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### INTERNATIONAL SUMMARY

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Country	Role in Drug Traffic
Afghanistan	<ul> <li>Major producer of hashish and opium; heroin processing in border area with Pakistan. Southwest Asian (SWA) heroin makes up 47% of U.S. supply.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 200-800 metric tons opium and 200-400 metric tons hashish.</li> <li>Consumer of hashish and opium.</li> </ul>
Argentina	<ul> <li>Minor cocaine processing and transiting area.</li> <li>Use of marijuana and cocaine may be increasing.</li> </ul>
Australia	- Producer of marijuana. - 1985 donor to U.N. Fund for Drug Abuse Control. - Serious consumption of heroin and marijuana.
Bahamas	<ul> <li>Major transshipment area for cocaine and marijuana.</li> <li>Some production of marijuana.</li> <li>Widespread consumption of marijuana and cocaine; heavy consumption of "rock" cocaine.</li> </ul>
Belize	<ul> <li>Large marijuana producer - 645 metric tons in 1985.</li> <li>Conducted first aerial herbicidal <u>eradication program</u> in 1985.</li> <li>Heavy use of marijuana among youth and growing cocaine use.</li> </ul>
Bolivia	<ul> <li>Major coca producing, processing &amp; trafficking country.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 34,250 metric tons coca; used to supply cocaine refining laboratories in Colombia and Bolivia. Bolivian laboratories supply only 15% of U.S. refined cocaine.</li> <li>Began demonstration coca <u>eradication program</u> in 1985.</li> <li>Heavy consumption of coca paste through smoking. Drug abuse is major health problem.</li> </ul>
Brazil	<ul> <li>Major producer of ethyl ether for cocaine processing in South America; some cocaine processing in Brazil; and crossroads of South American cocaine traffic.</li> <li>In 1985, small-scale coca &amp; large marijuana production.</li> <li><u>Eradication program</u>: initiated operations to destroy both coca and marijuana in 1985.</li> <li>Consumption growing rapidly.</li> </ul>

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Burma	<ul> <li>Golden Triangle area of Thailand, Burma and Laos is a major producing, processing and trafficking region. Southeast Asian (SEA) heroin makes up approximately 15% of U.S. heroin supply.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 420 metric tons of opium.</li> <li>Herbicidal <u>eradication program</u> had measurable impact on poppy production in 1985.</li> <li>Traditional opium use; other drug use unknown.</li> </ul>
Canada	<ul> <li>Transshipment country for heroin and cocaine.</li> <li>1985 Donor to U.N. Fund for Drug Abuse Control.</li> <li>Consumption of marijuana, cocaine and some heroin.</li> </ul>
Colombia	<ul> <li>Major producing, processing &amp; trafficking country.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 11,000 metric tons coca &amp; 2,500 metric tons marijuana.</li> <li>Colombian laboratories supplied with coca from Peru, Bolivia, Ecuador provide 75% of U.S. refined cocaine.</li> <li>Colombia also supplies roughly 49% of U.S. marijuana.</li> <li>Eradication programs: In 1985, herbicidal eradication program destroyed 6,000 hectares of cannabis; manual coca eradication program continued.</li> <li>NOTE: Marijuana production down to 2,500 metric tons in 1985 from 7,500-11,000 metric tons in 1981.</li> <li>Coca paste mixed and smoked with marijuana is a major health problem.</li> </ul>
Costa Rica	<ul> <li>Small scale marijuana production.</li> <li>Increasing transshipment area for cocaine.</li> <li><u>Eradication program</u>: destroyed marijuana plantations</li> <li>Some marijuana consumption.</li> </ul>
Egypt	<ul> <li>Consumption area for Middle Eastern drugs (opium, heroin and hashish).</li> </ul>
Ecuador	<ul> <li>Minor cocaine producing, processing, storage and transshipment point.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 2,400 metric tons of coca.</li> <li>Intensifying <u>eradication program</u> in 1986.</li> <li>Consumption of cocaine slowing growing.</li> </ul>
Federal Republic of Germany	<ul> <li>Some transshipment of heroin to the U.S.</li> <li>1985 donor to U.N. Fund for Drug Abuse Control.</li> <li>Major consumer of hashish and heroin; increasing cocaine problem.</li> </ul>
France	<ul> <li>Southern France noted for heroin laboratories and trafficking during "French Connection" era.</li> <li>Consumption of hashish, heroin and cocaine.</li> </ul>

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Guatemala	- Small scale marijuana production. - <u>Eradication program</u> started in 1986.
Hong Kong	<ul> <li>Major financial center.</li> <li>Heroin transshipment point and consumption area.</li> </ul>
India	<ul> <li>Increasing role as processing center for SWA and SEA opiates into heroin; producer of marijuana.</li> <li>In 1987 will play more important role in heroin traffic.</li> <li>Increasing use of heroin; some use of marijuana.</li> </ul>
Indonesia	- Transshipment country. - Some use of heroin and marijuana.
Iran	<ul> <li>Major opium producer and consumer; some processed for Middle East, Afghanistan, Pakistan and West, but most consumed domestically.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 200-400 metric tons of opium.</li> <li>Consumption of heroin is a major problem.</li> </ul>
Italy	<ul> <li>Key role in processing and transshipment of SWA heroin, with strong links to U.S. distribution channels.</li> <li>1985 donor to U.N. Fund for Drug Abuse Control.</li> <li>Major consumer country for heroin, cocaine and other drugs.</li> </ul>
Jamaica	<ul> <li>Major producer of marijuana.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 625-1,280 metric tons of marijuana.</li> <li>Manual <u>eradication program</u> had measurable impact on marijuana production in 1985.</li> <li>Consumption of marijuana and cocaine.</li> </ul>
Laos	<ul> <li>Golden Triangle area of Thailand, Burma and Laos is major producing, processing and trafficking region for Southeast Asian heroin, which makes up approximately 15% of U.S. heroin supply.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 100 metric tons of opium.</li> <li>Traditional opium use; other consumption unknown.</li> </ul>
Lebanon	<ul> <li>Refines SWA opiates into heroin and traffics in heroin and hashish to Western Europe and U.S.</li> <li>Major producer of hashish: 720 metric tons in 1985.</li> </ul>
Malaysia	<ul> <li>Transshipment country for SEA heroin.</li> <li>Has death penalty for possession of small amounts of heroin.</li> <li>Consumption of heroin considered national security issue.</li> </ul>

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Mexico	<ul> <li>Major producing, processing and trafficking country.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 21-45 metric tons of opium and 2,500- 3,000 metric tons of marijuana.</li> <li>Provided 38% of U.S. heroin supply and roughly 32% of U.S. marijuana supply.</li> <li>Cocaine transshipment.</li> <li><u>Eradication programs</u>: Improvements planned for 1986.</li> <li>Consumption of marijuana.</li> </ul>
Morocco	- In 1985, produced 30-60 metric tons of hashish. - Traditional use of hashish.
N. Antilles	- Financial services used by drug traffickers.
Norway	- 1985 donor to U.N. Fund for Drug Abuse Control.
Pakistan	<ul> <li>Major producing, processing &amp; trafficking country; Southwest Asia supplies an estimated 47% of heroin in U.S.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 40-60 metric tons of opium and 200 metric tons of hashish.</li> <li>Heroin laboratories also supplied with opium from Afghanistan.</li> <li>Opium suppression program includes <u>eradication</u>.</li> <li>Serious problem with heroin and quaalude use. Consumption of opium and cannabis.</li> </ul>
Panama	<ul> <li>Financial, transshipment and marijuana production.</li> <li>Conducted first-time aerial <u>eradication program</u> using herbicides in 1985.</li> <li>Some consumption of marijuana.</li> </ul>
Peru	<ul> <li>The major coca producing country.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 95,000 metric tons of coca, but only provided approximately 5% of U.S. refined cocaine supplylarge quantities of coca are shipped to processing laboratories in Colombia.</li> <li>Manual <u>eradication program</u> destroyed 5,000 hectares of coca in 1985.</li> <li>Consumption of coca paste is a major health problem.</li> </ul>
Saudi Arabia	<ul> <li>- 1985 donor to U.N. Fund for Drug Abuse Control.</li> <li>- Some drug use and very fearful of increase.</li> </ul>
Sweden	- 1985 donor to U.N. Fund for Drug Abuse Control. - Heavy hashish use; some heroin use.
Switzerland	- Major financial center.

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Country	Role in Drug Traffic
Syria	<ul> <li>SWA heroin processing and trafficking to U.S.</li> <li>Controls Bekaa Valley, the primary production area for hashish.</li> <li>Drug use patterns unknown.</li> </ul>
Thailand	<ul> <li>Golden Triangle area of Thailand, Burma and Laos is major producing, processing and trafficking region for Southeast Asian heroin which makes up approximately 15% of U.S. heroin supply.</li> <li>In 1985, produced 36 metric tons of opium.</li> <li>Eradication program had measurable impact on poppy production in 1985.</li> <li>Also produces marijuana "Thai Sticks."</li> <li>Drug abuse is serious health problem. Major consumer of opium, heroin and marijuana.</li> </ul>
Turkey	<ul> <li>Major transshipment and staging area for opium, morphine base, and heroin from Southwest Asia to consuming nations.</li> <li>Produces and uses hashish.</li> </ul>
United Kingdom	<ul> <li>Major consumption country for heroin; growing cocaine and hashish consumption a problem.</li> <li>Serious concerns over drugs in England and Ireland.</li> </ul>
Venezuela	<ul> <li>Emerging role as trafficking area.</li> <li>Consumption of cocaine and marijuana increasing.</li> </ul>

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