



# ECONOMIC AND SECURITY IMPLICATION OF INTERNATIONAL DRUG TRAFFICKING

WHAT ROLE FOR AFRICA

WHAT EFFECT ON AFRICA

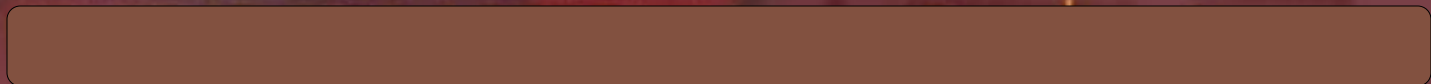
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# ECONOMIC AND SECURITY IMPLICATIONS

## I. Undermining Developmental Objectives:

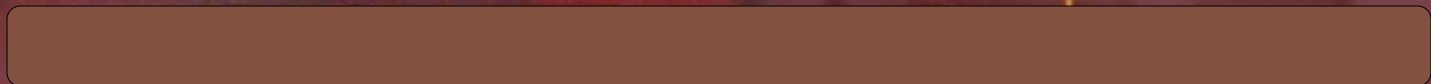
1. Loss of productive population.
2. Corruption
3. Disincentive to foreign investment drive.
4. Money laundering.
5. Inflation.
6. Destroying legitimate businesses.



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## II. Creating Socio-Political Instability/Insecurity

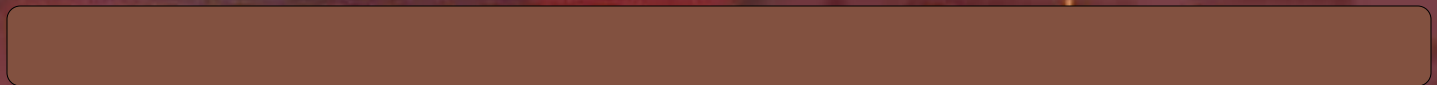
1. Undermine security apparatus; better armed and paid.
2. Jeopardize security; corruption.
3. Enhances political instability; compromise the polity.



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## III. Increase in violent crime and organized criminal activities:

1. Cocaine use increases violent tendencies.
2. Inter-gang conflicts.
3. Rebel funding.
4. Arms trafficking.

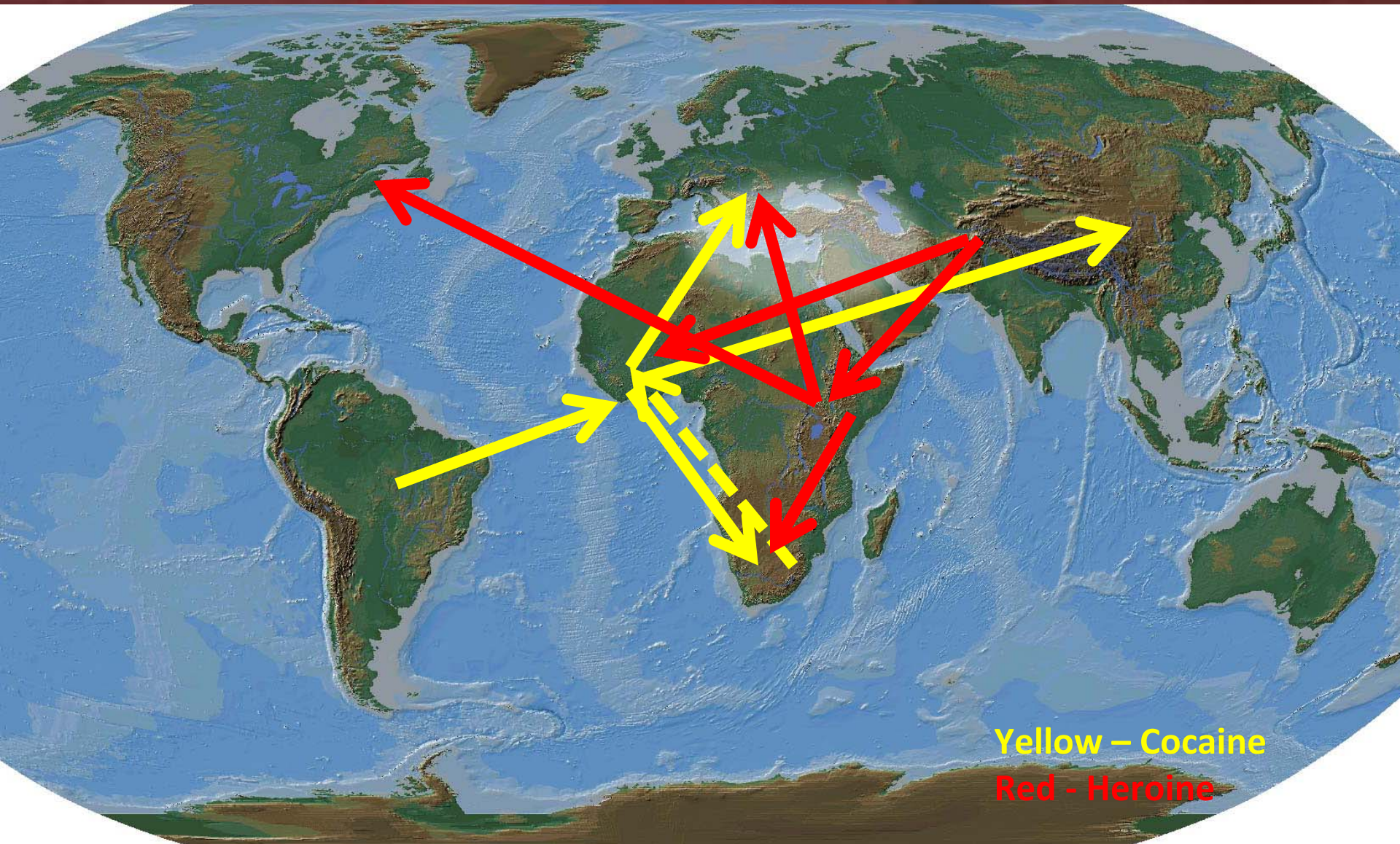


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## Statistics Of Arrests & Seizures (West Africa):

s/n	Country	Mode	Type of drugs	Quantity/ Street value	Number arrested/ source	Date/Time
1	Senegal	Deserted boat – 50 bags of 24kg each	Cocaine	1-2 metric tons, US\$ - 100million	BBC News	29/06/07 15:36hrs
2.	Off The Coast of West Africa	Ship arrested by British Royal Navy	Cocaine	(\$60 Million)	BBC News	06/10/06 18:46GMT
3.	Boke in Guinea	Small aircraft landed in Boke town, early morning, arrested by Governor Mayor & Top Police officers	Cocaine	Large value	BBC News	05/09/08 09:14GMT
4.	Liberia Coast	Ship off the coast of Liberia, 92 barrels, Ship spotted by French military vessel	Cocaine	Barrels containing 2.5 tonnes	BBC News	01/02/08 17:00GMT
5.	Sierra Leone	Police after seizing a plane loaded with cocaine at an airport outside capital with fake Red Cross logo, pilot fled with no resistance from security operatives. 7 AK47 and 4 AK48 rifles, 339 rounds of cartridges	Cocaine	60kg (\$54 Million)	8 persons arrested 3 Columbians, 2 Mexicans 1 Venezuelan and 1 US citizen	13/07/08 22:22GMT

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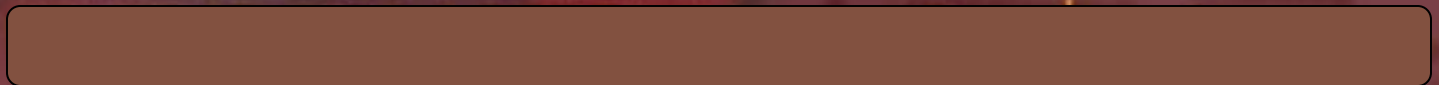


# THE ROLE OF AFRICA

1. Proximity to drug source countries (South America and Asia).
2. Vulnerability & susceptibility of Africa to infiltration.
3. Coordinated plan of action backed by political will and commitment.
4. Adequate funding of anti-narcotic police.
5. Strong anti-narcotic laws and money laundering.
6. Strengthening of security networking among African countries.
7. Uplifting general well being of African people.

# EFFECTS ON AFRICA

1. Rise in violent crime and arms trafficking.
2. Increase in drug abuse.
3. False economic boom and prosperity.
4. Safe haven for drug criminals.
5. Distortion of political fabrics





# THE WAY FORWARD

1. Results oriented plans and strategy.
2. Effective policing of African borders.
3. Capacity building for Anti-Narcotics agents.
4. Adequate funding/equipping of Anti-Narcotics operations.
5. Good remuneration of officers.

