Information and Intelligence

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Intelligence Input → Intelligence Gathering → Analysis → Evidence Gathering → Prosecution → Intelligence Input
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Covert → Overt
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### Intelligence Gathering
- Analyse existing information – databases
- Previous cases
- Informants
- Surveillance
- Official records
- Public records
- Inter-agency cooperation

### Evidence Gathering
- Surveillance
- Witnesses
- Searches
- Suspect interviews
- Forensic Analysis

### Prosecution
- Case preparation
- Liaison with prosecutors
- Victim/Witness support
- Media liaison
Intelligence
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“Arguably the most valuable commodity in the field of criminal investigations and law enforcement.”

Gosling, 21 Nov 2012 - Cebu
Intelligence

- Good intelligence can save time, money and resources
- Informants are cost effective and have valuable knowledge
- Intelligence initiates action
- Without intelligence you rely on reaction and luck
Managing Intelligence
INTERPOL

• 190 Countries – NCBs
• I24/7 Secure Communications Network
• Command and Coordination Centre
• Dedicated Environmental Crime Programme
• Databases – People, Fingerprint, DNA
• Notices – Hazards and Nominal Information
WCO/RILO

- 11 Regional Intelligence Liaison Offices
- CEN Database – Data and Information
- Downloads for Analysis, Images
- National Customs Contact Point
Ecomessage

- Standardised Format
- Comprehensive content
- Print/Edit – electronic – typewritten
- Facilitates easy entry to INTERPOL databases
- Available from INTERPOL.int
Considerations

• Why is information not shared more frequently?
• What are the impediments to sharing information?
• How can we address these issues?
Project REN

- Research and Analysis
  - Desk based - seizure
  - Analysis
- Investigations
  - In depth – significant cases
  - Liaison with RILO/INTERPOL
  - Supporting enforcement operations
Intelligence

“We also use inside information from intelligence sources”

Thailand Customs
Intelligence

“The most important thing, top of the list is for agencies to work together and share information”

US EPA
Intelligence

“If there’s no sharing of information you can’t put a stop to the illegal importation”

US EPA
Thank you

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Regional Enforcement Network for Chemicals and Waste