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## CUSTOMS OPERATION WITH WCO AND IRACM TO STOP CONTAINERS IN AFRICAN SEAPORTS



Operation BIYELA 2 was running from May 21st to June 4th 2014 in the main containers ports of Sub-Saharan Africa and opened the way to the seizure of illicit and counterfeit pharmaceutical products. All the details of this operation will be communicated soon.

## MODEL LAWS TO FIGHT COUNTERFEIT MEDICINES

As part of its cooperation with UNODC, IRACM is involved in the preparation of draft model laws to assist states in the adoption process of comprehensive national laws to better fight counterfeit medicines. A working session is scheduled from

## NEWS SECTION EUROPE

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### **2 additional cancer treatments illegally distributed in Europe**

Italian authorities identified two additional products: Avastin and Mabthera that have been stolen and distributed illegally from their territory into the European supply chain.

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## NEWS SECTION CANADA

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### **2 traffickers arrested and a clandestine laboratory dismantled**

Two traffickers of fake Viagra and Cialis operating in a clandestine laboratory able to produce 18,000 pills per hour were arrested by the police of



July 9 to 11 in Vienna to finalize the model laws.

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## **BAMAKO (MALI), 17 & 18 JUNE 2014: WORKSHOP TO PREVENT COUNTERFEIT AND ILLEGAL PRODUCTS**



The event involved 45 participants. It was organized by the Commercial Law Development Program of the U.S. Department of Commerce and was funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development. IRACM focused on the different types of counterfeit drugs that are currently circulating on the African continent, by gearing his speech on veterinary vaccines and prevention of counterfeiting.

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## **COUNTERFEIT MEDICINES WITH MAX AND TONY**



IRACM has produced an informative animated movie explaining counterfeit medicines. The main topics explain what counterfeit medicines are, the scope of the phenomenon, the Internet problem and of course the solutions.

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## **INTERNATIONAL QUARTERLY PRESS REVIEW – APRIL TO JUNE 2014**

IRACM compiles the global news published on fake and falsified / counterfeit medicines during the last three months. The international quarterly press review will be posted

Montreal.  
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## **NEWS SECTION VENEZUELA & COLOMBIA**

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### **A trafficking of falsified medicines dismantled**

An police raid resulted in the arrest of 25 people: 14 in Colombia and 11 in Venezuela. They dismantled an international network dedicated to smuggling and falsification of drugs.

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## **NEWS SECTION CHINA & TAIWAN**

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### **A joint law enforcement operation to arrest 34 people involved in trafficking of fake drugs**

Chinese and Taiwanese authorities have seized more than 980,000 counterfeit pills in a joint operation.

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## **NEWS SECTION GABON**

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### **50 sellers of counterfeit medicines arrested**

The operation to stop the proliferation of "pharmacies on the floor" and street sellers was conducted in the markets of Mont-Bouet, Nkembo and PK8.

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