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**WORKING GROUP 2 : TRANSNATIONAL ASPECTS OF CITIZEN SECURITY**

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**Recommendations**

1. Revising our legal framework so that it considers the transnational aspects of criminal organizations (drug trafficking, human trafficking, money laundering, cybercrime, etc.) and, by making our legislation compatible, help execute multinational operations to prosecute and punish offenders;
2. Making it obvious that we must work together to prevent and fight crime, and this work of prevention must be territorially based, considering the circumstances of each region and locality;
3. Revising our legal framework so that local governments are responsible for preventing crimes, especially those involving drugs;
4. Ensuring that sufficient resources are allocated so that local governments can deal effectively with this responsibility for prevention;
5. Ensuring that, in allocating funds for prevention, a percentage is always set aside to evaluate the prevention programs executed;
6. Finally, aware of the need for more research and evaluation of prevention practices and publicity for effective ones, we recommend asking the OAS to establish a body that would identify and analyze the factors which lead to drug abuse, to support the development, implementation and evaluation of local prevention programs.