

# **ANNUAL REPORTS OF GOVERNMENTS**

UNDER THE CONVENTION OF 13 JULY 1931 FOR LIMITING THE MANUFACTURE AND REGULATING THE DISTRIBUTION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS. AS AMENDED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 11 DECEMBER 1946

NOTE BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL -- The Secretary-General has the honour to communicate herewith an annual report forwarded to him in pursuance of Article 21 of the Convention of 13 July 1931 for Limiting the Manufacture and Regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs, as amended by the Protocol of 11 December 1946. (For the form of annual reports, see document E/NR. 1949/Form)

# HAITI

Annual Report for 1952 Communicated by the Government of Haiti

### A. GENERAL

#### I LAWS AND PUBLICATIONS

No new law was enacted repealing or amending the Narcotics Act of 16 July 1952. Pharmacies and the sale of narcotic drugs are still regulated by the said Act.

The Health Department has prepared a Bill in accordance with the recommendations of the protocol of 19 November 1948. A copy will be forwarded to the Permanent Central Opium Board immediately after the Bill is ratified by the Legislature. In the meantine the text is being carefully studied by the Health Department.

#### **II ADMINISTRATION**

No modification has been introduced in the system of import certificates in respect of narcotic drugs. The system continued to operate satisfactorily in 1952. It still remains the responsibility of the Office of the Director-General, on behalf of the Minister of Health, to issue import certificates, to carry out inspections of pharmacies every six months, to fix the annual quota in proportion to the needs of the population, and to assess the needs of each pharmacy on the basis of its turnover of medicines and raw materials.

#### III CONTROL OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE

The import certificate system remained unchanged during the year, since it continues to operate satisfactorily, and has not given rise to any difficulties.

Haiti maintains trade relations only with countries which have adopted the import certificate system, and which return copies of the import certificates issued in Haiti.

# IV INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION

Haiti signed no treaty or agreement concerning

narcotic drugs during 1952, apart from acceding to the instruments adopted by the United Nations.

#### V ILLICIT TRAFFIC

The authorities detected and frustrated an attempted illicit sale of 250 grammes of opium powder and 30 grammes of cocaine. The offenders were arrested and sent for trial.

The cultivation of raw materials and the manufacture of narcotic substances are strictly forbidden in Haiti, which explains why cases of drug addiction are so rare.

# VI<sup>1</sup> OTHER INFORMATION

#### None.

# **B. RAW MATERIALS**

Haiti does not produce any raw materials that can be used in the manufacture of narcotic drugs. The necessary products of that nature are imported from abroad, mainly from the United States of America.

### C. MANUFACTURED DRUGS

X INTERNAL CONTROL OF MANUFACTURED DRUGS

No narcotic drugs are manufactured in Haiti.

#### D. OTHER QUESTIONS

XI CHAPTER IV OF THE HAGUE OPIUM **CONVENTION OF 1912** 

None.

# XII PREPARED OPIUM

Under the Act of 16 July 1922 only licensed pharmacists may be in possession of prepared opium, in such quantities as they need.

1/ Note by the Secretariat: This report contains no information in regard to Chapters VII, VIII and IX.

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