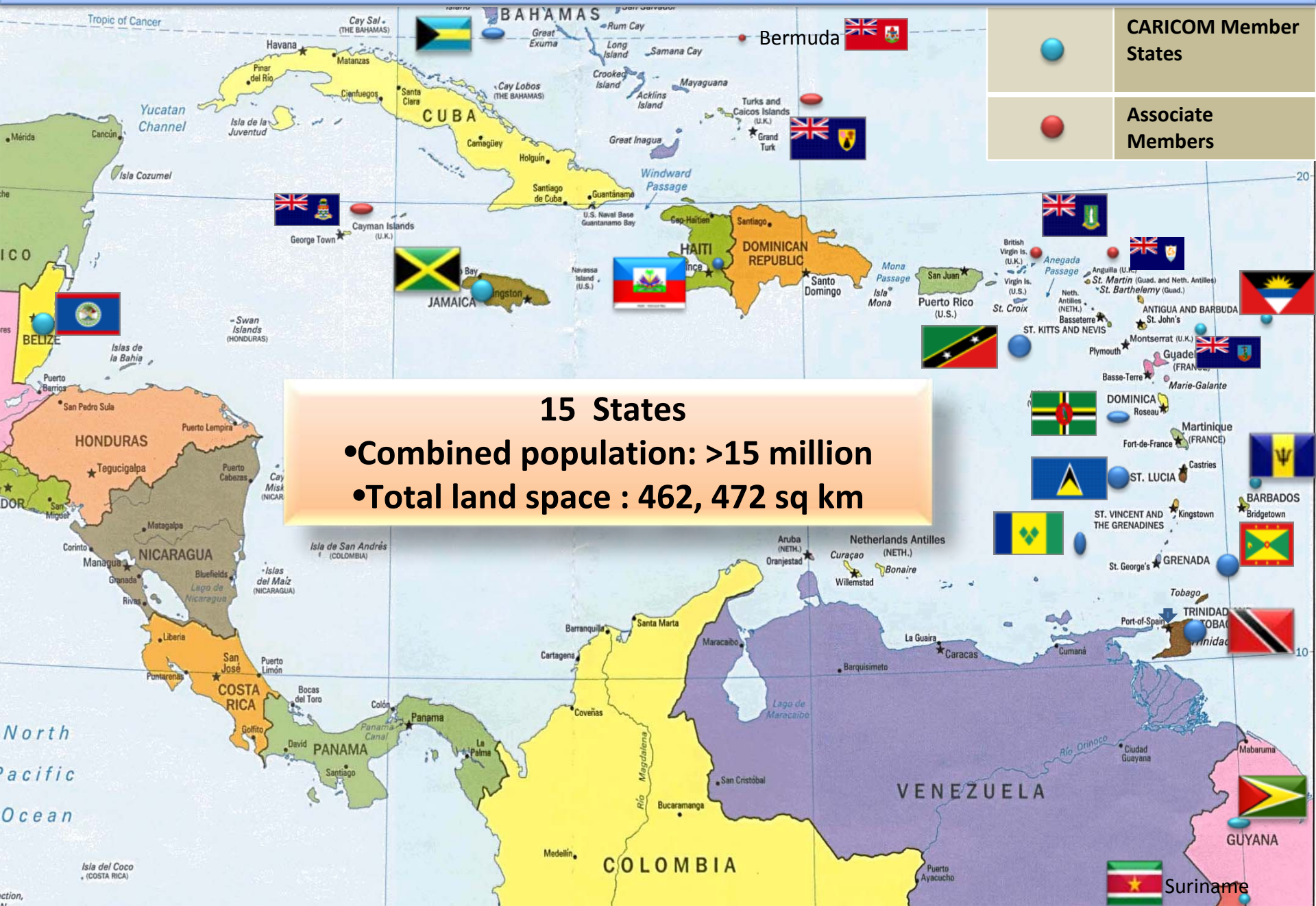
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**THE REGION
AT A GLANCE**

CARICOM STATES



REGIONAL THREAT PERSPECTIVE

CURRENT REALITIES

NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING

IRREGULAR MIGRATION

ARMS TRAFFICKING

TERRORISM

**VIOLENT AND ORGANISED
CRIME**

CYBER CRIMES

PUBLIC HEALTH

CRIMINAL DEPORTEES

CITIZEN SECURITY

Drugs
Trafficking

Arms
Trafficking

Organized
crime

Gang
violence

VIOLENCE

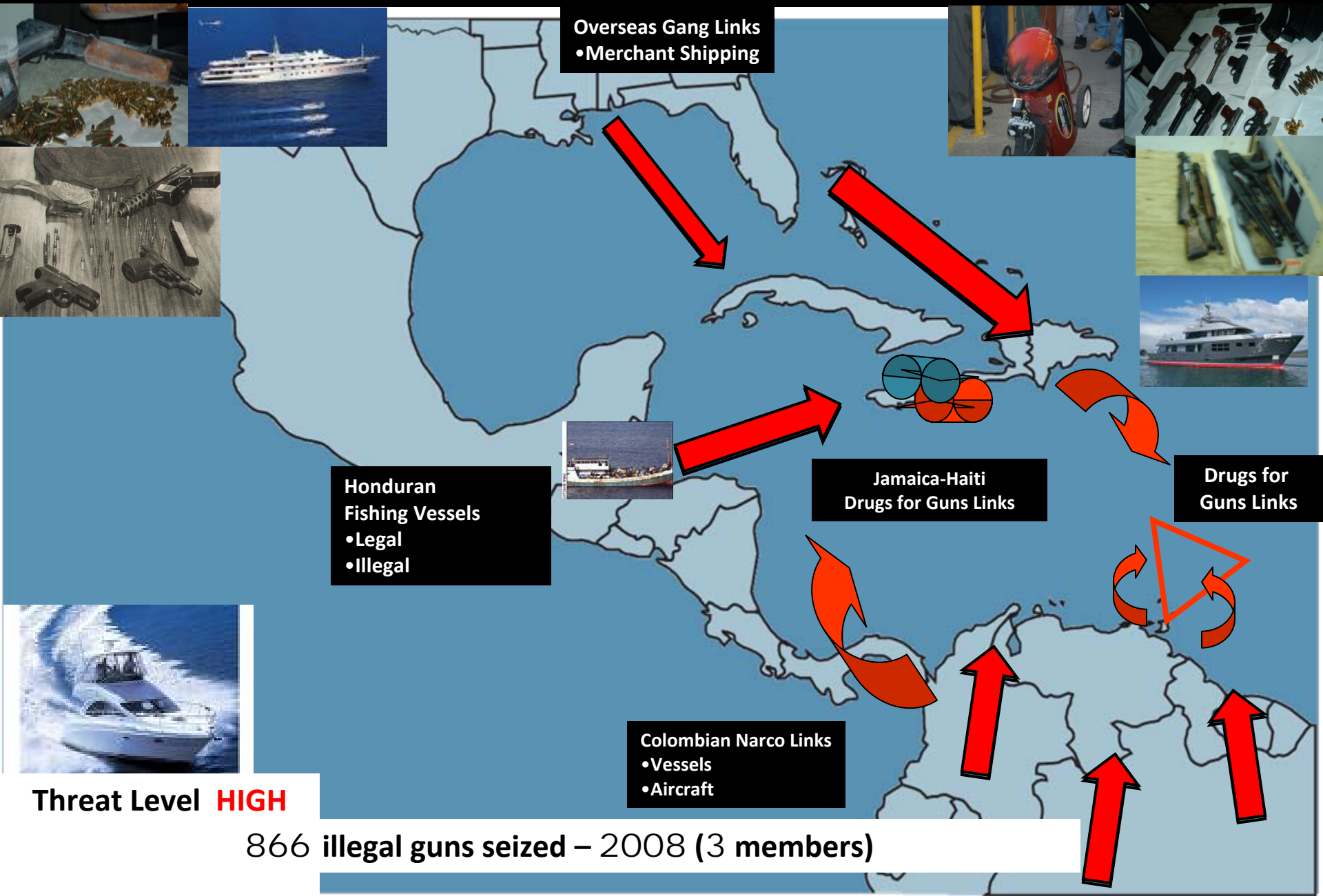
Poverty

Murders

Disasters



ARMS TRAFFICKING



Weapons Seized REGIONALLY

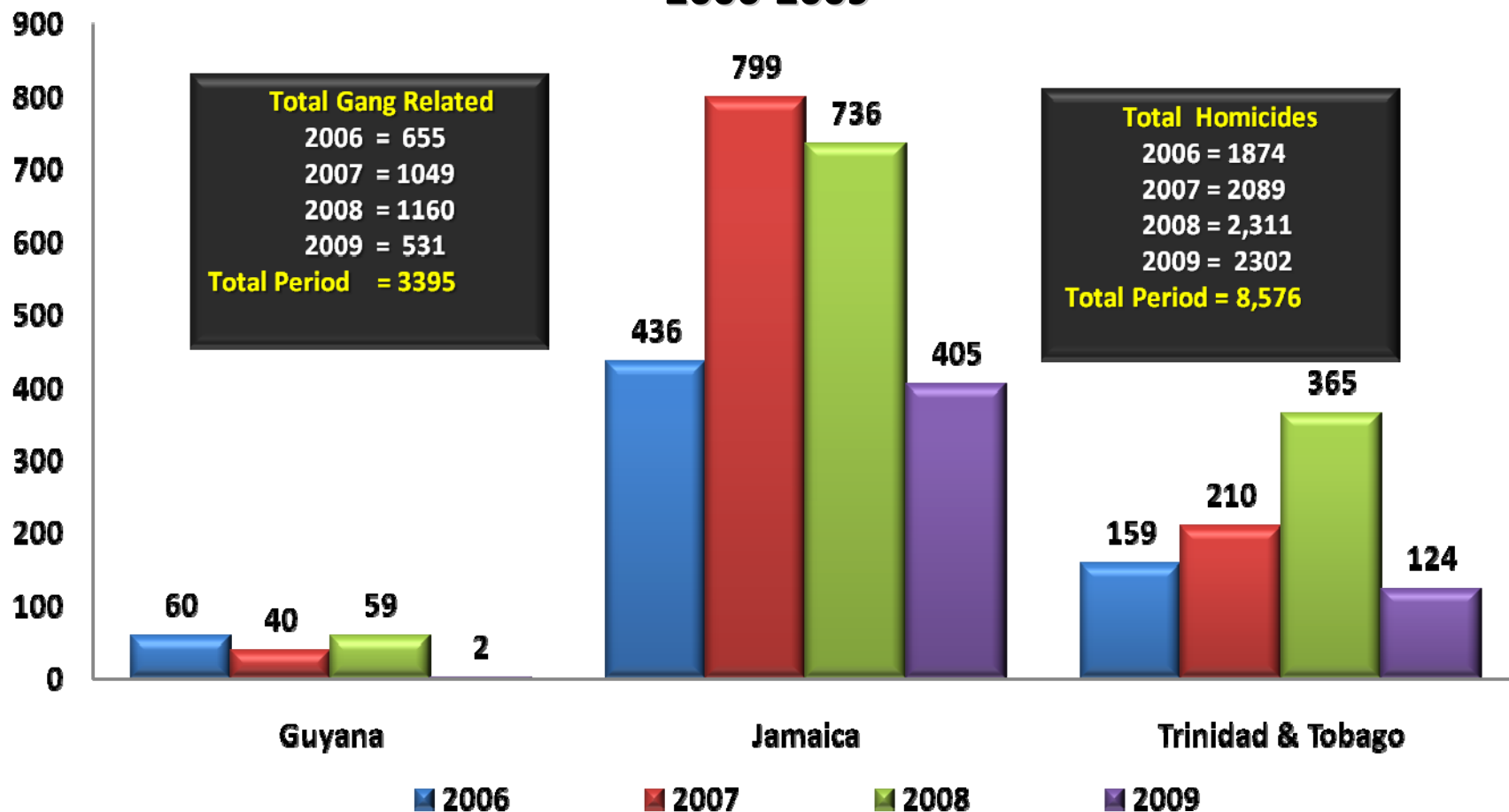






Gang Related Homicide Trends

GANG RELATED HOMICIDE TRENDS IN LARGER MEMBER STATES FOR THE PERIOD 2006-2009



CONFIDENTIAL

CRIMINAL DEPORTEES

CRIMINAL DEPORTEES TO THE REGION FOR THE PERIOD 2006-2010

Countries	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Total
Antigua & Barbuda*	246	255	20	72	DNR	593
Bahamas	58	66	86	134	123	467
Barbados*	40	33	40	90	53	256
Belize*	113	117	128	209		567
Dominica	43	232	148	206	90	719
Grenada	146	209	158	33	134	680
Guyana	242	256	231	144	456	1,329
Trinidad & Tobago	361	354	255	441	328	1,739
Jamaica	3,304	2,984	3,234	3,071	2825	15,418
St. Kitts & Nevis	27	21	11	DNR	6	65
Saint Lucia	345	279	57	19	372	1072
St. Vincent & Grenadines	402	343	222	54	64	1,085
Suriname*	7	8	4	11	DNR	30
Haiti*	300	523	422	DNR	DNR	1245
Total	5,634	5,680	5,016	4,484	4,451	25,265

Note: Data on (9) of the countries represented in the table was obtained from research conducted by Dr. Annemarie Barnes : Beyond Boundaries: A comparative study on Criminal Deportation in the Region. Countries identified with an * are countries that did not report statistics, figures represented in these countries only accounts for deportees from the US, Office of Immigration Statistics.

CRIME FIGURES

OVERALL CRIME FIGURES FOR THE PERIOD 2006-2010

Year	Homicide	Illegal Firearms Seized	Marijuana Seized Kg	Cocaine Seized Kg	Total Narcotics Seized Kg	Criminal Deportees
2006	2,193	1,949	727,103	7,293.1	734,396.1	5,634
2007	2,427 +	2,017 +	219,436 -	4,368 -	223,804 -	5,680 +
2008	2,649 +	1,999 -	212,685 -	6,957 +	219,642 -	5,016 -
2009	2,656 +	2,383 +	189,115 -	5,960 -	195,075 -	4,484 -
2010	2,441 -	2,079 -	560,591 +	7,902 +	568,493 +	4,451 -
Total	12,366	10,427	1,908,929	32,501	1,941,430	25,265

Note: The information in the table above were obtained from the NPC's in Antigua & Barbuda, The Bahamas, Barbados, Belize,¹² Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago, Suriname, St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia. and St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

VIOLENT CRIMES

Current murder rates are significant and have led to advisories being levied against Member States.

Advisories continue to impact the Region's economies and affect the prosperity of Member States particularly those who are dependent on Tourism.

The statistics and trends suggest that in the absence of appropriate intervention at the national and regional levels the crime and violence will continue and the murder rates will increase progressively.

In spite of focussed attention to the Regional Crime & Security Agenda, there remains a perception extra-regionally that political will and commitment are lacking.

The facts:

1

- **33,000** persons identified as being involved in over **350** gangs throughout the Region;

2

- 2006-2010; **10,427** illegal guns were seized across the Region; this represents a small percentage of what is assessed to be on the streets of our capitals;

3

- There has been noticeable movement of known regional and international criminals within the Region; which coincides with the **25,265 criminal deportees** to the region between 2006-2010

4

- Over the period of 2006-2010 over **1,908,929** kg of marijuana and **32,501** kg of cocaine were detected across the Region

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- Over the period of 2006-2009 of the more than **50,000,000** passengers screened against local, regional and international watch-lists, some **5,500** persons were identified as persons of concern



SUMMARY VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT 2001 – PRE-RTFCS

Porous borders

Inefficient frontier control systems

Absence of intelligence and information sharing

Inadequately patrolled coastlines and unmanned airstrips

Under-resourced law enforcement and security agencies

Dearth of intelligence collection capacity

Ineffective evidence collection mechanisms

Deficiencies in Kidnapping and Homicide investigation capacity

Deficiencies in forensic capacity

Sluggish and inefficient judicial systems



SUMMARY VULNERABILITY MITIGATION GAINS - POST CWC 07

Integrated frontier control and intelligence sharing systems

Aggressive intelligence and information sharing

Current focus on introduction of joint aerial and maritime patrol capacity and operations

Current focus on resourcing law enforcement and security agencies

Enhanced capacity in intelligence collection

Current focus on improved evidence collection mechanisms

Increasing focus on standardizing law enforcement, border security and intelligence capacity... ***Region-wide***



CHALLENGES



Challenges



Weak Maritime Capabilities



Resource limitation



Cultural differences



Economic dependence



Weak institutions

Challenges



Legislative loopholes



Slow and archaic judicial processes



Training deficiencies



Inadequate Radar Coverage



Donor aid conditionality



**SOME AREAS
OF SUCCESS**

INTEGRATED SYSTEMS

CARICOM INTELLIGENCE SHARING NETWORK (CISNET – JANUARY 2007)

CARICOM VISA CLEARANCE AND ISSUANCE SYSTEM – FEBRUARY 2007

CARICOM ADVANCE PASSENGER INFORMATION SYSTEM (APIS) – FEBRUARY 2007





INTRA-AGENCY VIDEOCONFERENCE SYSTEM (2008)

CARICOM TRAVEL CARD (*CARIPASS*) SYSTEM (2010)

CARICOM ADVANCE CARGO INFORMATION SYSTEM (ACIS) – 2010

REGIONAL INTEGRATED BALLISTICS INFORMATION NETWORK (RIBIN) (2011)

MAJOR EVENT ACCREDITATION SUPPORT

EVENT	PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES	ACCREDITATION SUPPORT
 <p>FEB – MAY 2007</p>	16	52,535
 <p>APRIL 2009</p>	34	13,383
 <p>NOVEMBER 2009</p>	48	11,839
 <p>APRIL – MAY 2010</p>	12	8,500+

NOTABLE JRCC/RIFC SUCCESSES – 2007 - 2010

Identified 2 Middle Eastern citizens wanted for Fraud. Deported and handed over to country of departure.

Stopped 2 hired assassins travelling to Country A to murder a potential target. Arrested and charged.

Identified a group of individuals who were using CARICOM Special Visa for human trafficking. Arrested by International partner.

Detected and deported Paedophile/ Rapist in the region during CWC 07.

Stopped a known terrorist (deported to the region) from travelling to propagate his form of Islam. Deported to country of origin (Dec 2007).

Identified and arrested a known drug trafficker who was travelling through the region conducting business (January 2008).

Identified a North American wanted by a European NCB on an international warrant for Rape of a Minor. Individual arrested on outbound journey in transit through US (March 2008)

Alerted authorities of Country A of inbound travel of individual wanted by Country A and on InterPol Warrant for Fraud. Individual was arrested by Country A upon arrival. (March 2008)

Stopped, interrogated and arrested subject, a national of Member State A travelling from Member State A to Member State B. Quantity of narcotics found Subject currently imprisoned. (2010)

Subject listed by Member State X for involvement in criminal activities landed, detained and handed over to authorities (2010)

Checks against INTERPOL database revealed that another subject, a national of Belgium, wanted by the Belgium authorities for fraud and forgery, refused entry and returned to port of departure.(2010)

SUMMARY

ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Comprehensive intelligence picture of regional security threats



Culturally relevant regional security strategy and plans which were planned, managed and mainly resourced by CARICOM



Innovative use of technology in the upgrade of the regional border security and intelligence infrastructure



ICT systems designed and implemented by CARICOM resources



Innovative use of technology in the introduction of virtual communications systems to interconnect political, operational and public service stakeholders



Important new cooperative relationships formed with non-traditional international partners





**THE WAY
FORWARD**



CARICOM MOTIVATORS

Acknowledgement that criminal world has no borders, no bureaucracy, and a will to operate with relative impunity



Common threats faced by Caribbean States dictate regional cooperation and international partnership



Advancement of framework for collective action



CARICOM Establishment of Regional Framework for the Management of Crime and Security (2006)



Willing and ready to share in the responsibility for hemispheric security



Ongoing efforts to intensify arrests of illicit trafficking offenders and seizure of their illicit cargoes



Intention for collective approach to result in the institutionalization of a relevant, coherent, balanced, inclusive, multi-level and regional solution to current and future threats

STRATEGIC APPROACH

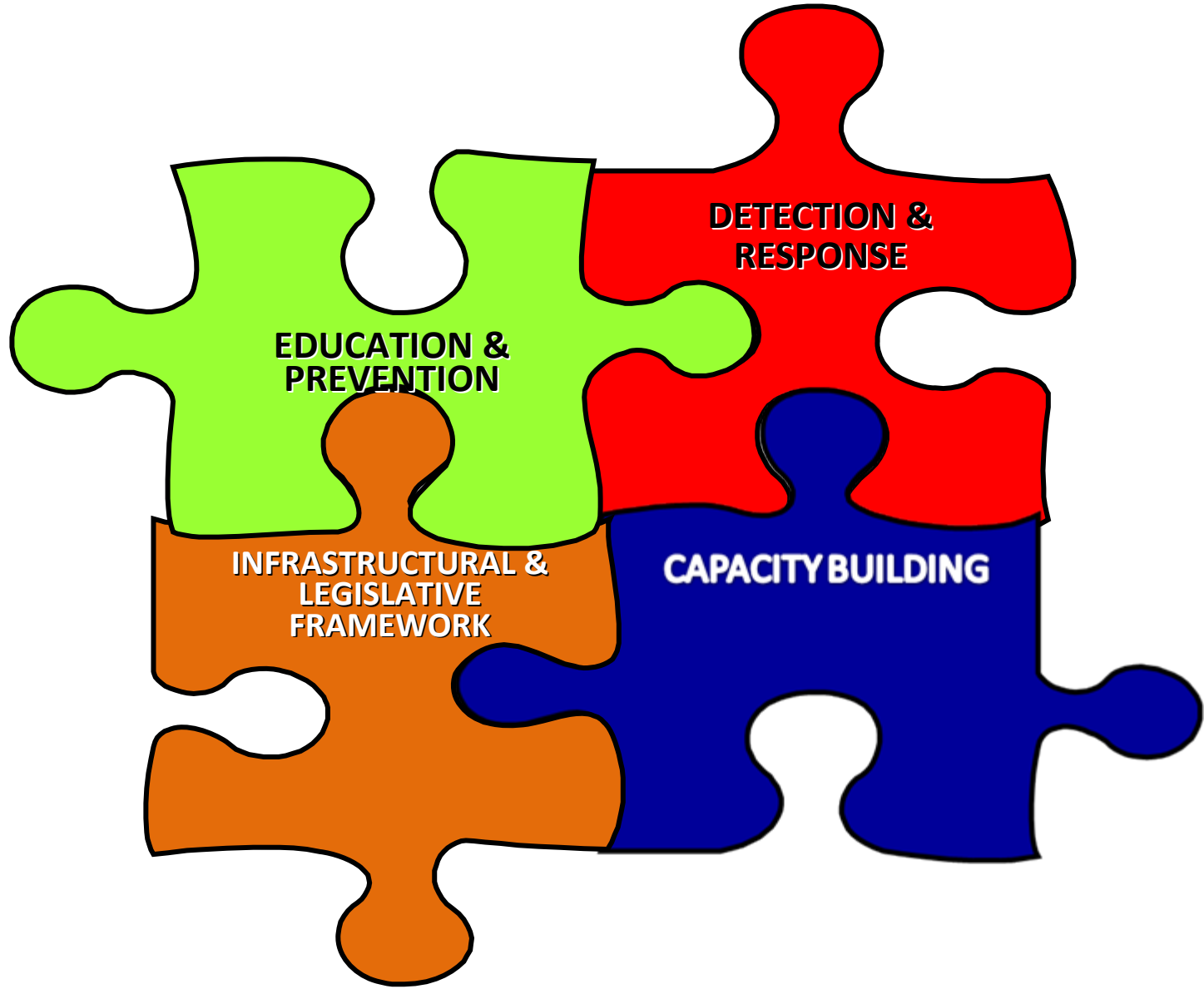
Pool regional resources

Unify focus on shared and emerging threats

Standardize levels of proficiency of human resource capacity

Harmonize operations and legislative framework

HOLISTIC ANTI-CRIME RESPONSES



RELEVANT LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

Inter-Governmental Agreement establishing Framework (2006)

MOU for Intelligence Sharing among CARICOM member States (2006)

Treaty on Mutual Security Assistance (2007)

Model Visiting Forces Act (2007)

Model APIS Legislation (2007)*

CARICOM Airspace and Maritime Security Cooperation Agreement (2007)

CARICOM Arrest Warrant Treaty (2007)

Protocol establishing CONSLE and IMPACS as Treaty entities (2009)

CARIPASS Treaty (2010)

Model CARIPASS Legislation

MOU on Criminal Deportation

MOU on Intelligence Sharing with non-CARICOM entities

Legend: abc – in force; abc – signed but not yet in force; abc – yet to be finalized; * - amendments pending

THE END GAME

DESIRED ENDSTATE

- Effective and comprehensive regional security mechanism
- Well defined Regional Security Plan that includes prevention and detection
- Proactive and effective crime prevention and crime reduction strategies
- Well developed and integrated frontier control/border security systems
 - APIS
 - ACIS
- 360° radar – Monitored 24/7
- Maritime and aerial resources and joint operations to respond to and contain threats to the region
- Enhanced standardized law enforcement and security capacity across regional agencies
- Enhanced investigative capacity supported by forensic science
- Enhanced crime detection and solution rates
- Strong criminal justice systems supported by forensic evidence

THANK YOU QUESTIONS & COMMENTS



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