

UNAFEI WORK PROGRAMME FOR 1998

I. TRAINING

A. The 108th International Seminar

UNAFEI will hold the 108th International Seminar from 26 January to 27 February 1998. The Seminar will focus on the main theme, "Current Problems in the Combat of Organized Transnational Crime," recognizing that the Tenth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders will take up the issue as an important theme. In light of the growing threat by organized transnational crime at both national and international levels, the Seminar will examine the current situation of organized crime and legislation against such crime as well as the problems faced by criminal justice agencies in the participating countries.

B. The 109th International Training Course

The 109th International Training Course will be held from 13 April to 3 July 1998 with the main theme of "Effective Treatment Measures for Prisoners to Facilitate Their Re-integration into Society". The smooth re-integration of discharged offenders into society relies upon the establishment, proper implementation, and strengthening of treatment programs within and without the prison walls. Thus, correctional treatment in prisons, release systems, and treatment in the community must be designed to supplement and complement each other in order to secure the re-integration of prisoners into the community, as well as to benefit the community which will receive them after release. Thus, in this Training Course, these issues will be discussed from the perspective of the participating countries in terms of the actual situation, problems and countermeasures.

C. The 110th International Training Course

The 110th International Training Course, "Effective Countermeasures against Economic Crime and Computer Crime", is scheduled to be held from 31 August to 20 November 1998. Participants are expected to analyze the present situation of economic crime and computer crime; explore overall strategies by criminal justice agencies worldwide to the problems by said crimes; and deepen their understanding of the relevant United Nations instruments.

II. TECHNICAL COOPERATION

A. Bangladesh-UNAFEI Joint Seminar

From 14 to 18 March 1998, the Bangladesh-UNAFEI Joint Seminar on Contemporary Problems in the Criminal Justice System and Administration will be held in the Bangladeshi capital city of Dhaka. The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh through the Ministry of Home Affairs and UNAFEI will organize the Joint Seminar.

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B. India-UNAFEI Joint Seminar

In December 1998, the India-UNAFEI Joint Seminar will be held in Delhi. The Government of the Republic of India through the National Institute of Criminology and Forensic Science of the Ministry of Home Affairs and UNAFEI will organize the Joint Seminar.

C. Regional Training Programmes

1. Kenya

From July to October 1998, one UNAFEI professor will be dispatched to Kenya to assist the Children's Department of the Ministry of Home Affairs and National Heritage in a project to develop nationwide standards for the treatment of juvenile offenders.

2. Sixth Regional Training Course on Effective Countermeasures against Drug Offences and the Advancement of Criminal Justice Administration

In March 1998, one UNAFEI professor will travel to Thailand to assist the Royal Thai Government and the Office of the Narcotics Control Board (ONCB) in organizing the Sixth Regional Training Course on Effective Countermeasures against Drug Offences and the Advancement of Criminal Justice Administration. Approximately 20 participants from various Asia-Pacific countries will attend the two-week course and will discuss drug-related issues identifying the actual problems in the participating countries. Discussion topics in the Course will included the improvement of investigative techniques, effective measures against money laundering, the implementation of the Vienna Convention, international cooperation, and the treatment of drug offenders.

III. OTHER ACTIVITIES INTERREGIONAL GOVERNMENTAL EXPERT MEETING ON "INVESTIGATION AND PROSECUTION OF COMPUTER NETWORK CRIME"

UNAFEI will organize and host the interregional governmental expert meeting on "Investigation and Prosecution of Computer Network Crime" in October 1998 during the 110th International Training Course. This expert meeting will be convened in preparation for the Workshop on "Crimes Related to the Computer Network" of the Tenth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders. UNAFEI willingly assumed this responsibility in response to a request made during the Twelfth Co-ordination Meeting of the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme Network held in Courmayeur, Italy in 1997.