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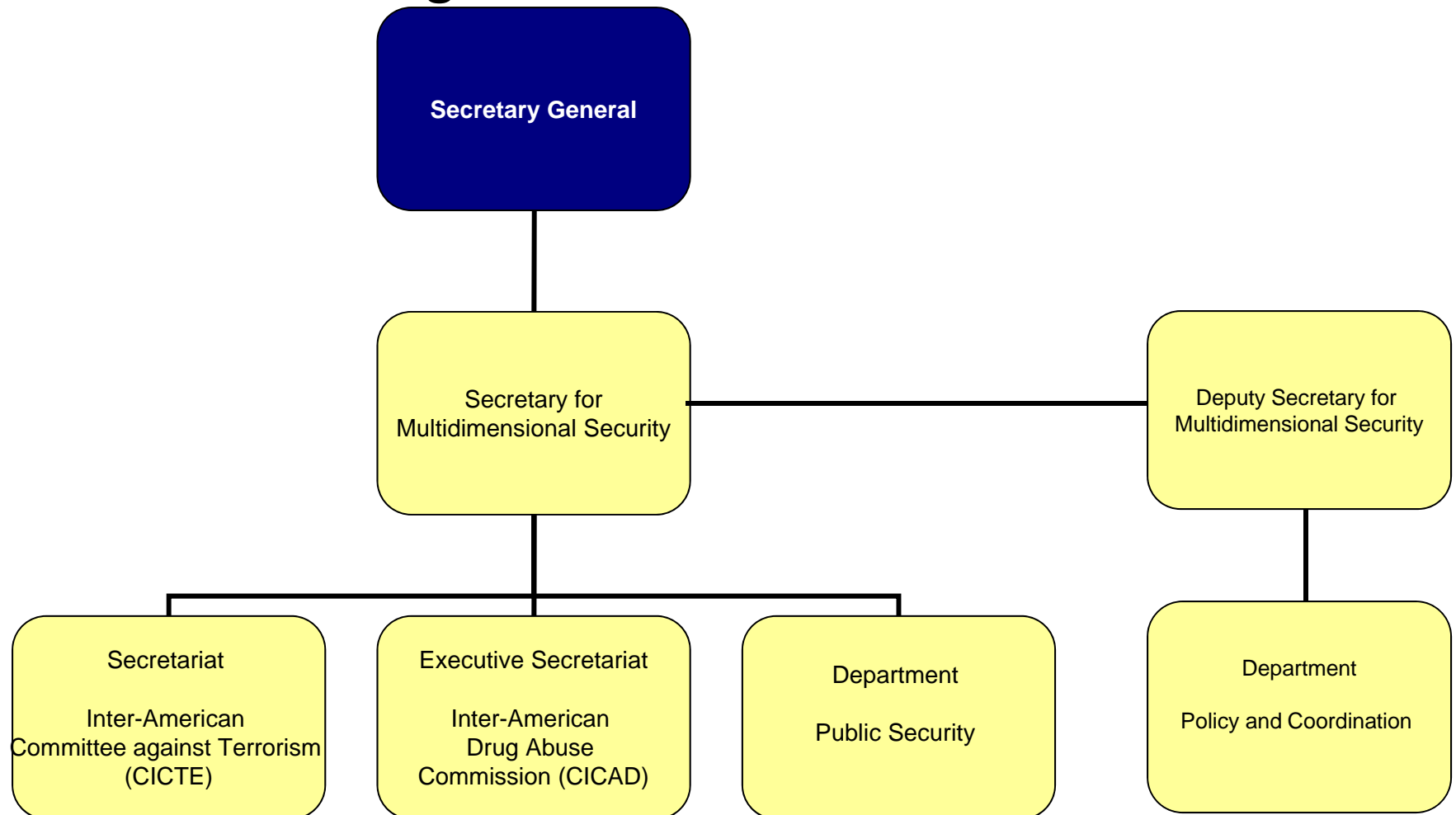
Secretariat for Multidimensional Security (SMS) Organizational Chart

CICTE Programs

Border Controls

- Aviation Security
- Maritime Security
- Document Security & Fraud Prevention
- Customs and Immigration

Critical Infrastructure Protection

- Cyber Security
- Tourism Security
- Security for Major Events

Legislative Assistance and Terrorism Financing

Strengthening Strategies on Emerging Terrorist Threats (Crisis Management)

International Cooperation and Partnerships

CICTE AVIATION SECURITY PROGRAM

- Established in 2004
- CICTE Work plan and Mandates
- Three Aspects
  - **National Training Programs**
    Excellence in Screening Techniques
    Instructor Skills and Design
    Incident Management and Response
    Air Cargo Interdiction
  - **Sub-regional Training Programs**
    Preventive Security Measures
    Cargo Security Management
    Behavioral Detection Techniques
    Passenger Interdiction
  - **Scholarships to ICAO courses and workshops**

CICTE AVIATION SECURITY PROGRAM CONT'D

- CICTE AVSEC Partners
  - International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
  - Transportation Security Administration of the United States (TSA)
  - Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA)
  - Israel Security Agency (ISA)
  - Spanish Government
  - Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)
  - Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI)
  - Forensic Document Laboratory of the US Immigration and Customs Agency (ICE)
  - US Customs and Border Protection (CBP)
  - Globe Risk International Inc.
  - Chilean AVSEC Instructors

CICTE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

- CICTE has been offering scholarships for ICAO courses since 2004

- Scholarships include:
  - Airfare and terminal expenses
  - Per diem to cover hotel and meals

- Number of scholarships awarded since 2005:

2005 → 26 scholarships	2009 → 18 scholarships
2006 → 33 scholarships	2010 → 60 scholarships
2007→ 7 scholarships	2011 →78 scholarships
2008 → 8 scholarships	2012 →54 scholarships

CICTE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS CONT'D

- In 2012, 54 scholarships were awarded to OAS Member States to attend ICAO Courses. This number does not reflect those offered.
    - 24 to Caribbean Member States
    - 19 to Central America and the Dominican Republic
    - 12 to South American States

- For 2013, 28 scholarships have been awarded so far. This number does not reflect those offered.
    - 14 to Caribbean Member States
    - 5 to Central America and the Dominican Republic
    - 9 to South American States

- The CICTE Secretariat will continue to help facilitate OAS Member State participation in ICAO courses which do not duplicate courses already offered by CICTE in furtherance of the work plan.
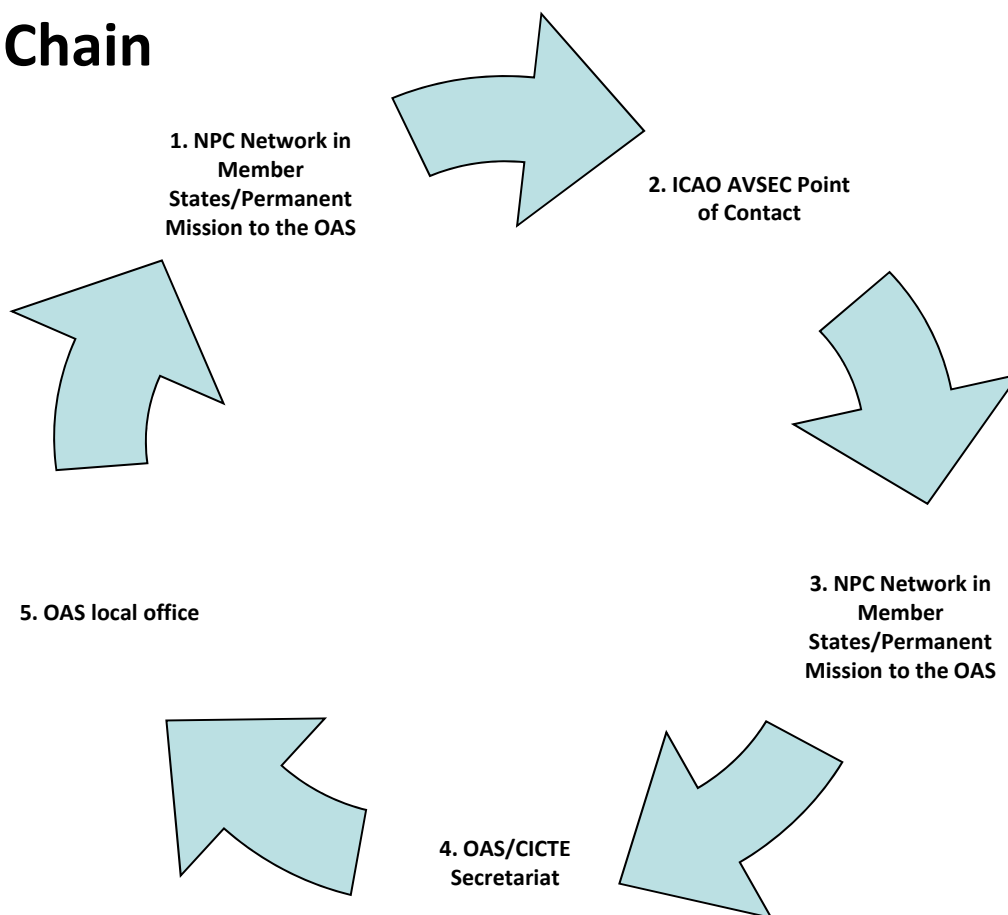
CICTE TRAINING PROGRAMS

In 2012:

- **14** National Training Courses were held in Member States in various topics including: *Cargo interdiction, Incident Management and Response, Screening Techniques* and two courses in *Threat Assessment and Risk Management.*

- **Four** sub regional courses were held in Cargo Security and Passenger Interdiction

- **Five** preliminary and follow up assessments of cargo interdiction operations were carried out in Central American Member States.

Scholarship Process

1. Scholarship Chain

1. NPC Network in Member States/Permanent Mission to the OAS

2. ICAO AVSEC Point of Contact

3. NPC Network in Member States/Permanent Mission to the OAS

4. OAS/CICTE Secretariat

5. OAS local office

NEW DONOR REQUIREMENT

- One of the CICTE Secretariat's main donors to the Aviation Security Program now requires all beneficiaries of training <u>utilizing their funds to pass through a specific vetting process which takes approximately one month to complete</u>.

- This means that nomination forms will need to be received with <u>more advance than before</u> and CICTE <u>will not be able </u>to accommodate country nominations or participant lists <u>received after the established deadline</u>. A reminder will be written in all correspondence to the Government when offering a particular training opportunity or scholarship assistance.

- Nomination forms <u>will also now request additional personal information</u> ex. Parent's names, place of birth, unit name and rank if the participant is military or police.

Since the 2012 Regional ICAO Meeting...

- CICTE supported the implementation of the Detection of Passengers with Suspicious Conduct Workshop proposed in the meeting by awarding 13 scholarships to Member States to participate.

- CICTE is still in support of the AVSEC information sharing database proposed in the meeting and spearheaded by ICAO in order to avoid duplication of training programs as well as scheduling conflicts.

- CICTE organized two Threat Assessment and Risk Management Courses in Panama and Uruguay in 2012. The training was facilitated by two aviation security instructors from Chile and ICAO and SICA were invited as observers. ICAO attended the course in Uruguay.

Since 2012 Regional ICAO Meeting cont'd

- CICTE still looks forward to receiving completed evaluations and reports from ICAO courses where scholarships were provided.

- Information was posted on the CICTE website about the scholarship process as urged during the meeting.

- CICTE is exploring the possibility with ICAO to utilize one form for scholarship nominees applying for acceptance into ICAO aviation security courses…..

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