**B) PEN Online**

INCB urges Governments that have not yet done so to register with the PEN Online system without further delay. INCB also urges all registered users of PEN Online to use the system actively and systematically and to notify the importing country of every planned shipment prior to dispatching it. Receiving authorities are also advised to follow up on the information available in order to ensure that there are no doubts about the legitimacy of the end use of shipments.

INCB wishes to remind all Governments to use the PEN Online system for the notification of all planned exports of substances in Table I or II of the 1988 Convention, since that system represents the most efficient and effective way for the authorities of exporting and importing countries worldwide to communicate with each other.

The Board reminds all Governments exporting scheduled chemicals to countries that have invoked article 12, paragraph 10 (a), of the 1988 Convention of their obligation to provide notification of such shipments prior to departure, and recommends using the PEN Online system for such notifications, pursuant to Security Council resolution 1817 (2008).

INCB encourages the authorities of all importing countries, as a minimum, to review all incoming pre-export notifications and to respond to them in those cases where a response is explicitly requested by the exporting country’s authorities.

The Board encourages all Governments to actively review pre-export notifications sent to their country and to communicate any objection to these in a timely manner via the PEN Online system in order to maintain an unbroken chain of monitoring trade in chemicals.

The Board also urges all PEN Online users to make sure that, at a minimum, they review incoming pre-export notifications through the system in a timely manner, thus ensuring that the receipt of the pre-export notifications are acknowledged to the sending authority.

The Board continues to remind all importing Governments to use the reply function of the PEN Online system to provide feedback to the authorities of exporting countries. This applies particularly in the event that a transaction appears suspicious, additional time is required for checking its legitimacy, or the exporting authority has specifically requested such feedback.
The Board urges all exporting countries to use the PEN Online system regardless of whether the Government of the importing country has registered to use the system or has invoked article 12 of the Convention, requiring pre-export notification. (PRE/2012/P156) (PRE/2011/P157) (AR/2011/R12)

INCB commends all exporting Governments that use PEN Online actively and systematically, that is, Governments that notify the authorities of importing countries of every planned export prior to dispatching it, including exports of pharmaceutical preparations containing ephedrine or pseudoephedrine. At the same time, INCB would like to remind the authorities of exporting countries to allow sufficient time, typically between 5 and 10 working days, for the importing country’s authorities to verify the legitimacy of a shipment. (PRE/2016/P38) (PRE/2015/P32) (PRE/2014/P66) (PRE/2011/P20) (AR/2011/R18) (AR/2006/R23)

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The Board urges all countries to utilize the PEN Online system to advise on exports of ephedrine and pseudoephedrine in all forms, whether raw or formulated into preparations. (PRE/2009/P61) (PRE/2009/P104)

The Board urges the Central African Republic, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Guinea, Madagascar, the Niger and Togo to join the system. Countries in other regions, including Armenia, Belize, Indonesia and Iraq, are also encouraged to use PEN Online. (PRE/2010/P23)

The Board urges those Governments that have registered with PEN Online and trade in precursors, such as Aruba, Bangladesh, Barbados, the Congo, Cyprus, Honduras, Kyrgyzstan, Mali, Myanmar, Nicaragua and the Republic of Moldova, to make active use of the system. (PRE/2010/P22)

INCB welcomes the invocations by the three countries (Georgia, Myanmar and Uruguay) but regrets that this important tool (PEN Online) for preventing the diversion of precursors from international trade continues to be underutilized, including in some regions, such as Africa and Oceania, as well as parts of Europe. (PRE/2016/P32)

INCB welcomes the registration of the Gambia and Tunisia and urges Governments that have not yet done so to register with the PEN Online system without further delay. (PRE/2016/P35)

INCB encourages the Government of Indonesia to register all relevant competent authorities under article 12 of the 1988 Convention to PEN Online, or to establish a working mechanism to ensure that pre-export notifications can be sent for all relevant industrial chemicals under international control as well. (PRE/2016/P40)