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Addendum

II. Recommendations (*continued*)

Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance

1. The following recommendations were formulated by the Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance:

(a) States should update their records in the Directory of Central and Competent Authorities, available under the knowledge management portal known as Sharing Electronic Resources and Laws on Crime (SHERLOC), in order to make the Directory a useful tool for practitioners and foster international cooperation;

(b) States should consider contributing to the maintenance and further development of SHERLOC in order to sustain the gathering, dissemination and analysis of information. Such contributions can be financial or in kind, through, for example, support for translation of relevant legislation and case law.

III. Summary of deliberations

Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance

A. Status of information provided by States parties on the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto and related technical assistance (agenda item 3)

2. At its seventh meeting, on 12 October 2017, the Working Group considered agenda item 3, on the status of responses by States parties and signatories on the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto and related technical assistance. The discussion on the agenda item was facilitated by a presentation by a representative of the Secretariat.



3. Several speakers emphasized the usefulness of SHERLOC and its databases, in particular the Directory of Competent National Authorities, which is used on a daily basis by many competent authorities. The importance of keeping the CNA Directory up to date was emphasized. One speaker suggested to create further synergies between SHERLOC and the portal entitled Tools and Resources for Anti-Corruption Knowledge (TRACK).
4. Speakers encouraged States to further contribute to the development and maintenance of SHERLOC.

IV. Organization of the meetings

B. Statements

5. Under agenda item 3 of the Working Group of Government Experts on Technical Assistance, statements were made by representatives of the following States parties to the Convention: Algeria, Romania, United States of America.
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