

## DECREE No. 4,432

Decree No. 4,432 was published in Official Gazette No. 42,070 dated February 18, 2021, by means of which the National Anti-Drug Office (ONA) will become the National Anti-Drug Superintendence, a National Office with the ability to manage its budget, and also with administrative and financial abilities, it will be hierarchically dependent on the People's Power Ministry for Domestic Relations, Justice and Peace, and will be governed from now on by the provisions of this Decree and other regulations that may be applicable.



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Article 1. The National Anti-Drug Office (ONA, by its Spanish initials) will become the NATIONAL ANTI-DRUG SUPERINTENDENCE, a national office with the ability to manage its budget, and also with administrative and financial abilities, it will be hierarchically dependent on the People's Power Ministry for Domestic Relations, Justice and Peace, and will be governed from now on by the provisions of this Decree and other regulations that may be applicable.

The National Anti-Drug Superintendence may use, jointly or separately, the acronym SNA for all administrative and jurisdictional purposes.

Article 2. The National Anti-Drug Superintendence (SNA) is the governing body in charge of designing, planning, structuring, formulating and executing public policies and State strategies against the crime of illicit trafficking and drug abuse, as well as the organization, direction, control, coordination, inspection and supervision, at the national level, in the areas of prevention of misuse, drug use, addiction treatment, combating illicit drug trafficking, the operational area of international relations in the matter and the support in the prevention of money laundering from these activities.

Article 3. The National Anti-Drug Superintendence (SNA) will be in charge of a male or female Superintendent appointed by the People's Power Minister for Domestic Relations, Justice and Peace, with prior authorization from the President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

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Article 4. It is the responsibility of the National Anti-Drug Superintendence (SNA) the following:

1. Design, plan, structure, formulate and execute public policies and strategies of the Executive Branch against illicit drug trafficking, abuse and consumption of drugs.
2. Organize, direct, control, coordinate, inspect and supervise, at the national level, the prevention of misuse, drug use and addiction treatment, in coordination with the People's Power Ministry with competency in health matters; the fight against illicit drug trafficking and the operational area of international relationships on the matter.
3. Study the problems derived from illicit drug trafficking and the diversion of controlled chemical substances.
4. Study the problems caused by the misuse and consumption of drugs in the commission of crimes.
5. Design, plan, structure, formulate and execute programs for the prevention of abuse, drug use and addiction treatment.
6. Develop researches that support the work of intelligence, control and inspection of controlled chemical substances and their precursors, in accordance with the Organic Law on Drugs.

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7. Develop statistical studies on drug abuse and consumption in the country.
8. Compile and unify the statistics available in the country on illicit trafficking, improper use, drug use and addiction treatment.
9. Create, direct and coordinate the National Network Against Illicit Drug Trafficking, the Network Against Drug Abuse and Consumption, the Network against the Diversion of Controlled Chemical Substances, the Telecommunications Network Against Illicit Trafficking Operations in the Borders, and articulate with the competent authority the Network Against Money Laundering from the activities of production, trafficking and illicit drug consumption.
10. Promote the creation, direct and coordinate community networks for the prevention of drug use, fostering the active participation of community councils, student councils and any other form of popular organization.
11. Develop, promote and advise the training programs and preparation of specialized personnel in drug matters.
12. Design and coordinate drug abuse and drug consumption prevention programs with business representatives, labor unions and churches of any religion.

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13. Set up, coordinate and direct the inter-institutional working groups that it deems appropriate to fulfill its goals. These working groups will function under the direction and supervision of the governing body, which may request the assistance of the public and private sectors or specialists in the matter that it deems necessary.

14. Develop with the People's Power Ministry with competency in education, prevention plans and programs against illicit drug trafficking, drug abuse and consumption in education centers, public or private.

15. Encourage the development of plans, programs and projects for the prevention against illicit drug trafficking, misuse and drug consumption, in the institutes responsible for promoting culture, sports, the protection of children and adolescents, the family and any other institutions for social promotion.

16. Provide technical advice to the People's Power Ministry with competency in foreign affairs, in international relationships on the matter.

17. Promote, together with the People's Power Ministry with competency in matters of foreign relationships, agreements, treaties and other international instruments of cooperation, to strengthen the efforts of the Executive Branch to prevent the misuse, consumption and illicit drug trafficking and, in general, those that tend to battle the world drug problem.

18. Represent, together with the People's Power Ministry with competence in foreign affairs, the Executive Branch in international spaces in the fight against drugs.

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19. Promote inter-institutional agreements with their counterpart organizations abroad, in matters of information exchange and training, prior knowledge of People's Power Ministry for Domestic Relations, Justice and Peace.

20. Maintain exchange of information and work with the competent bodies and entities of international organizations, in the areas of prevention of illicit drug trafficking, misuse, drug use and addiction treatment.

21. Coordinate in the strategic area with the competent bodies and entities, the areas of health, customs and the prevention of money laundering from the activities of production, trafficking and illicit drug consumption, within the scope of its competence and in coordination with the competent authority in the matter.

22. Establish the technical criteria, as well as the norms and guidelines to be used in the design, planning, structuring, formulation and execution of prevention programs against illicit drug trafficking, drug abuse, drug use and drug addiction treatment, as well as of money laundering from these activities, within the scope of its competence, and in coordination with the competent authority in the matter.

23. Supervise the establishment of formal duties and the enforcement of pertinent pecuniary and administrative penalties in accordance with the Organic Law on Drugs and other current tax regulations.

24. Supervise actions related to the seizure, administration, confiscation, forfeiture and alienation of assets derived from the commission of illicit drug trafficking crimes, in accordance with the Organic Law on Drugs and other applicable regulations.



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25. Establish the technical criteria that have to be met for printed or audiovisual publications and disclosures of informative, training and educational material, from public or private entities, in matters within their competence, and according to that technical criterion, this Superintendence will be able to approve or disapprove their publication or disclosure.

26. Promote the creation of Treatment Centers at all levels in order to assist the family members of drug consumers.

27. Coordinate, in the strategic sphere, with the financial analysis unit, the Public Ministry, the police and military bodies that are responsible for intelligence, criminal investigation and repression of illicit drug trafficking and the prevention of money laundering in its area of competency.

28. Disseminate plans, programs and projects in the area of comprehensive prevention, treatment, rehabilitation and social reintegration.

29. Other responsibilities that are attributed to it by reason of the matter and the laws.

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Article 5. The National Anti-Drug Superintendence (SNA) will have the support and substantive agencies that it requires to fulfill its purpose, as determined in the respective regulations, in which the number, organization, powers and operation of the administrative units that they will integrate it, as well as its specialized decentralized services without legal personality, after approval of the organizational structure by the People's Power Ministry with competency in planning matters, within the framework of the rationalization of spending and administrative continuity.

The National Anti-Drug Superintendence (SNA), in order to fulfill its purpose, must follow the guidelines and policies issued by the Executive Branch, through its hierarchical dependency body and the Central Planning Commission.

Article 6. The National Anti-Drug Superintendence, prior compliance with the applicable legal regulations, will have the assets and budgetary resources assigned to the National Anti-Drug Office, which will be transferred to it; as well as with the selected officials, employees and workers of the aforementioned National Office, who meet the requirements and profiles established by the new decentralized body.

Article 7. The National Anti-Drug Superintendence, (SNA) has to adapt its organization and functional structure, as well as that related to its personnel and what is established in this Decree, prior compliance with the requirements of the law, within ninety (90) days following the publication of this Decree in the Official Gazette of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.



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Article 8. It will be the responsibility of the Internal Audit Office of the People's Power Ministry for Domestic Relations, Justice and Peace, to perform over the National Anti-Drug Superintendence, the Internal Control System and the regime provided in the Law of Partial Reform of the Organic Law of the General Comptroller's Office of the Republic and the National Fiscal Control System and in the other related normative provisions.

Article 9. The provisions of this Decree will be included in a future reform of the Organic Regulations of the People's Power Ministry for Domestic Relations, Justice and Peace.

Article 10. Anything that is not provided for in this Decree may be resolved by the People's Power Minister for Domestic Relations, Justice and Peace within the framework of the current regulatory parameters.

Article 11. Decree No. 4,220, dated January 23, 2006, published in the Official Gazette of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela No. 38,363 of the same date, is repealed.

Article 12. Acts issued under the validity of Decree No. 4,220, dated January 23, 2006, published in the Official Gazette of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela No. 38,363 of the same date, as well as those issued under any other organic or ordinary regulation, will retain their total or partial validity as long as they do not contradict the provisions of this Decree, and until such acts are replaced, amended or repealed by the competent authority.

Article 13. The People's Power Ministers for Domestic Relations, Justice and Peace; of Planning; and of Economy, Finance and Foreign Trade, are in charge of the execution of this Decree.

Article 14. This Decree shall come into force as of its publication in the Official Gazette of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

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