

CANADIAN INITIATIVE FOR SECURITY IN CENTRAL AMERICA (CISCA)

[The Canadian Initiative for Security in Central America \(CISCA\)](#), launched by Prime Minister Stephen Harper during the Sixth Summit of the Americas builds on Canada's existing security programming in Central America and will disburse over \$25 million over five years to strengthen security initiatives. CISCA will focus on enhancing police training, border security, regional dialogue, justice and security institutions, human rights, conflict resolution and reconciliation processes, and prevention and intervention in cases of violence against vulnerable groups such as women and youth. This initiative is part of Canada's ongoing engagement in the Americas and the goal to strengthen security and institutions in the region.



SIXTH SUMMIT MANDATE:

To strengthen the system of hemispheric cooperation to prevent and combat transnational organized crime, taking into consideration the economic purpose associated with this phenomenon, through mechanisms that support the strengthening of the necessary national capacities, as appropriate, to confront these threats in a concerted manner, taking advantage of experiences and available resources from existing networks, bodies, and mechanisms, in accordance with international and domestic law. (Citizen Security and Transnational Organized Crime)

PROGRAMS:

Ongoing projects implemented by the Anti-Crime Capacity-Building Program (ACCBP) and the Stabilization and Reconstruction Task Force (START).

- Specialized equipment to support law enforcement in Central America
- Equipment for the Police Academy in Costa Rica (Phase II)
- Central American Ballistics Information Network (CABIN)
- Support for OAS - Guatemala/Belize Security and Mediation Initiatives

PARTNERS:

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