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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
and
PARAGUAY**

Agreement on the control of the unlawful use of and illicit trafficking in narcotics and other dangerous drugs. Signed at Asunción on 26 October 1972

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE
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PARAGUAY**

Accord sur la lutte contre l'usage et le trafic illicites des stupéfiants et autres drogues dangereuses. Signé à Asunción le 26 octobre 1972

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AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF PARAGUAY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON THE CONTROL OF THE UNLAWFUL USE OF AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING IN NARCOTICS AND OTHER DANGEROUS DRUGS

The Government of the Republic of Paraguay and the Government of the United States of America, which are Parties to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961² and to other international agreements on the control of the unlawful use of and the illicit trafficking in narcotics and other dangerous drugs;

Recognizing that drug addiction constitutes a serious danger to all mankind and that it is necessary to achieve the satisfactory cooperation of all states in the fight against the production of and illicit trafficking in such drugs;

Affirming their desire and intention to work together toward the adoption of the necessary measures to suppress the smuggling of narcotics and other dangerous drugs;

Considering that the territory of both the United States and Paraguay is subject to being used by criminals of various nationalities for illicit trafficking in and smuggling of narcotics;

Believing that the collaboration in Paraguayan territory of representatives of United States Government agencies particularly concerned with narcotics control is an important step in the creation of an effective program of cooperation;

Agree as follows:

Article I. As a matter of fundamental priority, the two governments will make every possible effort to cooperate in the elimination of the production, trafficking, smuggling, processing, and storage of narcotics within their respective territories, and especially across their borders with any other country, taking all necessary measures to this end.

Article II. The Government of Paraguay will increase the number of police, customs, and other agents that may be required to prevent the illicit trafficking and smuggling of narcotics.

To this end, the Government of the United States will cooperate in such fields as training, advising, and other mutually agreed support with a view to making the programs of the Paraguayan Government in this regard more effective.

Article III. The two Governments agree to concentrate special attention on the swift apprehension of persons involved in the illicit trafficking in and smuggling of dangerous drugs and narcotics.

Article IV. The activities of United States Government Agents stationed in Paraguay will be coordinated by mutual agreement between the two Governments and their operations will be subject to Paraguayan laws and regulations.

Article V. The two Governments will exchange information on the activities to which this Agreement refers, particularly concerning investigations, arrests, seizures,

¹ Came into force provisionally on 26 October 1972 by signature, and definitively on 11 January 1973, the date on which the Government of Paraguay informed the Government of the United States of America of its ratification, in accordance with article VIII.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 520, p. 151.

and movement of dangerous drugs, and individuals suspected of being engaged in illicit trafficking.

Article VI. The two Governments will undertake to give their maximum support to the United Nations and to multilateral programs to combat drug abuse and suppress illicit trafficking in narcotics. In like manner, they will stand ready to cooperate fully with the International Narcotics Control Board created by the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961.

Article VII. The two Governments will establish a joint planning committee to serve as a means of policy liaison in furthering the programs which are to be carried out in implementation of the terms of this Agreement.

Article VIII. In accordance with article 25 of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties,¹ this Agreement will be applied provisionally from the day of its signature and will enter into force definitively on the date on which the Government of Paraguay, once the appropriate constitutional procedures have been carried out, informs the Government of the United States of its ratification.

SIGNED, in two copies of equal authenticity, in the Spanish and English languages at the City of Asunción, capital of the Republic of Paraguay, this twenty-sixth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and seventy-two.

For Paraguay:

[Signed]

RAÚL SAPENA PASTOR

For the United States:

[Signed]

GEORGE W. LANDAU

¹ United Nations, document A/CONF.39/27, 23 May 1969, and corrigenda: 1 (English only), 2 (French only), 3 and 5 (Russian only) and 4 (Spanish only).