

UNAFEI WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2004

I. TRAINING

A. 126th International Seminar

The 126th International Senior Seminar, "Economic Crime in a Globalizing Society ~ Its Impact on the Sound Development of the State" is to be held from 13 January to 12 February 2004. The 126th International Senior Seminar will examine the current situation and problems of economic crime. The participants will focus their attention on effective countermeasures to combat economic crime including: preventative measures; the establishment of an effective legal system and the effective investigation and trial of these offences.

B. 127th International Training Course

The 127th International Training Course, "Implementing Effective Measures for the Treatment of Offenders after Fifty Years of United Nations Standard Setting in Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice" is scheduled to be held from 17 May to 25 June 2004. This Course intends to study the current situation of the treatment of adult offenders both in institutions and in society and will explore their improvement. The Course will also explore measures for the effective use and application of United Nations Standards and Norms by sharing and discussing lessons and successful examples.

C. 128th International Training Course

The 128th International Training Course, "Measures to Combat Economic Crime, including Money-Laundering", is scheduled to be held from 30 August to 8 October 2004. The 128th International Training Course will examine the current trends and issues relating to economic crime with a particular focus on money laundering. The course will emphasize the transnational nature of economic crime and explore ways in which it can be combated by the implementation of existing conventions and greater cooperation between States.

D. Ninth Special Seminar for Senior Criminal Justice Officials of the People's Republic of China

The Ninth Special Seminar for Senior Criminal Justice Officials in the People's Republic of China, "Effective Criminal Justice Administration in Accordance with UN Standards and Norms: The Proper Way for the Protection of Rights and Punishment of Crimes", is scheduled to be held at UNAFEI from 23 February to 11 March 2004. Thirteen senior criminal justice officials and members of the UNAFEI faculty will discuss contemporary problems faced by China and Japan in relation to the above theme.

E. Third Special Seminar on the Judicial System for Tajikistan

UNAFEI will hold the Third Special Seminar for officials involved in criminal justice from Tajikistan. The Seminar, entitled "The Juvenile Justice System and the Treatment of Juvenile Offenders", will be held from 1 March until 19 March 2004. Fifteen criminal justice officials involved with juveniles and members of the UNAFEI faculty will discuss contemporary problems faced by Tajikistan and Japan in relation to the above theme.

F. Fifth Training Course on Juvenile Delinquent Treatment Systems for Kenya

UNAFEI will hold the Fifth Training Course for Kenyan criminal justice officials who are working for the prevention of delinquency and the treatment of juvenile delinquents in their country. The Course, entitled "Juvenile Delinquent Treatment Systems for Kenya", will be held in October 2004. The Course will expose Kenyan officials to the workings of the Japanese juvenile justice and treatment systems through lectures and observation visits to relevant agencies.

G. Seventh Special Training Course on Corruption Control in Criminal Justice

UNAFEI will conduct the Seventh Special Training Course entitled "Corruption Control in Criminal Justice" in October 2004. In this course, foreign and Japanese officials engaged in corruption control will comparatively analyze the current situation of corruption, methods of corruption prevention, and measures to enhance international cooperation in this regard.

H. Ad Hoc Seminar on the Revitalization of the Volunteer Probation Aid System for the Philippines

This seminar will expose the Parole and Probation Officers from the Philippines to the administration of

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the Japanese Volunteer Probation officer System, to help them improve their own volunteer programme. This seminar will be conducted from March 22 to 29, 2004 at UNAFEI for six Parole and Probation officers as a follow up to a video teleconference that took part in November of 2003. A further video teleconference is also scheduled for later in the year on a date not yet determined.

I. Special Course for Indonesia

A special course for Indonesia on “Comparative Study on Legal and Judicial Systems for their Reform” will be held from May to July 2004 by the International Cooperation Department, Research and Training Institute, Ministry of Justice of Japan in collaboration with UNAFEI.

II. TECHNICAL COOPERATION

A. Thailand

1. Technical Cooperation Project with the National Counter Corruption Commission (NCCC) of Thailand

Based on an agreement to be reached shortly between the Governments of Japan and Thailand, UNAFEI will embark on a three year cooperation project with the National Counter Corruption Commission (NCCC) of Thailand in cooperation with Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) from the financial year 2004. Under this project UNAFEI will hold two special training courses each year for the NCCC staff members, one in Japan and the other in Thailand. The training courses under this project aim to enhance the capacity and efficiency of the staff members of the office of the NCCC, which is the constitutional organ responsible for the investigation of corruption cases, the inspection of assets and liabilities of persons holding political positions and state officials, and the prevention of corruption. The first course in Japan is scheduled to start in June this year, and in November we plan to have the first course in Thailand.

2. Joint Seminar

Prior to the training course described above for the office of the National Counter Corruption Commission to be held in Thailand, UNAFEI plans to hold a Joint Seminar with the related agencies of Thailand, focusing on the theme of how to suppress and prevent corruption.

B. Costa Rica

In 2004, UNAFEI will be represented by up to 2 professors at a new training programme entitled “Reform of the Criminal Justice System in Latin American Countries”, in San Jose, Costa Rica. The participants of the training programme will be judges, prosecutors and attorneys (public and private, engaged in defence).

C. Others

In 2004, UNAFEI may embark on research for the assistance of the prosecution system of Pakistan.