



PROCURADURÍA GENERAL
DE JUSTICIA DEL ESTADO



AGREEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

THIS AGREEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING IS MADE AND ENTERED INTO BY AND BETWEEN THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEYS GENERAL OF MORELOS, ZACATECAS, OAXACA, COAHUILA AND CHIHUAHUA, MEXICO (HEREINAFTER OAGM) AND THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF NEW MEXICO, USA (HEREINAFTER OAGNM), HEREINAFTER THE "INTERESTED PARTIES"

WHEREAS the existing collaboration between the United States of Mexico and the United States of America;

WHEREAS that some crimes transcend frontiers and thus require an intense collaboration among these state authorities of both countries, such as trafficking in persons or Internet crimes against children;

WHEREAS that both countries are eager to combat crime and increase public security for the citizens of both countries;

WHEREAS that the Office of the Attorney Generals of Morelos, Zacatecas, Oaxaca, Coahuila and Chihuahua and New Mexico wish to collaborate in efforts and projects that can guarantee effective criminal justice and criminal investigation in both countries;

WHEREAS that the State of Morelos, Zacatecas, Oaxaca, Coahuila and Chihuahua are transforming their criminal justice system from a mixed inquisitorial written system to an oral adversarial and transparent justice system that will base its criminal investigations on scientific evidence instead of on written statements;

WHEREAS that the criminal procedural system of New Mexico is based in an adversarial criminal procedural system that bases its criminal investigations on scientific evidence;

WHEREAS that these governments benefit from a stronger relationship and from actions that promote the rule of law in these states;

The interested parties commit to:

- Share legal and educational knowledge through workshops, seminars and study tours;
- Exchange information on best practices in the area of criminal investigation;
- Offer educational exchange programs between institutions that operate in the criminal justice system, including the Office of the Attorney General;
- Share information and evaluation of new technologies, software and hardware;
- Exchange information and intelligence on transnational crime and terrorism;

The OAGNM pledges to:

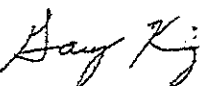

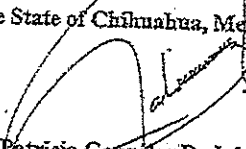

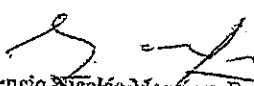

- Provide training to OAGM in Morelos, Zacatecas, Oaxaca, Coahuila and Chihuahua in regard to management and administration of the Office of the Attorney General, including division and work assignments, creation of work groups, as well as assist in the development of policy guidelines.
- Permit the OAGNM prosecutors to provide training in Morelos, Zacatecas, Oaxaca, Coahuila and Chihuahua in regard to case management and organization as well as preparing cases for trials;
- Train OAGM investigators on investigating Internet crimes against children. The training would be conducted by the Internet Crimes Against Children Division of the OAGNM;
- Create task forces to combat Internet Crimes Against Children between OAGM and OAGNM;
- Allow OAGNM prosecutors to conduct training in Morelos, Zacatecas, Oaxaca, Coahuila and Chihuahua on preparing criminal cases, cross-examination, forensic interviewing and prepping witness and victims for trial;
- Share information, investigation and prosecution tactics and techniques on trafficking cases. Create a task force to combat Human Trafficking;
- Provide training on establishing and running an internal affairs unit;
- Share information on wanted criminals that might have fled to Mexico;
- Provide a directory with key personnel at the OAGNM to facilitate task force work and sharing of information
- Share information on investigation and prosecution techniques, as well as best practices to prevent use of methamphetamines and other illegal substances. Create task force to combat methamphetamine and other illegal substances addiction and to prosecute offenders.

The OAGM pledges to:

- Provide a directory with key personnel at the OAGM to facilitate task force work and sharing of information;
- Share information, investigation and prosecution tactics and techniques on trafficking cases. Create a task force to combat Human Trafficking;
- Provide training on establishing and running an internal affairs unit;
- Share information on wanted criminals that might have fled to the US;
- Cover travel costs, including hotel accommodations and meals, as well as the salary of Mexican government officials that will be trained in New Mexico;
- Cover travel costs, including hotel accommodations and meals of those New Mexico officials that agree to conduct training or give seminars in Morelos, Zacatecas, Coahuila and Chihuahua;
- Share information on investigation and prosecution techniques, as well as best practices to prevent use of methamphetamines and other illegal substances. Create task force to combat methamphetamine and other illegal substances addiction and to prosecute offenders
- Guarantee the presence of a Spanish-English interpreter be present when needed;

AGREEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING, SIGNATURE:

The parties certify that the terms and conditions are acceptable and thus subscribe this Agreement of Understanding in Spanish and English in the Mexico City, on September 19, 2007.

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