

CSSF PROGRAMME SUMMARY

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| PROGRAMME TITLE: Peru/Colombia Serious Organised Crime | | | | | |
| HMG Partners (LEAD in bold) | National Crime Agency (NCA) and Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) | | | | |
| COUNTRY/REGION: | Peru and Colombia, South America | | | | |
| FY17-18 BUDGET: | ODA: £2.37m | | Non-ODA £0 | | |
| PROGRAMME DURATION | April 2015 to March 2020 | | | | |
| PROJECT/COMPONENT | LEAD DEPT | IMPLEMENTING ORGANISATION | BUDGET | START | END |
| Colombia/Peru: Criminal Justice Advisers | CPS | CPS | £750,000 | April 2017 | March 2018 |
| Colombia: Law Enforcement Reform | NCA | NCA | £225,000 | April 2017 | March 2018 |
| Peru: Law Enforcement Capability Building | NCA | NCA | £323,400 | April 2017 | March 2018 |
| Peru/Colombia: Law Enforcement Engagement | NCA | NCA | £30,000 | April 2017 | March 2018 |
| Peru: Law Enforcement Capability Building | NCA | NCA | £350,000 | April 2017 | March 2018 |
| Peru/Colombia: Law Enforcement Capability Building | NCA | NCA | £425,000 | April 2017 | March 2018 |
| Peru/Colombia: Regional dimensions of organised crime | FCO | FCO | £70,000 | April 2017 | March 2018 |
| Project Delivery | NCA | NCA | £197,000 | April 2017 | March 2018 |
| WHAT SUPPORT IS THE UK PROVIDING? | | | | | |
| <p>The NCA is engaged with Peruvian and Colombian law enforcement agencies to improve their capability and to enable more effective criminal proceedings being taken against those involved in serious organised crime. Capacity building interventions such as these are human-rights compliant.</p> <p>The CPS Criminal Justice Advisers are supporting capacity building of the Peruvian and Colombian criminal justice systems that will be sustainable beyond the life of the projects. Our experience of working internationally has demonstrated that long term assistance via the deployment of CPS prosecutors achieves criminal justice reform and institutional change. This is brought about through development of interagency cooperation, operational policy, legislation, mentoring and training and builds a strong foundation for the future.</p> <p>The Colombian Criminal Justice Advisor feeds into the security and justice agenda in the region by assisting with organised crime challenges expected to emerge following the Colombian Peace Deal in 2016; including ensuring reforms started in 2014 are fit for purpose in a post-conflict scenario, identifying and addressing the bottlenecks in delivering justice, focussing on human rights, the Protection of Sexual Victims or Intimidation (PSVI), working with the Attorney General's Office, the Ministry of Post-Conflict, Security and Human Rights and civil society.</p> <p>All interventions contribute to gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls, primarily through ensuring equal access for participants of all genders to programme-related capacity building in the criminal</p> | | | | | |

justice systems in Peru and Colombia. Activities also take account of gender-specific concerns of the victims of crime, to help the police and prosecution services implement a working culture which encourages and supports victims of all genders.

The programme also has a primary objective to support the empowerment of women. It will identify and support a cadre of female senior leaders across the criminal justice systems in Peru and Colombia to encourage more gender-balanced leadership in the fight against organised crime.

WHY IS UK SUPPORT NEEDED?

UK intervention is designed to tackle weaknesses and threats that undermine long-term stability in Peru and Colombia. This includes the legacy of a protracted conflict in Colombia that has created an enabling environment for organised crime that, in turn, has frustrated attempts to build peace and protect human rights. Some of this instability has been exported, with Colombian criminal networks playing a leading role in organised crime in Peru. Together the two countries account for 80% of global cocaine supply, a significant portion of which is trafficked to the EU and UK. Both have witnessed an increase in urban violence over recent years, and their state and democratic institutions risk being undermined by corruption and organised crime.

The UK is one of a few countries offering integrated support to law enforcement and criminal justice, as a priority in Colombia and Peru, areas in which CPS and NCA have extensive experience. Criminal Justice Advisors are a unique asset: offering bespoke mentoring and advice to the criminal justice systems in Peru and Colombia.

WHAT RESULTS DOES THE UK EXPECT TO ACHIEVE?

The development of a strong, more gender-balanced core of professional leaders within the Peruvian National Police.

At the end of the programme Peru and Colombia will have more effective criminal justice systems, improved legal frameworks and increased ability, knowledge and experience to recover criminal assets. This will lead to an increase in the prosecution of serious organised crime, investigation and prosecution for corruption and the confiscation of criminal assets to deter, disrupt and punish. The secondary benefits are crime and drugs being less likely to arrive in the UK and the increased ability to enforce UK confiscation orders against assets located within the region. This will have the additional benefit of reducing the threat from organised crime to the UK.