Explanatory notes

Data reported later than 1 November 2022 could not be taken into consideration in the preparation of this report.

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The following abbreviations have been used in this report:

- ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations
- CARICC Central Asian Regional Information and Coordination Centre
- CBD cannabidiol
- CICAD Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission
- COPOLAD Cooperation Programme between Latin America, the Caribbean and the European Union on Drugs Policies
- ECOWAS Economic Community of West African States
- EMCDDA European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction
- Europol European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation
- FARC-EP Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia – People’s Army
- GBL gamma-butyrolactone
- GDP gross domestic product
- GHB gamma-hydroxybutyrate
- GRIDS Programme Global Rapid Interdiction of Dangerous Substances Programme
- ha hectares
- I2ES International Import and Export Authorization System
- INCB International Narcotics Control Board
- INTERPOL International Criminal Police Organization
- IONICS Project Ion Incident Communication System
- LSD lysergic acid diethylamide
- MDMA 3,4-methylenedioxymethamphetamine
- MERCOSUR Southern Common Market
- OAS Organization of American States
- OPIOIDS project global Operational Partnerships to Interdict Opioids’ Illicit Distribution and Sales project
- PAHO Pan American Health Organization
- PEN Online Pre-Export Notification Online system
- PICS Precursors Incident Communication System
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