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INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL BOARD (INCB) VISIT TO
GUYANA

Vice President and Minister of Public Security, Hon. Khemraj Ramjattan, welcomed a team from the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB), Dr. Raul Martin del Campo and Mr. Stefano Berterame at his Office in Brickdam, December 5, 2017,



In photo: Hon. Khemraj Ramjattan, Dr. Raul Martin del Campo and Mr. Stefano Berterame (right and left of the Minister) and representatives of the Ministry of Public Security, National Anti-Narcotics Agency (NANA)

The Hon. Minister informed the representatives of the Government's efforts in addressing drug trafficking and illicit production of drugs, including, the establishment of the National Anti-Narcotics Agency (NANA), with the following responsibilities:

1. Planning and implementation of national drug policies;
2. To reinforce the national Drug Information Network (DIN) to improve national drug information systems and rationalise strategies;
3. Implementing the 2016 -2020 National Drug Strategy Master Plan (NDSMP) which addresses Demand Reduction, Supply Reduction, Control Measures, Institutional Strengthening and Policy Coordination as well as International Cooperation.

The Hon. Minister also informed the team of those projects under the purview of the Ministry of Public Security to advance citizen security in Guyana including:

1. UNDP project- Strengthening Evidenced-based Decision Making for Citizen Security in the Caribbean – CariSECURE, aimed at improving the quality, comparability, reliability and use of our information management systems to inform citizen security policy and programme.
2. COPOLAD (Cooperation Programme between Latin America, the Caribbean and the European Union on Drugs Policies) project that will strengthen the capacity of National Drug Observatories (NDO) to elaborate their National Report.

The meeting also discussed other areas of assistance that can further strengthen law enforcement agencies in addressing drug trafficking and illicit production of drugs.

The general role of the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB) is to promote Government's compliance with the international drug control conventions and to monitor the functioning of the international drug control system in the interest of the international community.

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