

C) Country and region specific recommendations

The Board calls upon the Governments of all **African countries** to **strengthen their national mechanisms for precursor control** and to **cooperate** with the Governments of other countries in the region and relevant international bodies in that regard. (AR/2009/R37) (AR/2007/R14)

The Board calls on the Governments of all **countries in Africa** to **strengthen their controls over the import of precursors of ATS and the movement of such precursors within their territory**. (AR/2007/R15)

Although **Africa** is not a major destination for **acetic anhydride**, the Board urges all Governments in the region to **prevent any possible threats by trafficking organizations seeking new sources of the substance**. (PRE/2008/P78)

In view of the existing drug abuse and trafficking situation in **Africa**, the Board calls upon the Governments of countries in the region to **remain vigilant** with regard to all shipments of **anthranilic acid and N-acetylanthranilic acid**. (PRE/2007/P81)

As **methylenedioxymethamphetamine (MDMA, commonly known as “ecstasy”)** laboratories have been dismantled in **Egypt** and **South Africa** in the past and traffickers are utilizing countries in **Africa** to divert other precursors of **ATS**, authorities in the region should **remain vigilant**. (PRE/2006/P90)

The Board **is concerned** that **African** countries are being used as **trans-shipment points** for **ephedrine** and **pseudoephedrine** shipments that are organized by international criminal networks and are destined for **North America**. (PRE/2006/P77)

The Board urges the Government of **Afghanistan** to continue to work with the international community to prevent such diversions and smuggling. (AR/2008/R32)

All Governments are encouraged, with a view to **facilitating the appropriate investigations**, to notify the Government of **Afghanistan** and the Board of any orders for the export of **acetic anhydride** to **Afghanistan**. (PRE/2009/P109) (PRE/2007/P77)

The Board urges the Government of **Afghanistan** to take additional measures, including formally prohibiting the importation of **acetic anhydride**, to **control some non-scheduled chemicals** that are used in the illicit manufacture of heroin, to **strengthen cooperation with foreign partners** in enhancing the capacity of the national competent authorities and to **adequately report to the Board detailed information** on seizures of chemicals. (PRE/2008/P98)

The Board reminds all exporting countries of the **need to thoroughly check all shipments of scheduled chemicals to countries neighbouring Afghanistan**. In addition, **further measures to prevent the diversion of acetic anhydride from domestic manufacture and commerce are necessary** in all countries, but particularly in member States of the **European Union** and in countries in **East Asia**. (PRE/2008/P97)

In view of recent developments (between 2008-12 the Government of **Afghanistan** communicated seven incidents (PRE/2013/P115)

involving ammonium chloride, seizing nearly 1.8 tons), the Board encourages the Government of Afghanistan : to assess its legitimate requirements for ammonium chloride and other substances not under international control that can be used in the illicit manufacture of heroin ; and, pursuant to article 24 of the 1988 Convention, to monitor its trade in those substances.	
The Board urges all Governments in the Americas to continue monitoring the licit trade in precursors of amphetamine-type stimulants , including ephedrine and pseudoephedrine traded in the form of pharmaceutical preparations .	(PRE/2008/P50)
The Board calls on the Governments of all countries in the Americas to continue to closely monitor shipments of ergot alkaloids originating in Europe, in order to prevent their diversion for use in the illicit manufacture of LSD .	(PRE/2007/P82)
The Board encourages the Governments of countries in Central and South America to strengthen their mechanisms for monitoring trade in precursor chemicals and work together with the Board in identifying all the precursors and methods used in the illicit manufacture of amphetamine-type stimulants .	(AR/2008/R33)
The Board wishes to warn the authorities of countries in Central America and the Caribbean about the increasing number of incidents involving illicit cocaine manufacture in the region and the need to increase efforts to counter the illicit manufacture of that drug before it takes root.	(PRE/2013/P98)
The Board urges all countries in the region (Central and South America) to establish appropriate mechanisms to allow for real-time exchange of information , not only with regard to shipments [of potassium permanganate] in international trade, but also with regard to interceptions and seizures of smuggled consignments.	(PRE/2004/P70)
The Board urges other countries in [South America] to remain on the alert against possible diversions of acetic anhydride for use in the illicit manufacture of heroin .	(PRE/2000/P99)
Asian authorities should remain particularly alert with regard to precursors of methaqualone .	(PRE/2005/P74)
The Board urges the Government of Bangladesh to closely monitor trade in ephedrine and pseudoephedrine, including imports in the form of raw material for formulation into pharmaceutical preparations and subsequent re-export in that form .	(PRE/2010/P37)
The Board encourages the Government of Canada to adopt the measures necessary to prevent the diversion of precursors arranged through broker companies .	(PRE/2007/P49)
The Board notes with appreciation the continuing efforts of the authorities of China to effectively prevent the diversion and trafficking of chemicals, including non-scheduled chemicals , destined for the illicit manufacture of drugs.	(PRE/2014/P51)
The Board calls upon [China and India], and Myanmar , to further expand their operational activities, through cross-border meetings at the working level, as described in its report for 1999 on the implementation of article 12.	(PRE/2000/P105)
The Board also welcomes the concluding in October 2004 of a memorandum of understanding between the	(PRE/2004/P39)

<p>authorities of China and the Netherlands on effective cooperation to prevent the diversion of certain substances in Table I of the 1988 Convention. The Board wishes to encourage other Governments to consider concluding similar agreements, whenever necessary.</p>	
<p>The Board urges the competent authorities of the Netherlands, who have most frequently seized the substance (3,4-MDP-2-P) and conducted investigations, to make every effort to enable such information-sharing with the competent authorities of China.</p>	(PRE/2001/P56)
<p>The Board urges the Chinese and South African authorities to conduct a joint investigation into the cases (4 tons of methaqualone powder and over 100 million methaqualone tablets seized in South Africa during 2003). Such a combined investigation is essential, as methaqualone powder and tablet presses seized during 2004 in South Africa also allegedly originated in China.</p>	(PRE/2004/P150)
<p>Governments in Europe should take note of the existence of such laboratories and introduce appropriate mechanisms to prevent and detect the illicit processing of cocaine.</p>	(PRE/2002/P74)
<p>Governments in the European region should monitor the situation (ephedrine, pseudoephedrine being increasingly being found in illicit laboratories in Europe) carefully in order to avoid the emergence of problems similar to those encountered in North America and South-East Asia.</p>	(PRE/2005/P25)
<p>The Board wishes to urge countries in [Eastern Europe] to be vigilant in identifying diversions that may be taking place and also in taking action to locate and dismantle any laboratories involved in illicit manufacture of drugs.</p>	(PRE/2000/P115)
<p>The authorities of India are encouraged to continue with their efforts to prevent the illicit manufacture of [methaqualone] in their country.</p>	(PRE/2006/P130)
<p>The Board encourages the Governments of India and Myanmar to make full use of cross-border operational meetings to achieve similar successes.</p>	(PRE/2001/P91)
<p>The Board appreciates the contribution by the Government of Iraq towards stopping suspicious shipments. However, the Board also wishes to express its concerns about the lack of follow-up investigations to identify those responsible for placing the suspicious orders in the country.</p>	(PRE/2010/P78)
<p>The Board also calls upon all States to assist the Government of Iraq in ensuring that its territory is not used for the diversion of acetic anhydride.</p>	(PRE/2010/P89)
<p>The Board notes and commends the increasing alertness of competent authorities towards shipments of potassium permanganate to regions other than Latin America, in particular those along cocaine trafficking routes.</p>	(PRE/2010/P68)
<p>While investigations are ongoing, INCB wishes to commend the Lebanese authorities for those seizures (the dismantling of a laboratory in Dar El Wasiaa village in December 2015 and the seizure of chemicals and equipment, which seemed to suggest that some chemical synthesis may have taken place in that laboratory).</p>	(PRE/2016/P83)
<p>As traffickers are apparently experiencing difficulties in obtaining ephedrine and pseudoephedrine, the chemicals of</p>	(PRE/2006/P92)

choice for the illicit manufacture of methamphetamine , it is possible that they will turn to phenylacetic acid as a replacement ; the Governments of all countries in the region (Mexico and the United States) should therefore ensure that adequate controls are in place to monitor and control that substance .	
The Board urges the Moroccan authorities to remain vigilant and to ensure that importing companies [of potassium permanganate] have legitimate requirements and that neither shipments nor portions thereof are diverted.	(PRE/2004/P68)
The Board urges the Government [of Myanmar] to initiate appropriate follow-up investigations , in close cooperation with the Governments of the neighbouring countries, to identify the original sources of the acetic anhydride seized , in order to address the ongoing diversions and smuggling in the region.	(PRE/2002/P86)
While commending the Nepalese authorities for the seizure, INCB encourages the authorities to review the annual legitimate requirements for imports of pseudoephedrine into Nepal (currently 5,000 kg) and amend them on the basis of the most recent market data. INCB encourages all other countries to regularly review and update, as required, the annual legitimate requirements for imports of a number of amphetamine-type stimulants precursors as well.	(PRE/2016/P70)
The Board urges the competent authorities of Pakistan to launch investigations into the export of pharmaceutical preparations from their country to ensure that similar diversions to other countries have not taken place.	(PRE/2003/P78)
The Board urges the authorities of [Panama], as well as others in the region, to fully develop intelligence relating to that seizure, in order to detect similar shipments being smuggled through the country.	(PRE/2003/P104)
The Board wishes to reiterate its warning to countries in the region (Panama) about the increasing number of incidents involving illicit cocaine manufacture in the region and the need to increase efforts to counter the illicit manufacture of that drug before it takes root.	(PRE/2014/P173)
With illicit precursor manufacture being identified in the Russian Federation and Ukraine and with such manufacture possibly taking place in Lithuania , the Board urges Governments in Europe to take steps, especially by launching backtracking investigations , to identify and dismantle such operations.	(PRE/2004/P108)
The Board urges the Thai authorities to bear in mind the need for vigilance against the threat of smuggling of [acetic anhydride] such as that encountered in other countries in the region.	(PRE/2001/P56)
INCB regrets that South Africa has effectively stopped providing mandatory seizure information on precursors in 2008, and regrets that the Board has not been able to confirm seizure information available on official government websites . INCB encourages the South African authorities to fulfil their international obligations and their role as an important partner in countering illicit drug manufacture and precursor trafficking.	(PRE/2016/P66)
The Board therefore urges the Governments concerned with [Ephedrine in Yugoslavia] to work together and make every effort to identify the source of the ephedrine seized.	(PRE/2002/P94)