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Abbreviations

BCP	Border Crossing Point
BOMCA	Border Management Programme in Central Asia
BG	Border Guards
BS	Border Service
CA	Central Asia
CADAP	Central Asia Drug Action Programme
CAP	Contracts, Assets, Procurement Committee
CCTV	Closed Circuit Television Systems
DAMOS	Drug Abuse Monitoring System
DPU	Drug Profiling Unit
EC	European Commission
EU	European Union
FPD	Focal Point on Demand
FPS	Focal Point on Supply
IRP	Information Resource Person
IOM	International Organization for Migration
KG	Kyrgyzstan
KZ	Kazakhstan
LEA	Law Enforcement Agency
OSCE	Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe
PMO	Programme Management Office
SSA	Special Service Agreement
TJ	Tajikistan
TOR	Terms of Reference
TM	Turkmenistan
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNODC	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
UZ	Uzbekistan
WEA	Western European Agency

1. PROJECT SYNOPSIS

Project Title	: Border Management in Central Asia, phase 4
Project Number	:
Country	: Central Asian Republics

Project objective[s]: The overall objectives of the programme are 1) to enhance security in Central Asia; 2) to reduce the flow of illicit traffic through the countries of the region; to contribute to an increased flow of persons and legal goods across Central Asian borders.

The specific objective of BOMCA is to strengthen Kazakhstan's, Kyrgyzstan's, Tajikistan's, Turkmenistan's and Uzbekistan's capacities in managing their borders in accordance with European best practices.

The specific goal of the project is:

- To reform legal and institutional framework necessary to the introduction of modern border management
- To build National training capacities to support implementation of modern border management
- To successfully demonstrate projects in border management concluded at pilot sites/in pilot regions

Planned outputs:

- Legislation and institutional frameworks revised/reformed as necessary
- Training facilities of Border Agencies renovated/constructed
- Border control capacity strengthened at pilot sites through provision of infrastructure, equipment and key skills training
- Coordination framework established for border management assistance of EU Member States and other donors

Project activities:

Output 1:

- P1A1: Existing legal and institutional framework are assessed;
- P1A2: Task Force on border legislation and reforms in each country are established;
- P1A3: A working level inter-agency working group is established in each country;
- P1A4: A regional evaluation seminar on border legislation and border reforms is held;

Output 2:

- P2A1: Training facilities to be reconstructed and equipment to be provided are assessed;
- P2A2: Training facilities are reconstructed, necessary equipment provided;

Output 3:

- P3A1: Border guard training curriculum expert selected in each country;
- P3A2: Training workplan drafted for each country;
- P3A3: Training for border guards of Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan is carried out;
- P3A4: Training curricula for BG improved (IBM part included);
- P4A1: Study Tour for High Ranking Border Managers to the European Union organized;
- P5A1: Computer based training provided in the pilot regions;
- P5A2: Computers, software and manual provided to the participants;
- P6A1: Airports in the regions are assessed in terms of security;
- P6A2: A manual on visa management at airports is produced and distributed;
- P6A3: Training on visa management at airports is provided;
- P6A4: Security equipment is delivered to the airports;
- P7A1: Official endorsement to creation of Mobile Units as an element of added security in the pilot regions (KG, TJ) is achieved;
- P7A2: Infrastructure and equipment is provided to equip the Units;
- P7A3: Regional field training by a European expert is conducted;
- P8A1: Assessment missions in the pilot regions of TJ and KG are carried out to establish the BCP to be reinforced;
- P8A2: Renovation works are carried out and equipment is provided to selected BCPs;
- P8A3: Skills training is carried out in both countries;
- P9A1: Assessment of local dog units in the pilot zones to renovate and equip in TJ and KG;
- P9A2: Renovation and construction of dog units in the pilot regions, provision of equipment to dog units in these pilot zones and in UZ and KZ;
- P9A3: Carry out training for dog handlers in TJ and KG in UZ and KZ with the involvement of an EU expert trainer;
- P9A4: Carry out the Study Tour to EU dog training Centre for KZ and UZ trainers;

Output 4:

- P10A1: Steering committee meetings in each country carried out twice a year to coordinate the implementation of projects with the beneficiaries;
- P10A2: Regular coordination meetings are organized with other members of the donor community to harmonize policies of assistance in a given country;
- P10A3: An assistance matrix of partners and projects in the field of border and security in Central Asia is developed;

P10A4: A library of documentation on border management is assembled.

Project starting date : BOMCA 4-1: January 20, 2004
BOMCA 4-2: March 7, 2005

Project duration : BOMCA 4-1: 35 months
BOMCA 4-2: 30 months

2. SUMMARY OF PROJECT PROGRESS SINCE THE START

Activities of the BOMCA 4 contract were developed according to the conclusions and recommendations of a number of assessments and limited interventions undertaken under previous preparatory phases of assistance, and as a whole comprise the launch of full-scale intervention by BOMCA in Central Asia.

The BOMCA 4 Programme comprises ten separate projects for implementation in five countries, a major intervention of the European Commission in the field of border management in Central Asia. EC funding of the BOMCA 4 Programme was split between two allocations: BOMCA 4.1 and BOMCA 4.2.

2.1. Legal Assistance

The objectives of the project are: 1) to establish and improve the legal and regulatory framework of border management according to EU best practices, in particular regarding the administrative structure, the scope of tasks and responsibilities, cooperation agreement with other services etc. 2) to enhance cooperation of border guard services with other administrations and bodies.

The project was subcontracted by UNDP to ICMPD, along with the related project for Training of Border Guard Services.

ICMPD carried out assessment missions to four CA countries, given that Turkmenistan does not participate in this project of the programme. Based on the assessments made by ICMPD in the four beneficiary countries, the compilation of legislation and other acts governing the management of borders by all the services is finalised.

Although the Project calls for two bodies to be established in each country, Task Forces for legislative change, and working-level Inter-Agency Working Groups (IAWGs), in practice this is seen by beneficiaries and Programme Management as a rather heavy structure which in some countries involves a duplication of roles. A pragmatic, country-specific approach is being taken on this: however, the key concept is retained that high-level technical working groups (IAWGs) report to the political level in each country, to facilitate participation of technical agencies and recommend changes to legislative and institutional frameworks as necessary.

In Kazakhstan, an Inter-Ministerial commission under the Government of Kazakhstan «On elaboration of recommendations for construction and development of typical border crossing points at the automobile border crossing points of the Republic of Kazakhstan» was established which includes all state enforcement agencies at border crossing points. Legal basis of the commission is the Government Resolution of RK # 1256, dated November 26, 2002. The Secretariat Function is being held by Customs Control Committee of Ministry of Finance of RK. In accordance with mentioned Government Resolution, a commission was created for the purpose of: a) improvement of unified control system of border crossing procedure; b) elaboration of recommendations for construction and development of typical border crossing points at the automobile border crossing points of Kazakhstan. An official letter was sent to the MFA of Kazakhstan, with copy to the Customs Control Committee on December 20, 2005, requesting that the Commission officially facilitate the work of the BOMCA-CADAP Programmes. Within the framework of realization of tasks on IBM Training team in Kazakhstan provided working group meeting with state bodies in Astana on May 3, 2006. The objective of the meeting was: 1) Discussion of future possible ways of cooperation; 2) Presentation on IBM and its benefit for the country; 3) Presentation and discussion on National Strategy and Action Plan Development; and 4) Presentation and discussion on Work Plan for IBM Training.

During that meeting participants agreed that Kazakhstan has already followed IBM conception and developments as joint experiments, one stop principle are introduced in the country.

In Kyrgyzstan, an Inter-Agency Working Group (Coordination Committee) has been formed under the Decree of President of the Kyrgyz Republic # 297 dated September 8, 2004, but is presently defunct due to political instability and changes to counterparts.

In Tajikistan, an Inter-Ministerial Commission for Border Management (IMC) is chaired by the Commander of the Tajik Border Force. Since mid December 2006, the Border Force has become a component of the State Committee on National Security - which is the reformed former Security Ministry. Members of the IMC are drawn from all ministries and agencies with a responsibility for border management at deputy Minister level. Donors including the BOMCA – CADAP project management team have observer status. The IMC has several working sub committees which are actively assisted by the BOMCA – CADAP project management team.

In Turkmenistan, the State Coordinating Commission on Drugs was assigned as primary counterpart to both the BOMCA and CADAP Programmes.

In Uzbekistan, an Inter-Agency Working Group, chaired by the Border Guard Services, reports to the State Commission on Border Security. The BOMCA programme is in charge of the secretariat of the IAWG.

A Regional Evaluation Seminar on border legislation and border reforms was conducted in February 2006 in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, to assess the work of the Task Forces; to assess the impact of BOMCA assistance on border management reforms; to encourage harmonization approaches; to share best practices.

It should be noted that the Government of Turkmenistan did not endorse this project, on the grounds that legal change was not required. However, the Government is participating fully in many of the activities. The position of the Government reinforces the view of Programme Management that legislative and institutional change should be demand-led not supply-driven, and should arise as a result of successful implementation of BOMCA activities as a whole. In Turkmenistan, assessment mission was not carried out. However an important delegation from Turkmenistan attended the regional seminar on IBM in Bishkek last February. Later, all seminar materials, including the “Handbook for implementation of the EU IBM concept in Central Asia” were disseminated to main Law Enforcement bodies in Turkmenistan, through the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. It was decided by the CTA not to request any assessment mission, but to continue the effort of promotion of the IBM. Participants from Turkmenistan attended the Study Tour in Hungary, dedicated mainly to IBM (see Project 4).

Jointly with ICMPD, the BOMCA office in Ashgabat conducted an IBM training seminar which took place on November 21-23, 2006. Representatives of ICMPD, BOMCA, UNDP as well as the European Commission AIDCO E5 Unit – Security and Migration, introduced the participating authorities of Turkmenistan to the IBM concept and BOMCA relevant efforts in the Central Asian region. The Deputy Commander of Hungarian Border Guards Major-General István Samu and the Head of the Department for Administrative Affairs Lieutenant Colonel János Jenei, introduced practical experience of Hungary in the field of Integrated Border Management. The meeting was highly appreciated by national representatives from the State Border Service of Turkmenistan, State Customs Service, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of National Security, and State Service for Registration of Foreign Nationals, State Plant Quarantine Service and the Ministry of Health Care.

The Contract between UNDP and ICMPD for Projects 1 and 3 was extended until end of February 2007 in order to conduct the Closing Regional Conference on February 27-28,

2007. The postponement of the Regional Conference gave the existing inter-agency structures the opportunity to review the IBM strategy papers. Despite a number of positive results achieved, the lack of operational inter-agency structures in some of the countries and the lack of political mandate to work on Integrated Border Management (IBM) strategies led to an adjustment of the initial workplan: the IBM strategy for each country was delivered as a technical paper by the ICMDP and forwarded to inter-agency structures for consideration, instead of being delivered by the inter-agency structures as originally planned. The Closing Regional Conference was conducted in Bishkek with participation of representatives from all Central Asian countries with the purpose to discuss implementation of the European Union's Integrated Border Management (IBM) concept in Central Asia. The participants of the Conference discussed the status quo in the CA countries in the field of IBM, training work plans and future perspectives of the national strategies. ICMPD also presented its Handbook for Implementation of the EU IBM concept in Central Asia with practical examples of IBM implementation and guidance for establishment of national IBM strategies and action plans by all agencies involved in border management, e.g. border guards, customs, phytosanitary and veterinary inspections.

Border Guards Committee (BGC) in Uzbekistan provided the Inter-Agency Working Group with premises. Equipment and furniture at the cost of USD 9,373.90 procured and delivered. Renovation works of the premises launched at the amount UZS 17,360,554.00 (about USD 13,955.43).

2.2. Construction of Training Infrastructure

The objective of the project is to establish/reinforce operational training infrastructure in beneficiary countries. These include Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan. Turkmenistan is scheduled to benefit from this project under BOMCA 5.

Activities include the recruitment of engineers and design of training centres, subcontracting of works, provision of equipment, and holding of opening ceremonies.

Initial assessments for training infrastructure needs were undertaken by European experts contracted under BOMCA 3. Assessment reports submitted were of uniformly poor quality both in terms of physical requirements and in terms of cost estimations.

In Kazakhstan, facilities for regional training in Almaty Training Centre of the Border Guard Service developed, works are completed and equipment provided. The Project is completed in Kazakhstan.

In Tajikistan, a Training Institute for Officer Cadets of the Border Force is being built in Dushanbe in two phases. Phase 1 was completed in September 2005 through conversion of two former factory buildings. The facilities include a lecture theatre, classrooms, dining hall, kitchen, and accommodation for 112 officer cadets. Phase 2 is a new building and when completed in end April – beginning of May 2007, will provide the HQ complex including facilities for 60 staff. Both buildings are fully equipped. It is anticipated that the USA will fund the building of a Phase 3 and when completed, the complex will provide a "show case" facility for training Border Force Officers and Officer Cadets in Central Asia.

In Uzbekistan, a Training Centre for the Border Guard Service is under construction in Termez, with a completion date end of June 2007. Uzbek counterparts have requested a further phase of the project to provide new dormitory accommodation for trainees. The office and radio equipment for the Training Center in Termez were delivered to Tashkent and transferred to Border Guards Committee.

In Kyrgyzstan, agreement has been reached to provide a mixed scheme of new construction and refurbishment of existing facilities at Novopokrovka, outside of Bishkek. Designing of training centre in Novopokrovka is finalised, final tender documentation for construction works with local UNDP CAP recommendation was submitted for UNDP HQ approval on December 8, 2006. ACP (UNDP HQ) put another requirement in January 2007 to have the tender documentation reviewed and certified by an independent engineer before a contract award is granted. The process of independent engineer recruiting, assessment and submission of final review and certification to HQ ACP was made by February 22, 2007. A final contract award was granted on March 02, 2007. A contract with Sher-Kurulush Company was raised for USD 429,561.90 on March 13, 2007 with a construction period of 11 months. List of equipment and furniture needed for Training Center of the Border Service in Novopokrovka was received from Border Service in the second half January 2007. Technical specifications were worked out and agreed with Border Service in February 2007. However, the list seemed don't fit with the Training design schemes and actual needed equipment and furniture. Border Service is adjusting the initial list with the actual required equipment and furniture in line with the building design documentation provided. A satellite training centre was established at refurbished premises in Osh, as a base for field training in the Ferghana pilot region envisaged under project 3, Training for Border Staff, and as a permanent site for Computer Based Training (project 5). Renovation works in branch training centre in Osh is completed.

2.3. Training for Border Staff

The objective of the project is to reinforce the border training capacity of beneficiary countries (Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan only).

Activities in the TORs are stated as: "Field training will be carried out by EU border police officers with special focus in the pilot regions. EU trainers will train local trainers (train-the-trainer); they will also make specific recommendations with a view to adjust existing curricula".

This project has been subdivided into two distinct activities: training in integrated border management methodologies for commanders of Border Agencies, subcontracted to ICMPD, along with the related project for Legal Assistance (BOMCA 4, Project 1 – see above); basic skills training in the pilot regions for Border Agency staff, passed by Letter of Agreement from UNDP to specialized UN Agencies (IOM, UNODC, UNHCR).

ICMPD were contracted to undertake an assessment of training curricula and needs in all countries of Central Asia, to serve as a basis for future BOMCA interventions (see training component of work plan for BOMCA 5), and to develop national strategies for the introduction of IBM training.

Field training envisaged under this project was combined with that envisaged under BOMCA Projects 7 and 8, and was contracted to a number of specialized UN Agencies with a requirement that they utilize EU trainers.

Training-of-trainers was conducted in Tajikistan in Summer of 2005. UNODC provided training in intelligence sharing among authorities at the border, risk profiling and search techniques; IOM provided training in border control, visa management and identification of forged documents; UNHCR provided training in asylum rights and human rights. UNDP undertook basic training in computer skills and language scripts, to improve border controller capacities.

Seven hundred and ninety seven Border Agency staff (Border Force & Customs) were trained in Tajikistan by the international agencies through a Train-the-Trainers approach. Each international training team was required to utilize at least one Russian trainer, in

order to improve coordination and align training methodologies of the main international actors.

Training on Human Rights and Asylum Rights/Refugee Protection for the staff of Border Service of the Kyrgyz Republic and State Customs Inspectorate under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic were conducted during November 13-15, 2006 by Polish Expert Ms. Agata Ewertynska.

Training on Document Examination and Visa Security for the staff of Border Service, Customs and Ministry of Interior of the Kyrgyz Republic was conducted during February 19-23, 2007 by Slovakian Expert Mr. Tibor Kovacs (Annex 4).

Training on Phytosanitary (Plant Quarantine) Control for officers of Department of Chemicalisation, Protection and Quarantine of Plants of the Kyrgyz Republic, Water Management and Processing Industry was conducted during March 26-30, 2007 by Netherlands Expert Mr. Marinus Leendert Gijzel.

Training on Risk Analysis and Intelligence Collection has been postponed till the beginning of April 2007 due to insufficient CVs received to announce vacancies for positions of International Expert/Trainer to conduct training.

Eight IBM training sessions at the border in Kyrgyzstan were organized and held as per the following schedule:

- October 10, 2006 for the border staff of Chalдыbar BCP, Chui oblast;
- October 16-18, 2006 for the border staff of Karakol Border Detachment, Issyk-Kul oblast;
- December 11, 2006 for the border staff of Osh airport, Osh oblast;
- December 12, 2006 for the border staff of "Dostuk" BCP, Osh oblast;
- December 13, 2006 for the border staff of "Irkeshtam" BCP, Osh oblast;
- December 14, 2006 for the border staff in Batken and Haidarken;
- December 15, 2006 for the border staff of "Jalalabad" BCP
- January 26, 2007 for the border staff of Kaindy BCP.

The National Trainers, accompanied by the National Curriculum Expert delivered above trainings on inter-agency cooperation for border staff, representatives of border guards, customs, veterinary, phytosanitary and medico-epidemiological services (Annex 5).

2.4 Training for High Ranking Managers

The objective of the project was to sensitise high ranking management to the need for border reforms and the effectiveness of modern border management. This project is considered a vital part of the package of activities necessary to introduce concepts of European border management to Central Asia.

The organization of this Study Tour by the BOMCA regional office began in April 2006. The Study tour provided an opportunity for high ranking managers of Border Controlling Agencies from each CA country to visit the territory of the European Union, Hungary, to learn best practices in border control and to be familiarized with IBM concept. However, the Government of Uzbekistan sent a last minute reply with refusal to participate at this event.

The Study trip was organized in connection with the International Border Police Conference, which was held by the Hungarian Border Guards on May 30-31, 2006. After the participation at this two-day Conference, dealing exclusively with theoretical and professional issues of border management at the strategic level, a seven-days tour (June 1-7, 2006) was made visiting BCPs both at the European internal and external borders, listening to presentations about integrated border management, joint control at BCPs and

joint patrol by mobile units at the green borders, European cooperation mechanism (FRONTEX) etc. European best practices in airport control, searching and controlling international trains was also presented, as well as detailed lectures were provided on the theory and practice of IBM by the Hungarian Border Guards and Customs authorities.

In Uzbekistan, a debriefing/training seminar, based on the outcomes of the Budapest study tour was organized on July 12, 2006. The audience was high and middle-ranking officers of the Border Guards and the Customs Committee.

This project is completed.

2.5 Computer Based Training in the Pilot Regions

The objective of the project is to provide a sustained computer training programme for staff located in the pilot region.

Activities of the project are defined as delivering computer training with special emphasis on the two pilot regions in Tajikistan and in Kyrgyzstan.

This project was originally formulated to support the roll-out to Central Asia of UNODC-prepared inter-active training software designed to improve the interdiction capacities of law enforcement agencies. The software was originally developed for use in South-East Asia, but was translated into a Russian-language version under a UNODC project of the Turkish Drug Control Agency (TADOC).

UNODC has thus been contracted under Letter of Agreement by UNDP to fulfill the EC TORs for this Project. During June 20-28 2006, Mr. John Irvin, UNODC Global CBT Training Coordinator, evaluated the pilot exercise.

Computer classrooms were established by UNDP at four locations along the Tajik-Afghan border, as well as in Dushanbe, in order to implement field training activities under BOMCA 4, Project 3, Training of Border Staff. These computer classes will now become the training centres required by UNODC to fulfill the TORs of the contracted Project.

It should be noted that additional cost-sharing funds received from the UK have been added to the budget given to UNODC under the Letter of Agreement, to finance additional centres in Tajikistan.

After sending a Note Verbal to Kyrgyz MFA on 12 September 2006 on further activities in Kyrgyzstan Mr. Dilmurod Mirkamilov, National Project Officer, UNODC/ROCA and Mr. Sergey Ermolaev, IT Expert, UNODC/ROCA have visited Kyrgyzstan during November 06-13, 2006 with the purpose to start CBT project activities in Kyrgyzstan and coordinate further steps on project implementation in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.

In Kyrgyzstan, the following centres were established to benefit: the national Training Centre for the Border Guard Service proposed for Novopokrovka (and already equipped with a computer classroom under BOMCA 3), and the branch training facility at Osh which will serve the proposed pilot region training in basic skills envisaged under Project 3, Training of Border Staff. Agreement has been reached with the Border Guard Service that all Border Agencies will be able to access Border Detachment 2 HQ in Osh for purposes of training at this satellite training centre. In addition the training classrooms were defined for Ministry of Interior, Customs, Drug Control Agency and Akjol-Kordai BCP (5 computers in each agency).

In Tajikistan, the following centres were established to benefit: Border Detachments in Khorog, Darvoz and Ishkashim (GBAO), Pyanj, Khudjand, Training Center in Leninsky

region and Border Institute in Dushanbe. The sites are split on 3 groups: Dushanbe, GBAO and Khujand.

The Letter of Agreement with UNODC includes funds to support salary payments for IT-specialists for the Border Guard Service. These specialists will serve to maintain equipment and software both of the computer based training centres, and that provided to BCPs and Border Posts. This additional activity/expenditure was considered essential in order to build IT-capacities within each agency, and in order to retain qualified staff who would otherwise seek employment within the private sector. IT Specialist for Kyrgyzstan was successfully selected and started his duty in December 2006. Unfortunately selected candidate left the project and another IT Specialist was selected for this position. Advertisement for 3 positions of IT Specialists in Tajikistan has been announced in March 2007.

Mr. Dilmurod Mirkamilov, National Project Officer, UNODC/ROCA and Mr. Sergey Ermolaev, IT Expert, UNODC/ROCA had the second mission to Kyrgyzstan during March 26 – April 02, 2007 with the purpose to discuss CBT Project implementation strategy and further steps in project implementation; to install computer equipment and CBT software at identified sites in Kyrgyzstan (Border Guards Training Centers in Novopokrovka and Osh, Customs HQ); to monitor operations of CBT site opened in November 2006 at Kyrgyz DCA and to hire IT expert for Kyrgyzstan to manage and maintain computer and IT equipment including software within the BOMCA CBT project. Mission Report is attached as Annex 6.

The computer equipment and CBT software has been delivered and installed at Kyrgyz Customs HQ (6 sets and furniture provided), CBT software installed on computers earlier provided by BOMCA at Border Guards Training Centers in Novopokrovka (11 sets, LAN improved) and Osh (9 sets, LAN provided). The training software and learning management information system installed. Three training managers trained how to organize training process; operate the learning management information system; assign students learning; support students during the learning process. Four sites including DCA are fully operational and ready for use.

The office equipment (11 sets) is procured and LAN works have started in Tajikistan at premises provided and renovated in Border Institute in Dushanbe.

2.6 Airport Control

The objective of the project is to reinforce the control capacity in each national airport of the region.

Activities of the project are to: (1) assess the current situation in each airport; (2) identify needs in terms of training and equipment; (3) draft a manual on visa management; (4) provide training to border and customs officers in each airport; (5) provide specific control equipment for border service.

This project was passed to IOM for implementation, following successful completion of a similar project under BOMCA 3.

Following discussion between Programme Management, AIDCO and IOM, it was decided to target this project at airports suffering problems in regard to human trafficking, specifically the trafficking of young women from Uzbekistan to the UAE and elsewhere. Airports selected were Shymkent, Osh, Khujand and Bukhara. Additionally, Tashkent airport assessed but not equipped under BOMCA 3, was provided with control equipment.

All equipment procurement was undertaken by UNDP, following IOM recommendations and endorsement from the EC Task Manager. However, it should be noted that not all equipment recommended by the subcontractor was procured. The conveyor belt and a thermal system to screen travelers' body temperatures for use at Osh Airport have not been purchased. While these recommendations remain valid, UNDP does not feel that the installation of the conveyor belt for passengers' luggage is part of the BOMCA Programme. Similarly, the procurement of a thermal system for Osh airport at this stage would not be a cost efficient utilization of the resources of this Programme.

Assessments to the following airports were done in Shymkent (Kazakhstan), Osh (Kyrgyzstan), Khujand (Tajikistan) and Bukhara (Uzbekistan). Manuals on visa management were developed for Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan and distributed among national authorities. The visa management training for the staff of assessed airports, central border control and consular authorities were conducted for four countries. Training was conducted for total of 127 participants on fraudulent documents detection, inspection of vehicles and persons crossing the borders, and international migration law for total of 127 participants has been conducted.

Following late endorsement of the BOMCA Programme by the Government of Turkmenistan, it was agreed that a full-scale technical assessment of Turkmen border control capacities would be undertaken under BOMCA 4. Thus, assessment of visa management capacities at Ashgabat airport was agreed under the Coordination Project of BOMCA 4 (Project 10). This assessment was undertaken by an Austrian expert, Ms. Silvia Bojinova, rather than by IOM. Her recommendations were conveyed to the Turkmen authorities in December 2005; no formal response has yet been received, although recommendations have been shared verbally and have been welcomed by technical-level counterparts.

UNDP has received a final report from IOM and made final payment as per Letter of Agreement between UNDP and IOM.

The project is completed.

2.7. Creation of Mobile Units in the regions

The objective of the project is to establish operational mobile control in pilot border regions.

“On the basis of the initial assessment (BOMCA 3), an in depth assessment will be carried out by an expert on mobile border control; on the bases of this assessment equipment and training will be provided to two pilot border zones.” *Programme TORs, BOMCA 4.*

According to the previous CTA of the BOMCA Programme, no separate endorsement of the concept of mobile units is required, given that the legislative framework in each country allows for these already. The CTA did not feel the necessity to employ additional short-term expertise to plan the introduction of mobile units or to assess their needs.

Equipment for mobile units were procured and delivered by UNDP to the Tajikistan pilot area of Gorno Badakhshan. The Project is completed in Tajikistan.

International Expert on Mobile Units, Mr. Andris Purvins, has conducted two-weeks training in Osh, Kyrgyzstan, on September 04-16, 2006 for a total of 25 middle-ranking officers and managers selected from all the agencies dealing with border patrol/drug interdiction. Training in Tajikistan was conducted on October 09-29, 2006. However, the concept of training operational mobile units in accordance with EU best practice is

inappropriate for the hostile environment along parts of the Tajik/Afghan border where clashes between well armed drug trafficking gangs and Border Force troops are not uncommon. The training was carried out in Dushanbe and at four locations along the Tajik / Afghan border as a series of half day seminars for senior & middle ranking officers intended to encourage them to consider how they would use the equipment provided by donors to enhance mobility and communication so as to counter more effectively, illegal cross border movement. It also introduced them to concepts of border patrolling as practiced on the EU's external borders.

The previous CTA of BOMCA agreed to a Kazakh request to utilize available allocation to strengthen mobile units in the Sary-Agash region by dedicating resources to the provision of additional kenneling and equipment for patrol dogs. 30 dog kennels have been delivered to Taraz. The final payment for office equipment for training classes for Taraz Border Detachment was done and IT equipment was delivered to Taraz. 24 posters for training classes for Taraz Border Detachment were delivered in January 2007.

The establishment of mobile units in the Fergana Pilot region in Kyrgyzstan has commenced, equipment and vehicles were provided. Negotiations were held with Border Service and Drug Control Agency in the Kyrgyz Republic on preparation of an Inter-Agency Agreement on mobile unit. The draft agreement was agreed with border agencies and is going to be sent to Prime Minister's office for revision.

2.8 Reinforcement of Border Crossing Points in the Pilot Regions

The objective of the project is to reinforce selected Border Crossing Points (BCPs) located in the pilot border regions. The project will adopt a global approach integrating local communities into the project and developing poverty alleviation assistance in the border zone.

According to the EC TORs, "the project will identify BCPs in the pilot border zones; these BCP will be renovated and equipped. Joint training (Customs/Border service) will be implemented in the BCP and neighboring country will be invited to participate. BOMCA 4 will focus in particular on Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan."

In Tajikistan, three BCPs were identified for reinforcement, all in the Gorno Badakhshan Autonomous Oblast (GBAO): Darvoz, Khorog and Ishkashim. At each location, existing Customs buildings were converted into accommodation for Border Force and Customs staff and new build facilities were provided for joint use of Border Force, Customs & Ministry of Health staff thus providing the conditions necessary for the adoption of integrated border management practices. All buildings were fully equipped. Additionally 3 passport readers was agreed to procure out of available funds allocated for Tajikistan for pilot BCPs (Ruzvai, Tem and Ishkashim). The Project is completed in Tajikistan.

Training in passport and visa management for Border Force personnel in the pilot regions was undertaken as a component of the large scale training undertaken in Tajikistan in Summer of 2005, as part of the multi-Agency Training-of-Trainers activities described under Project 3, Training of Border staff.

Training for border officers required minor renovation works to classrooms at Darvoz, Khorog and Ishkashim (3,000 Euro). These classrooms were equipped with computers (originally intended for border posts by the previous CTA, but redirected to the classrooms in preparation for the Computer Based Training project), and serve as general training facilities for implementation of all phases of the BOMCA and CADAP Programmes.

The provision of infrastructure to local communities took the form of renovation of existing international border markets. At all three BCPs within the pilot zone in Tajikistan, local

markets exist within the Crossing Point compounds. They were upgraded through provision of additional covered shelters for market stalls, on site water supply, electricity and toilet facilities. Using photo ID cards issued for the most recent elections in Afghanistan, Afghans are permitted to cross the border without passports. Originally open on one day per week, the market at Tem (Khorogh) is now open on two days per week and those at Ruzvai and Iskashim are expected to follow suit.

Under its existing Communities Programme, UNDP has increased by three, its network of Jamoat Resource Centres along the Tajik-Afghan border in the Khatlon Region. Subject to adequate funding, it will extend this network into the BOMCA CADAP pilot zone in GBAO.

In Kazakhstan, at the request of the Government, BCPs in Sary-Agash pilot region were strengthened through the extension of power supplies to the border, to allow roll-out of the Berkut information system for the border services. This work was completed in April 2006.

In Uzbekistan, it was agreed to renovate facilities at "Sarasiya-Avto" border crossing point with Tajikistan (Bratstvo on Tajik side), as part of a pilot region intervention linking provision of improved border security under the CADAP Programmes with a resumption of the national Uzbek de-mining effort. Capital renovation works of the BCP "Sarasiya-Avto" are completed by the Contractor in January 2007 at the amount USD 44,801.23 (including design and ToR). Following to EC Delegation approval to a Contract addendum this activity has been contracted from resources previously allocated to the contingency budget line.

The project is completed.

2.9 Border Dog capacity in the Pilot Regions

The objective of the project is to establish an operational local dog capacity in each of the pilot border regions of Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.

According to the EC TORs, "UNDP jointly with local authorities will define needs in terms of equipment and training; the project will renovate and equip local dog centre in the pilot regions of Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan; Uzbek and Kazakh dog training centres will also receive support in terms of equipment and renovation; Uzbek and Kazakh training centres will organise training for their Tajik, Turkmen and Kyrgyz counterparts."

Assessment of needs at the Regional Dog Training Centres in Almaty and Tashkent was undertaken, and equipment (and breeding dogs) provided. Two three-month training courses for dog handlers, including provision of new dogs, were provided at Almaty (February-April 2005), and in Tashkent (September-November 2005). Each training included five handlers from each Central Asian country. The Project is completed in Kazakhstan. OSCE parallel-financed the addition of five trainees from Afghanistan to the Tashkent training. The majority of trainers will serve in the pilot regions; however, some will serve at national airports or at other borders, as per the requirements of individual countries. The training and assessments benefited from two-week missions of Austrian dog handling expert, Mr. Josef Schützenhofer.

As per agreement with the Regional Programme Manager the tender to make posters for Dog Training Center in Almaty has been announced in January 2007 and all documents have been submitted to UNDP office. As soon as tender document will be approved the printing works will be started and completed by June 2007.

Facilities for local dog units were established at Khorog in Tajikistan, to serve the GBAO pilot region, and are being established at Osh Border Detachment 2 HQ, to serve the

Kyrgyz/Uzbek border pilot region. Construction works for the Khorog Dog Unit were completed in August 2006. Apart from provision of veterinary equipment now being procured the Project is completed in Tajikistan.

Construction works at Osh Dog Unit Center are finished. IT equipment and domestic appliances are delivered to Osh Dog Unit Center. Specialised dog equipment is in the process of delivery to Osh Dog Unit Center. Official opening ceremony of the Osh Dog Training Unit was organized on December 11, 2006 with participation of Mr. Adriaan van der Meer, EC Ambassador. Tender for construction of the Osh Dog Unit Center second phase was announced on January 05, 2007 and closed on February 15, 2007. Internal tender evaluation was finalised and tender documentation submitted to UNDP CAP.

A European Study Tour for Directors and staff of Central Asian Dog Training Centres from Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan and Tajikistan (9 participants) took place in Austria during March 26-30, 2007 to learn the best practice of European Dog Training Academy in terms of dogs handling, building on the excellent relationships the Programme Management developed in this country and the obvious qualities of the Austrian system.

2.10 Coordination of International Assistance

The objective of the project is to facilitate coordination of European and international assistance in the fields of border management and security in Central Asia with a view to increase assistance and to gain in effectiveness and impact.

According to the EC TORs, "BOMCA also aims at encouraging coordination of border and security assistance in central Asia. To reach this objective UNDP will develop three activities: to organise regular meetings with donors community, to set up an "assistance matrix" and to create a data base border management and security in central Asia."

Two successful donor coordination conferences were held in Dushanbe, Tajikistan, in February and September 2005. The President of Tajikistan addressed the September conference. Tajikistan was the main focus of international community concern and Programme activities during 2005. The Programme Manager has also engaged in a number of bilateral meetings with donors and implementing Agencies around the Region in order to encourage coordination and cooperation in regard to border management and security programming.

The ability of the BOMCA Programme to emerge as a coordination platform for donor assistance – and the idea that donors will adjust their assistance to the BOMCA framework – needs to be based on BOMCA delivery of quality programme rather than statements of intent in the EC TORs or at conferences. Re-organisation of activities during 2005, and improved rate of delivery, has created a momentum in the Programme, and a high-profile with Government and international community throughout most of Central Asia.

An additional 2m Euro of cost-sharing was agreed by the EC with the UK, as support to implementation of the projects of BOMCA and CADAP in Tajikistan. This project was completed in mid December 2006. A further GBP 500 thousand was received in two separate tranches in 2006 to upgrade Border Outposts in the pilot zone. This project is expected to be completed by September 2007 but further funding to extend the project has been requested. The German Embassy in Dushanbe has provided 37,500 Euro in parallel financing to ensure closer liaison between Tajik and Afghan law enforcement Agencies. This project was completed in November 2006 but is likely to be extended in 2007. Coordination with the USA (the largest donor to LEAs and Ministry of Defense in Tajikistan) has improved significantly in recent months, particularly in Tajikistan, and the Programme is now set to replicate this success in the other countries of Central Asia.

BOMCA involvement in the planning of an EC Kabul border management intervention to strengthen the Afghan side of the Tajik-Afghan border opposite the BOMCA – CADAP pilot zone in GBAO, has met with an enthusiastic response from EU Member States and the USA, and is leading to improved profile of the BOMCA project and increased collaboration particularly with the UK, Germany, France and Austria.

National Steering Committee meetings were held in Astana on April 11, 2006 and then on October 27, 2006; in Tashkent on April 26, 2006 taking into account the lessons learnt from the Astana meeting and on January 24, 2007; in Ashgabat on May 26, 2006 and November 17, 2006; in Dushanbe on July 12, 2006 and February 21, 2007; in Bishkek on August 18, 2006 and March 02, 2007.

Coordinated by BOMCA/CADAP, technical level Donor Coordination Meetings are held at the EC Delegation in Tajikistan every month (January 18, February 15 and March 16, 2007) with a rotating Chairmanship. Regular attendees include representatives from the German, Russian, UK, & US Embassies, OSCE, EC, IOM, UNODC, UNHCR, UNDP, BOMBAF, & Russian Federal Border Service Advisory Mission.

3. SUMMARY OF PROJECT PLANNING FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE PROJECT

3.1 Legal Assistance

The UNDP is awaiting the final report for Projects 1 and 3 from ICMPD according to the Contract for Professional Consulting Services between UNDP and ICMPD to be submitted by end of April – beginning May 2007 for further UNDP and EC endorsement and final payment.

The renovation works of the premises provided for Inter-Agency Working Group at the Border Guards Committee in Uzbekistan will be completed by end of the Programme phase.

3.2. Construction of Training Infrastructure for Border Services

Construction works at the Training Centres in Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan are on-going. Regular supervision of the ongoing works is foreseen throughout the remaining time of the project with a view to achieve the technical quality foreseen by the beneficiary and to effect or commit all payments.

In Uzbekistan, a Training Center for the Border Guard Service is under construction in Termez with a completion date end of June 2007. EU visibility event and handover ceremony will be scheduled at a later stage.

In regard to the Training Centre in Kyrgyzstan (Novopokrovka) the construction works will be finalised by the end of the project. The adjusted list of equipment and furniture is expected in the first half April 2007. The list will be finalised by the end April 2007 and submitted to the Procurement section. Procurement of equipment and furniture will be made by the end of the Programme phase.

In Tajikistan, the completion of Phase 2, which is building a complex for 60 staff of Training Institute for Officer Cadets of the Border Force, is foreseen in end April-beginning of May 2007. The official handover ceremony is planned for June 2007.

3.3. Training for Border Staff

Training on Risk Analysis and Intelligence Collection for the staff of Border Service of the Kyrgyz Republic and State Customs Inspectorate under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic are foreseen to take place on April 09-13, 2007.

3.4. Training for High Ranking Managers

The project is completed.

3.5. Computer Based Training in the Pilot Regions

The premises of provided training room in the Mol in Kyrgyzstan will be renovated and the remaining equipment for the Centers in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan will be procured and installed as per the signed Letter of Agreement between UNDP and UNODC. Renovation works in Tajikistan will be based on the results of the joint mission to Tajikistan by Mr. Dilmurod Mirkamilov, NPO, UNODC/ROCA and BOMCA staff which is planned to late April 2007. The purpose of this mission is to assess existing training rooms, check availability and compatibility of computers to conduct CBT trainings. Training

modules/workplans of interactive computer based training will be installed in the training centres during June-September 2007 as well as training for training managers will be provided for managers of identified sites so they will provide on-site trainings to Border Guard, Custom, DCA and Police officers.

The third UNODC mission to Kyrgyzstan is preliminary scheduled for the end of May – beginning of June 2007 when a training room in the Ministry of Interior is renovated, to equip and install training software. The official opening of the training sites in Novopokrovka, Osh, Customs and Ministry of Interior will be held within the third mission.

3.6 Airport Control

The project is completed.

3.7. Creation of Mobile Units in the Pilot Regions

Preparation of an Inter-Agency Agreement on mobile unit establishment in Kyrgyzstan is in process, pending to Government Resolution. As it was mentioned by Government this issue is of a very complicated nature, and the formalization would require the amendment of a number of legislations. The authorities are, however, prepared to use the increased border control capacity in a more integrated way and are also in principle prepared to organize joint operations on a monthly basis. Negotiations were held with Border Service and Drug Control Agency on preparation of an Inter-Agency Agreement on mobile unit. The draft agreement was agreed with border agencies and is going to be sent to Prime Minister' office for revision. Technical advisory support will be provided to Border Service to have an inter-agency agreement finalised with other agencies.

3.8 Reinforcement of Border Crossing Points in the Pilot Regions

The project is completed.

3.9 Border Dog Capacity in the Pilot Regions

A European Study Tour for Directors and staff of Central Asian Dog Training Centres from Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan (6 participants) to learn the best practice of European Dog Training Academy in terms of dogs handling is scheduled for April 02-06, 2007.

A part of specialized dog equipment was delivered to Osh Dog Unit Center. The other part is pending delivery to Kyrgyzstan as the supplier is facing with administrative constrains in Russia, Once Russian Customs clears the dog equipment (which is expected in April 2007) it will be immediately delivered to the Osh Dog Training Center. Once UNDP CAP decision will be made regarding the approval for construction of the second phase of Osh Dog Unit Center, which is expected in the first half of April 2007, a contract with the construction company will be raised by the end of April 2007 in order to proceed with works itself.

Provision of the veterinary equipment for established local dog units in Tajikistan is expected in May 2007.

Posters for Dog Training Center in Almaty will be printed by June 2007.

3.10 Coordination of International Assistance

Donor coordination meetings are an ongoing requirement, and will continue to be held on regular basis.

The EC Delegation has requested UNDP not to implement the envisaged donor workshop in Brussels.

A Regional beneficiary workshop will be held in Almaty during Spring/Summer 2007, which will have a dual purpose as a Regional Annual BOMCA/CADAP Review Meeting.

Steering committees will be conducted as per the following preliminary schedule:

- a) Kyrgyzstan - it planned for September 2007, to be confirmed by the Kyrgyz Government;
- b) Turkmenistan - it is planned for mid May 2007 and October 2007, to be confirmed by the Turkmen Government;
- c) Kazakhstan - it is planned April 19, 2007 and October 2007, to be confirmed by the Kazakh Government;
- d) Uzbekistan - it is planned to October 2007, to be confirmed by the Uzbek Government;
- e) Tajikistan - it is planned for September 2007, to be confirmed by the Tajik Government.

Donor Coordination meetings will be organized on a quarterly basis in Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan and monthly meetings will be organized in Tajikistan.

4. PROJECT PROGRESS IN REPORTING PERIOD

4.1. Legal Assistance

The Closing Regional Conference was conducted in Bishkek on February 27-28, 2007 with participation of representatives from all Central Asian countries with the purpose to discuss implementation of the European Union's IBM concept in Central Asia. The participants of the Conference discussed the status quo in the CA countries in the field of IBM, training work plans and future perspectives of the national strategies. ICMPD also presented its Handbook for Implementation of the EU IBM concept in Central Asia with practical examples of IBM implementation and guidance for establishment of national IBM strategies and action plans by all agencies involved in border management, e.g. border guards, customs, phytosanitary and veterinary inspections.

4.2. Construction of Training Infrastructure

The Project is completed in Tajikistan and Kazakhstan.

The office and radio equipment for the Training Center in Termez were transferred to Border Guards Committee in Uzbekistan.

A contract with Sher-Kurulush Company for construction works in Novopokrovka Training Center was raised for USD 429,561.90 on March 13, 2007 with a construction period of 11 months. List of equipment and furniture needed for Training Center of the Border Service in Novopokrovka was received from Border Service in the second half January 2007. Technical specifications were worked out and agreed with Border Service in February 2007. However, the list seemed don't fit with the Training design schemes and actual needed equipment and furniture. Border Service is adjusting the initial list with the actual required equipment and furniture in line with the building design documentation provided.

4.3. Training for Border Staff

The one-day IBM training for the staff of Border Service, Customs, Epidemiology Department of Health Ministry, two departments on Chemicalisation and Sanitary the Ministry of Agriculture was held in Kaindy BCP (Kyrgyzstan) on January 26, 2007. It was the last training in the frame of the pilot IBM trainings work plan.

Training on Document Examination and Visa Security for the staff of Border Service, Customs and Ministry of Interior of the Kyrgyz Republic was conducted during February 19-23, 2007 by Slovakian Expert Mr. Tibor Kovacs.

Training on Phytosanitary (Plant Quarantine) Control for officers of Department of Chemicalisation, Protection and Quarantine of Plants of the Kyrgyz Republic, Water Management and Processing Industry was conducted during March 26-30, 2007 by Netherlands Expert Mr. Marinus Leendert Gijzel.

Border Guards Committee in Uzbekistan provided the Inter-Agency Working Group with premises. Equipment and furniture were procured and delivered. Renovation works of the premises launched.

4.4 Training for High Ranking Managers

The Project is completed.

4.5 Computer Based Training in the Pilot Regions

Advertisement for 3 positions of IT Specialists in Tajikistan has been announced in March 2007.

Mr. Dilmurod Mirkamilov, National Project Officer, UNODC/ROCA and Mr. Sergey Ermolaev, IT Expert, UNODC/ROCA had conducted the second mission to Kyrgyzstan during March 26 – April 02, 2007 with the purpose to discuss CBT Project implementation strategy and further steps in project implementation; to install computer equipment and CBT software at identified sites in Kyrgyzstan (Border Guards Training Centers in Novopokrovka and Osh, Customs HQ); to monitor operations of CBT site opened in November 2006 at Kyrgyz DCA and to hire IT expert for Kyrgyzstan to manage and maintain computer and IT equipment including software within the BOMCA CBT project.

The computer equipment and CBT software has been delivered and installed at Kyrgyz Customs HQ (6 sets and furniture provided), CBT software installed on computers earlier provided by BOMCA at Border Guards Training Centers in Novopokrovka (11 sets, LAN improved) and Osh (9 sets, LAN provided). The training software and learning management information system installed. Three training managers trained how to organize training process; operate the learning management information system; assign students learning; support students during the learning process. Four sites including DCA are fully operational and ready for use.

The office equipment (11 sets) is procured and LAN works have started in Tajikistan at premises provided and renovated in Border Institute in Dushanbe.

4.6 Airport Control

The Project is completed.

4.7 Creation of Mobile Units in the Pilot Regions

24 posters for training classes for Taraz Border Detachment were delivered in January 2007.

Negotiations were held with Border Service and Drug Control Agency in the Kyrgyz Republic on preparation of an Inter-Agency Agreement on mobile unit. The draft agreement was agreed with border agencies and is going to be sent to Prime Minister's office for revision.

The Project is completed in Kazakhstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan.

4.8 Reinforcement of Border Crossing Points in the Pilot Regions

Capital renovation works of the BCP "Sarasiya-Avto" in Uzbekistan are completed by the Contractor in January 2007.

The Project is completed.

4.9 Border Dog Capacity in the Pilot Regions

Part of specialised dog equipment for Osh Dog Unit Center is delivered.

A European Study Tour for Directors and staff of Central Asian Dog Training Centres from Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan and Tajikistan (9 participants) took place in Austria during

March 26-30, 2007 to learn the best practice of European Dog Training Academy in terms of dogs handling, building on the excellent relationships the Programme Management developed in this country and the obvious qualities of the Austrian system.

Posters for Dog Training Center in Almaty will be printed by June 2007.

4.10 Coordination of International Assistance

Steering committees were held in Kazakhstan on January 24, 2007, in Tajikistan on February 21, 2007 and in Kyrgyzstan on March 02, 2007 during the reporting period.

Donor Coordination Meetings were held in Tajikistan on January 18, February 15 and March 16, 2007 with participation of representatives from US Embassy, OSCE, EC, IOM, UNODC, UNHCR, UNDP, BOMCA/CADAP, BOMBAF, Russian Embassy and Russian Border Force.

5. PROJECT PLANNING FOR NEXT REPORTING PERIOD

5.1 Legal assistance

UNDP is awaiting the final report from ICMPD for this Project together with Project 3 by end of April – beginning of May 2007 for further UNDP and EC endorsement.

5.2 Construction of training infrastructure

In Uzbekistan, the construction of a Training Center for the Border Guard Service in Termez is foreseen to be completed by end of June 2007.

In Tajikistan, the completion of Phase 2, which is building a complex for 60 staff of Training Institute for Officer Cadets of the Border Force, is foreseen in end April-beginning of May 2007. The official handover ceremony is planned for June 2007.

The construction works in Novopokrovka Training Center (Kyrgyzstan) will be on-going during the next reporting period.

5.3 Training for border staff

The training on Risk Analysis and Intelligence Collection for the staff of Border Service of the Kyrgyz Republic and State Customs Inspectorate under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic will be conducted during April 09-13, 2007.

5.4 Training for High Ranking Managers

The project is completed.

5.5 Computer Based Training in the Pilot Regions

During the next reporting period the renovation works of provided training room in the Mol in Kyrgyzstan will be on-going and will be completed by end of May 2007. It is foreseen partially to procure the remaining equipment both for Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.

Mr. Dilmurod Mirkamilov, NPO, UNODC/ROCA together with BOMCA staff will conduct an assessment mission to identified sites in Tajikistan which is planned to late April 2007.

Also, there will be the third UNODC mission to Kyrgyzstan in end of May – beginning of June 2007 in order to equip the renovated premises of the Ministry of Interior and install training software. Another purpose of this mission is to conduct official opening ceremonies of the training sites in Novopokrovka, Osh, Customs and Mol.

5.6 Airport control

The project is completed.

5.7 Creation of mobile units in pilot regions

The Inter-Agency Agreement on mobile units will be sent to the Prime Minister office under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic for revision during next reporting period. Technical advisory support will be provided to Border Service to have an inter-agency agreement finalised with other agencies.

5.8 Reinforcement of border crossing points in pilot regions

The project is completed.

5.9 Border dog capacity in the region

The European Study Tour for Directors and staff of Central Asian Dog Training Centers from Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan (total 6 participants) will take place in Austria during April 02-06, 2007.

The remaining part of specialized dog equipment is planned to be delivered to Osh Dog Unit Center in April 2007. Once UNDP CAP decision will be made regarding the approval for construction of the second phase of Osh Dog Unit Center, which is expected in the first half of April 2007, a contract with the construction company will be raised by the end of April 2007 in order to proceed with works itself.

Provision of the veterinary equipment for established local dog units in Tajikistan is expected in May 2007.

The delivery of posters for Dog Training Center in Almaty is planned for June 2007.

5.10 Coordination of International assistance

BOMCA Steering Committee meetings are to be held in Kazakhstan on April 19, 2007 and in Turkmenistan in mid May 2007,

Regular coordination meetings with counterparts and representatives of the international community are ongoing. In Tajikistan, meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of every month at the offices of the EC Delegation in Dushanbe. Donor Coordination meetings in Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan will be organized on a quarterly basis (dates to be confirmed by Chief Technical Advisors).

FORM 2.2: PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

Project title: Border Management in Central Asia 4				Project number :				Country : Central Asian Republics				Page :			
Planning period: : 01.01.2007-31.03.2007				Prepared on: 31.03.2007				EC Consultant : UNDP							
Project objectives: facilitate the licit flow of persons and goods over Central Asian Borders and increase security in Central Asia															
No	ACTIVITIES IMPLEMENTED	TIME FRAME 2006						INPUTS							
		Months						PERSONNEL EC CONSULTANT		COUNTERPART		EQUIPMENT AND MATERIAL		OTHER	
		Jan	Feb	Mar				Planned	Utilised	Planned	Utilised	Planned	Utilised	Planned	Utilised
1.1	To establish Political level Task Forces in order to oversee Programme implementation														
1.2	To assess current legal frameworks and to propose recommendations														
1.3	To produce & disseminate Guidelines on IBM for Central Asia	x	x	x				0.5 m/m int	0.5 m/m int						
1.4	To organize Regional conference on IBM and Study Tour to Europe														
1.5	To establish IAWGs to support Programme implementation	x	x	x				0.5 m/m int	0.5 m/m int						
1.6	To develop National Strategies and workplans for IBM implementation	x	x	x				1.0 m/m int	1.0 m/m int						
2.1	To agree on sites and scope of works for training centres with national authorities														
2.2	To agree on design of renovation/ construction works to be undertaken														
2.3	To subcontract works, procure & deliver required equipment and furniture	x	x	x											
3.1	To renovate Border infrastructure at pilot sites/pilot regions	x	xx	x				0.5 m/m int	0.5 m/m int						
3.2	To provide Border Agencies with equipment to facilitate IBM trial		x	x				0.5 m/m int	0.5 m/m int						

3.4 4.1	To strengthen Regional Dog Centre at Almaty and train dogs and handlers from CA for deployment to current and future pilot regions/site To establish regular donor coordination meetings for donors and implementing Agencies on border management assistance																				
							Total	3 m/m int	3 m/m int												

FORM 2.3: RESOURCE UTILISATION REPORT

Project title : Border Management in Central Asia 4		Project number :		Country : Central Asian Republics		Page :	
Planning period : 01.01.2007 -31.03.2007		Prepared on : 31.03.2007		EC Consultant : UNDP			
Project objectives : facilitate the licit flow of persons and goods over Central Asian Borders and increase security in Central Asia							
RESOURCES/INPUTS	TOTAL PLANNED	PERIOD PLANNED	PERIOD REALISED	TOTAL REALISED	AVAILABLE REMAINDER	FOR	
PERSONNEL							
International experts	50 m/m			50 m/m	0 m/m (BOMCA 4.1)		
	12 m/m	3 m/m	3 m/m	6 m/m	6 m/m remaining under BOMCA 4.2		
Sub-total							
Sub-total							
OTHER INPUTS							
Sub-total							
TOTAL							

FORM 2.4. OUTPUT PERFORMANCE REPORT

Project Title : Border Management in Central Asia 4		Project number :	Country : Central Asian Republics	Page :
Prepared on : 31-03-2007			EC Consultant : UNDP	
Output results	Deviation original plan + or - %	Reason for deviation		Comment on constraints & assumptions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legislation and institutional frameworks revised/reformed as necessary • Training facilities of Border Agencies renovated/constructed • Border control capacity strengthened at selected airport, seaport and stretches of green border • Coordination framework established for border management assistance of EU Member States and other donors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • -10% • +5% • -10 % • -10 % 	<p>Good progress. IBM seminar successfully organised in Ashgabat in 11/06. Final conference organised on February 27-28, 2007</p> <p>Additional funds were allocated to the renovation of TC in Tajikistan and Kazakhstan. Tajik TC was assessed as a priority after the departure of Russian Border Guards, Uzbek TC to be finalised not in Autumn, but in spring 2007</p> <p>Still some activities are on-going at Kyrgyz BCPs. Turkmenistan is dealt with under Bomca 5</p> <p>Framework fully established in Tajikistan and in Turkmenistan. Still to be formally established formally in other countries, even if very close contacts have been established with EU Member States & donors</p>		<p>The political will to facilitate infrastructural investment has always been met. Assumption still valid</p> <p>idem</p>

REPORT

TRAINING OF BORDER STAFF

Project Title: EU/UNDP Border Management Programme in Central Asia (BOMCA)
BOMCA Phase IV / 3

Country: Kyrgyz Republic

Date of Training: 19. 2 – 23. 2. 2007

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I. Introduction

With the act of gaining independence by the Kyrgyz Republic, the competent authorities – Border Guard, Customs Service etc – for border protection attained full responsibility for its duties and the organizational structure to carry out border control and border surveillance. This responsibility entails a right but also a duty to make changes when necessary in the system of border protection, as well in the organizational structure, in order to maintain public order, peace and security.

Within the organizational structure one of the most important issues is a human factor, the education and training of its own staff. The border agencies are in charge of establishing the education and training system in its own structures – to build the capacity to make a long term, sustainable improvement and to promote a collaborative approach. This is a field where the above mentioned authorities in different countries could and should cooperate and share its own experiences in order to achieve the most effective results.

Improving the education and training system and enhancing the cooperation of the border guard services with other administrations and bodies in line with establishing and improving the legal and regulatory framework of border management according to EU best practices - in particular regarding the scope of tasks and responsibilities, and the cooperation agreement with other services - is one of the main tasks of the project of the European Union's Border Management Programme in Central Asia (BOMCA 4). The project was implemented by UNDP offices in Central Asia under the supervision of the European Commission.

II. Training of Border Staff

Part of the project covers the training of border staff on document examination and visa security. This training was organized by the BOMCA/CADAP Programme Management Office in the Kyrgyz Republic at a professional level, with well prepared participants, adequate equipments and place, from February 19th – 23rd, 2007 in Bishkek. The aim of the training was to carry out the training of the staff of the Border Service of the Kyrgyz Republic and the State Customs Inspectorate under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic.

The responsibility of the international training expert was to prepare selected training materials, develop curriculum and training modules, and to prepare a comprehensive training plan and agenda for the training course on Document Examination and Visa Security over a five day period on the following topics:

1. General concept on documents,
2. Visa policy,
3. EU's experience in visa harmonization,
4. Procedure of issuing the visa for different categories of visitors,
5. Types, content and security features of the travel documents and visas,
6. Validity of the travel documents and visas,
7. Types of forged or counterfeit documents,
8. Methods used to detect document fraud,
9. Special technical equipment on document verification and examination,

10. Biometric identification systems,
11. Operational, forensic and technological ways to detect travel documents,
12. Automated and audited operational policies for entry and exit processing,
13. Security features and biometric data to protect visas against fraud and corruption.

Following the Terms of the international expert on Document Examination and Visa Security, those topics were included into the training. As they meet a wide range of subjects in the field of border protection - including visa policy, biometry, document security, etc. – they were divided into three main groups:

1. general concepts on documents, document security, printing techniques, detection methods of counterfeit/false documents, technical equipment on document verification,
2. polymer substrates, electronic storages, biometry, identification systems,
3. Border protection, Visa policy, Visa security, EU's best practices.

Regarding these main groups, the training was staggered into five working days according to the following plan:

Monday – February, 19th

- 9:00 – 9:10 – Welcome
- 9:15 – 9:30 – Preliminary test
- 9:30 – 10:00 – Identity chain
- 10:00 – 10:10 – Break
- 10:10 – 10:30 – General Concept on Documents
- 10:30 – 11:00 – Devices for Document Verification
- 11:00 – 11:10 – Break
- 11:10 – 11:30 – Paper Production
- 11:30 – 12:00 – Security Features in the Paper
- 12:00 – 13:00 – Lunch
- 13:00 – 13:05 – Printing techniques
- 13:05 – 13:30 – Offset printing
- 13:30 – 14:00 – Intaglio printing
- 14:00 – 14:10 – Break
- 14:10 – 14:30 – Letterpress printing
- 14:30 – 15:00 – Screen printing
- 15:00 – 15:10 – Break
- 15:10 – 15:30 – Printing Safeguards
- 15:30 – 16:00 – Passport Production

Tuesday – February, 20th

- 9:00 – 9:30 – Photograph Security Elements
- 9:30 – 10:00 – Laminate Safeguards
- 10:00 – 10:10 – Break

10:10 – 10:30 – Document Personalization
10:30 – 11:00 – Machine Readable Zone
11:00 – 11:10 – Break
11:10 – 12:00 – Significance of Counterfeit Documents
12:00 – 13:00 – Lunch
13:00 – 16:00 – Case Studies

Wednesday – February, 21st

9:00 – 10:00 – Polymer Substrates
10:00 – 10:10 – Break
10:10 – 11:00 – Printing Process
11:00 – 11:10 – Break
11:10 – 12:00 – Lamination Process
12:00 – 13:00 – Lunch
13:00 – 14:00 – Storage Devices
14:00 – 14:10 – Break
14:10 – 15:00 – Biometry
15:00 – 15:10 – Break
15:10 – 16:00 – Face Recognition, Look-a-like

Thursday - February, 22nd

9:00 – 10:00 – Frontex – (European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union)
10:00 – 10:10 – Break
10:10 – 11:00 – Schengen Manual, EU's best practices
11:00 – 11:10 – Break
11:10 – 12:00 – Integrated Border Protection
12:00 – 13:00 – Lunch
13:00 – 15:00 – Information Systems – FADO, SIS, SIRENE, VIS
15:00 – 15:20 – Final Test

Friday – February, 23rd

9:00 – 9:30 – Visa Policy
9:30 – 10:00 – EU's experience in Visa Harmonization
10:00 – 10:10 – break
10:10 – 11:00 – Types and Content
11:10 – 12:00 – Security Features of the EU Visa Stickers
12:00 – 13:00 – Lunch
13:00 – 14:00 – Procedure of Issuing the Visa for different categories of Visitors
14:00 – 14:10 – Break
14:10 – 15:00 – Evaluation

The training was conducted in the English language, interpreted simultaneously into the Russian language. Presentations were undertaken mainly by PowerPoint presentations, completed with practical demonstrations, visual aids and specimens.

Before the beginning of the training the participants were provided with a unit pack supported by BOMCA/CADAP Programme Management Office in the Kyrgyz Republic and portable magnifying glass and stationary supported by the trainer.

For the purpose of evaluating the efficiency of the training and to control the participants' knowledge concerning the field of training a test was prepared (annex 1), which the participants were asked to take at the beginning of the training and at the end of the training. The preliminary test and final test were evaluated and compared (annex 2). This feedback proved the participants' theoretical and practical readiness to handle the problems connected with document and travellers checking, and in general to handle border protection. They also showed they had a good background in their knowledge of the national education system. Another prepared additional visual aid that supported all participants was the "Passport Examination Manual" (annex 3) which can be used both at the daily work duties and in training as a teaching material. The main teaching materials used during the training (annex 4) are presentations in the "PowerPoint" format.

III. Proposals regarding the training system

At the beginning it would be suitable to emphasize that regarding the training system the full responsibility is held by the competent authorities in the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic. In this context these proposals only have an advisory function.

The educational system of the armed forces in general is based on a common curriculum taught in regular schools of the armed forces, which does not cover the specific fields of border protection – e.g. document security, biometry, identification systems etc. Those fields belong amongst those to which increased attention should be paid.

To have an increased capacity in the identification of document security and fraud features - or in any other specific field – it is proposed to establish a national project where a "contact person" would be nominated within the organisation structure of the Border Guard or/and Customs Service of the Kyrgyz Republic in each district, who would have a reserved and appointed time (e.g. 1 week/each month) to prepare, organize and conduct training for units responsible for border protection. Without a systematic training of its own staff, the efficiency of detected fraudulent/counterfeit documents markedly declines in quality and quantity.

To avoid such a negative effect it is recommended to:

- Nominate the "contact persons" in each district and a project leader at a central level.
- Reserve necessary time for contact persons to prepare, organize and conduct trainings.
- Equip the nominated contact persons with necessary accessories – laptop, projector, screen, stationary, manuals.

- Divide training groups into 3 levels:

- 1st basic level for “newcomers” (duration - 1 day)
- 2nd level for border staff (duration – 1 or 2 day)
- 3rd level for shift leader on border cross points (duration – min 2 days)
- The number of people in each training group should be kept relatively limited (up to 12 persons). For numbers higher than 12, the interactivity of the training is unrealistic and the effectiveness of the training declines in quality.

Advantages of the proposed establishment of the training system:

- The establishment of such a system in education would bring a positive effect in the number of detected falsified/counterfeit documents.
- The Kyrgyz competent authorities already have trained staff prepared to be nominated as contact persons – trained on a course on Document Examination and Visa Security, the establishment of the mentioned training system is viable.
- No need to invest into the human network. A change of certain competences of contact persons would suffice for the needs of the new system.
- The experiences show there is a demand from the side of the border staff - this demand would be satisfied.

Dangers – There are a few circumstances which could threaten the proposed establishment of a recommended training system:

- Not providing contact persons with enough time, space and competence to prepare trainings properly.
- Lack of necessary equipment - projector, laptop etc. Separated border agency as Kyrgyz Border Guard could hardly deal with the process of supplying all of its districts with these equipment within a short time. Following up BOMCA/CADAP or/and UNDP support in any way would be recommended.
- If there are more persons on a training session than is recommended.

The international trainer remains in contact with the BOMCA/CADAP Programme Management Office in the Kyrgyz Republic.

IV. List of Annexes

- Annex 1 - Preliminary / final test
- Annex 2 - Evaluation
- Annex 3 - Passport Examination Manual
- Annex 4 - Presentations

IBM trainings for border staff

"INTEGRATED APPROACH IN BORDER CONTROL AT THE STATE BORDER OF THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC"

Border Management and Drug Action Programmes in Central Asia (BOMCA/CADAP)



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COMPILED REPORT ON IBM TRAININGS CONDUCTED IN KYRGYZSTAN

Programme: Border Management Programme in Central Asia (BOMCA)
Project Phase: BOMCA 4.2., Project 3 - "Training for Border Staff"
Prepared by: Ms. Jumagul Esenalieva, National Expert on Curriculum and Training in the Kyrgyz Republic

This report covers the series of IBM trainings conducted within the framework of BOMCA 4.2, Project 3 ("Training for Border Staff"). The overall objective of these trainings is to introduce the border staff of relevant authorities involved in border management in Kyrgyzstan to the Integrated Border Management (IBM) concept that consists of ensuring coordination and cooperation of different agencies in realization of border controls with a view to establish a more comprehensive, effective and efficient system of border management. Trainings were carried out by national trainers based on the Training Implementation Plan (see *Annex I*), Training Curriculum (see *Annex II*) and Course Design/Training Agenda (see *Annex III*) developed by the members of Inter-agency Sub-Working Group on Training (SWGT) during their regular meetings. National trainers possessing relevant qualification and work experience were nominated by relevant agencies involved in border management in Kyrgyzstan:

- Border Service of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- State Customs Inspectorate under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- Department of Chemicalization, Protection and Quarantine of Plants, Ministry of Agriculture, Water Management and Processing Industry of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- Department of the State Veterinary, Ministry of Agriculture, Water Management and Processing Industry of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- Republican Center for Quarantine and Extremely Dangerous Infections, Department of the State Sanitary–Epidemiological Inspection, Ministry of Health of the Kyrgyz Republic.

IBM trainings were conducted during the period of September-December 2006 at 9 various types of border crossing points (auto, air, railway) along the perimeter of Kyrgyz border. The border staff from other 17 border crossing points, 23 customs stations as well as personnel of regional veterinary, phytosanitary and sanitary Departments located in each oblast was invited to participate in trainings conducted at mentioned 9 border crossing points. The geographical area of IBM trainings embraces 6 oblasts of Kyrgyzstan: Batken, Chui, Jalalabat, Issyk-Kul, Naryn and Osh. The total number of training participants is 270 people.

More detailed information on these trainings is provided in the following Annexes of this document:

- *Annex I.* Training Implementation Plan
- *Annex II.* Training Curriculum
- *Annex III.* Course Design/Training Agenda

▪ **Annex I. Training Implementation Plan**

1. Chui oblast

№	Name of BCP	Type of BCP	Date	Number of participant	Venue
1	Ak-Jol	Automobile	September 5, 2006	26	“Ak-Tilek” customs station
2	Ak-Tilek	Automobile			
3	Chaldybar	Automobile	October 10, 2006	25	“Chaldybar” Border Control Department
4	Kaindy	Railway	January 26, 2007	23	Will be provided by Customs Inspectorate

2. At the border with China

№	Name of BCP	Type of BCP	Date	Number of participant	Venue
1	Torugart	Automobile	September 19, 2006	29	Naryn Border Detachment
2	Irkeshtam	Automobile	December 13, 2006	24	Conducted at Osh Border Detachment

3. Issyk-Kul oblast

№	Name of BCP	Type of BCP	Date	Number of participant	Venue
1	Karkyra	Automobile	October 17, 2006	21	Karakol Border Detachment
2	Karakol border detachment				

4. South region (Batken, Jalalabat and Osh oblasts)

№	Name of BCP	Type of BCP	Date	Number of participant	Venue
1	Osh-airport	Air	December 11, 2006	21	“Osh- airport” Border Control Department
2	Dostuk	Automobile	December 12, 2006	26	Osh Border Detachment

3	Irkeshtam	Automobile	December 13, 2006	24	Osh Border Detachment
4	Batken	Automobile	December 14, 2006	22	Osh Border Detachment
5	Jalalabat	Railway	December 15, 2006	29	Regional Customs of Jalalabat oblast

Annex II. Training Curriculum

**(by the example of IBM training conducted at “Osh” airport
on December 11, 2006)**

SUBJECT:

**«INTERGRATED APPROCAH IN BORDER CONTROL AT THE STATE
BORDER OF THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC»** basic training on IBM concept

OBJECTIVES:

Introducing the competences, tasks and activities of all agencies presented at the State border of the Kyrgyz Republic with an aim of enhancing the level of awareness in the importance of integrated border management and further strengthening of cooperation among agencies involved in border management in the Kyrgyz Republic.

TARGET GROUP:

Staff of border, customs, phytosanitary, sanitary–epidemiological and veterinary services of “Osh” airport.

Number of participants: 26 trainees

THEMATIC CONTENT:

1. Organizational structure of different border agencies
2. Legislation/legal framework
3. Basic tasks and competences all agencies
4. Common points of joint work

TRAINERS:

1. *Mr. Taalaibek Adashpasov* – Deputy Head of the Main Border Control Department, Border Service of the Kyrgyz Republic;
2. *Ms. Meerim Abdukadyrova* - Head of Training Center, State Customs Inspectorate under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic;
3. *Ms. Angela Morkovkina* - Head of the Republican Plant Quarantine Laboratory, Department of Chemicalization, Plant Protection and Quarantine of the Kyrgyz Republic, of the Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resource and Processing Industry of the Kyrgyz Republic;

4. *Ms. Olga Gavrilova* - Head of Laboratory on Diagnostics of Plague and Anthrax, Republican Center for Quarantine and Extremely Dangerous Infections, Ministry of Health of the Kyrgyz Republic;
5. *Mr. Vladimir Finyakin* - Chief Expert, Department of the State Veterinary, Ministry of Agriculture, Water Resource and Processing Industry of the Kyrgyz Republic.

DURATION: One day

METHODOLOGY:

Interactive teaching methods, including:

- power point presentations;
- visual aids and handouts;
- situational analysis/case studies (practical group work)

LOCATION:

Training room of “Osh-airport” Border Control Department (renovated and equipped by BOMCA/CADAP Programmes)

CONTACT PERSON:

Ms. Jumagul Esenalieva, National Expert on Curriculum and Training in the Kyrgyz Republic, EU/UNDP Border Management and Drug Action Programmes in Central Asia (BOMCA/CADAP)

Annex III. Course Design/Training Agenda

(by the example of IBM training conducted at “Ak-Tilek” BCP
on September 5, 2006)

10:00-10:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening remarks by Mr. Tamas Kiss - BOMCA/CADAP Project Manager in Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan; • Opening remarks by Ms. Jumagul Esenalieva - BOMCA/CADAP National Expert on Curriculum and Training in the Kyrgyz Republic
10:15-11:00	<p>Topic: «Competence, Tasks and Role of Border Control at the State border of the Kyrgyz Republic» (trainer – <i>Mr. Adashpasov T.</i>)</p>
11:00-11:45	<p>Topic: «Competence, Tasks and Role of Phytosanitary Control at the State border of the Kyrgyz Republic» (trainer – <i>Ms. Morkovkina A.B.</i>)</p>
11:45-12:05	Coffee-break
12:05-12:50	<p>Topic: «Competence, Tasks and Role of Sanitary–Epidemiological Control at the State border of the Kyrgyz Republic» (trainer –<i>Ms. Gavrilova O. N.</i>)</p>
12:50-14:00	Lunch
14:00-14:40	<p>Topic: «Competence, Tasks and Role of Customs Control at the State border of the Kyrgyz Republic » (trainer – <i>Ms. Abdykadyrova M.</i>)</p>
14:40-15:25	<p>Topic: «Competence, Tasks and Role of Veterinary Control at the State border of the Kyrgyz Republic» (trainer – Mr. Finyakin V.D.)</p>
15:25-15:45	Coffee-break
15:45-16:25	Discussion of cases (situational analysis) – practical team work
16:25-16:45	Questions, comments, feedback (evaluation forms)
16:45-17:00	Closing remarks by Ms. Jumagul Esenalieva - BOMCA/CADAP National Expert on Curriculum and Training in the Kyrgyz Republic
17:00-17.10	“Family picture”



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Управление по Наркотикам и Преступности
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MISSION REPORT

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NPO, UNODC/ROCA
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2. **Places visited:** BOMCA-CADAP Regional Office, Border Guards Training Center in Novopokrovka, Customs HQ, Border Guards Training Center in Osh, Drug Control Agency (Kyrgyzstan).
3. **Date:** March 26 – April 02, 2007
4. **Purpose of mission:** To install computer equipment and CBT software at identified CBT sites in Kyrgyzstan, make recruitment of IT specialist, monitor DCA training site opened in November 2006, coordinate further steps with BOMCA on project implementation in Kyrgyzstan;

5. Background:

On September 8, 2005, the Letter of Agreement (LA) between UNDP and UNODC on joint implementation of the European Union's Border Management Programme in Central Asia (BOMCA) was signed. Within the framework of this LA the UNODC agreed to provide services in implementation of EC BOMCA Project 5 COMPUTER BASED TRAINING IN PILOT REGIONS (P5 CBT).

The project builds training capacities of the Border Services of Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan through the provision of renovated and equipped training classrooms, and the introduction of CD-ROM based interactive learning software.

The project funds extension of the UNODC project AD/RER/F60 "Computer based drug law enforcement training in the member countries of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Sub-Regional Cooperation in Drug Control (Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan)" in Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan. It aims to develop and implement self-sustaining training programs to counter drug trafficking, money laundering and related cross-border criminal activity through the application of a computer-based training program. The immediate objective is to introduce high-quality computer-based law enforcement

training program in MOU member countries which includes all countries of Central Asia.

The NPO and IT Expert have visited Kyrgyzstan with the purpose to install computer equipment and CBT software at identified CBT sites in Kyrgyzstan, make recruitment of IT specialist, monitor DCA training site, and coordinate further steps with BOMCA on project implementation in Kyrgyzstan.

The following mission tasks were determined:

1. Further steps coordination with BOMCA on CBT Project implementation in Kyrgyzstan;
 - To discuss with BOMCA country management (Kyrgyzstan) CBT Project implementation strategy and further steps in project implementation;
2. To install computer equipment and CBT software at identified sites in Kyrgyzstan (Border Guards Training Centers in Novopokrovka and Osh, Customs HQ);
 - To install computers and training software;
 - To train training managers how to:
 - organize training process;
 - operate learning management information system;
 - assign students learning;
 - support students during the learning process;
3. To monitor operations of CBT site opened in November 2006 at Kyrgyz DCA;
4. To hire IT expert for Kyrgyzstan to manage and maintain computer and IT equipment including software within the BOMCA CBT project.

6. Main outcomes:

From the substantial and practical viewpoint, the following could be described as main outcomes of the visit:

- a) CBT Project implementation strategy and further steps in Kyrgyzstan have been discussed with Mr. Ruslan Baiysh Tegin, Country Manager of BOMCA-CADAP programmes in Kyrgyz Republic; Cholponbek Omuraliev, Deputy Country Manager of BOMCA-CADAP programmes in Kyrgyz Republic; and Ludmila Kim, Programme Assistant.
It was agreed that BOMCA colleagues, in coordination with local law enforcement agencies, will propose where to open new CBT sites in Kyrgyzstan and will provide CBT project manager with exact locations. The proposal will be made by BOMCA based on available funds. The BOMCA colleagues will also recommend on dates and arrangements for the official hand over ceremony. The draft of Hand over Document on opened sites will be provided to BOMCA for consideration and add-ins.
- b) The computer equipment and CBT software installed at Kyrgyz Customs HQ (6 sets and furniture provided), CBT software installed on computers earlier provided by BOMCA at Border Guards Training Centers in

Novopokrovka (11 sets, LAN improved) and Osh (9 sets, LAN provided). The training software and learning management information system installed. Three training managers trained how to organize training process; operate the learning management information system; assign students learning; support students during the learning process.

All three sites opened are fully operational and ready for use.

During the meeting at the Border Guards Service HQ in Bishkek, together with BOMCA Country Manager, senior managers were briefed on CBT project including first-hand demonstration of training programme capabilities:

- Col. Kuskakbaev Bakhtyar Kabylovich – deputy head of international relations department;
- Col. Shamyraliev Syrdybek Sharaheevich - head of HR department;
- Col. Raiymov Toychubek Aiypovich - deputy head of communications and automation department;
- Col. Usubaliev Talaybek Kadyrkulovich – head of Training Centers department;
- Maj. Satybaldieva Aigul Abdumomunovna – officer programmer, communications and automation department.

The counterparts briefed have expressed very keen interest to CBT project opportunities and training programme capabilities.

- c) The CBT site opened at Kyrgyz DCA was monitored and found extensively used by DCA contingent. 30 officers are completing CBT training. Training reports are obtained.
- d) On March 27, the interview for IT expert vacancy under CBT project took place at UNODC sub-office in Bishkek. Mr. Cholponbek Omuraliev represented BOMCA in interviewing panel. Mr. Bakburkan Temirkanov has been selected as IT expert from five candidates.
All training managers at CBT sites opened in Kyrgyz Republic were informed on IT specialist existence and his duties.

7. Follow up and actions:

- To send BOMCA the draft of Hand over Document for consideration and additions;
- To receive from BOMCA proposals where to open new CBT sites with exact locations (number of sites will be based on available funds);
- To receive from BOMCA dates and arrangements for the official hand over ceremony;
- To revitalize activities on renovation works at the Ministry of Interior (6 computer sets and furniture procured);
- To settle down with UNODC sub-office in Bishkek all issues related to Mr. Bakburkan Temirkanov duties (contract);

- To follow up training managers activities at DCA, Customs and Border Guards;