REPORTING INSTRUMENT

1. Origin of the report \Box Help

(a) Name of Contracting Party ☐ Help	The Cooperative Republic of Guyana
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(e) Period reported Help	1	15/September/2005 to 1/December/ 2007			
(f) Date the report was submitted Help 12/December/2007					
2. Demographics Help)				
(a) Age and sex:	Help Creat	e Age Group			
Year (latest available)	ge groups	Percen ma		Percentage of <i>female</i> population	Percentage of total population
(b) Ethnicity (option	al): Help	Create Ethnic	e Group		
Name of ethnic group		centage of total opulation			
3. Tobacco usei. Prevalence (ref.	Article 19.2(a	a), Article 20.	. 2 and A	rticle 20.3(a))	□ Help
(a) Smoking tobacco: Hel	p				
Age gro		bacco productincluded		Year of data latest available)	Prevalence (%)
Males	_				
Daily smokers ²					
Occasional smokers ²					
Females Daily smokers ²	1				

¹ Preferably by 10-year categories; e.g. 25-34, 35-44, etc.

² Definitions to be provided by the Parties.

Occasional smokers ²						
Total (males and females)						
Daily smokers ²						
Occasional smokers ²						

If available, please provide the average number of cigarettes smoked per day by the smoking population:

	Age groups ³ (adults)	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Average number of cigarettes smoked per day
Male smokers ⁴				
Female smokers ²				
Total smokers ²				

(b) Smokeless tobacco, including snuff and chewing tobacco (optional): Help

	Age group	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Prevalence (%)
Male				
Daily users				
Occasional users ²				
Female				
Daily users				
Occasional users ²				
Total				
Daily users				
Occasional users ²				

(c)	If prevalence data is appropriate and available for ethnic groups, please provide.	☐ Help
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³ Preferably by 10-year categories, e.g. 25-34, 35-44, etc.

⁴ Definitions to be provided by the Parties.

	Ethnic group	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Prevalence (%)
Daily users				
Occasional users ²				

(d) If prevalence data is appropriate and available for youth groups, please provide. \Box Help

Create Youth Group

	Youth groups ⁵ 13 -	Tobacco products included	Year of data (latest available)	Prevalence ⁶ (%)
Males		Cigarettes	2004	14.30
Females		Cigarettes	2004	7.50

ii. Supply ☐ Help

(a) Licit supply of tobacco (ref. Article 20.4(c) and Article 15.4(a) in accordance with Article 15.5) Help

	Domestic production	Exports	Imports
Year (latest available)			2006
Quantity (specify product and unit; e.g. millions of cigarettes)			825,138 Cigarettes containing tobacco (kg) 30 kg Cigars, Cheroots and Cigarillos containing tobacco (kg)

⁵ Definitions to be provided by the Parties.

⁶ Parties should provide definition for youth smoking; e.g. at least one cigarette in the past 30 days.

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			Other
			manuafactured tobacco products
			(tobacco not
			stemmed/stripped
			tobacco refuse
			other cigars
Note: licit supply = domestic production	on + (imports - exp	oorts)	<u> </u>
(b) Please provide inform ☐ Help	mation regarding	duty-free sales vo	lumes, if available.
Not Available at Present			
(c) Seizures of illicit toba □ Help	cco (ref. Article	15.4(a) in accordance	e with Article 15.5)
	Year (late available		zed (specify unit, e.g., ons of pieces)
Cigarettes			
Other tobacco products (optional; pleaspecify product):	ase		
(d) Please provide inform (ref. Article 15.4(a) in			
No current information available			
4. Taxation Help	to often time f	Anhananan laga C	- all laurela a C
(a) Please provide your ra government, and be as specific as posseduties) (ref. Article 6.3). Help			

Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes, of tobacco or of tobacco s	ubstitutes
Import Duty of CIF	100%
Rate of Excise (of CIF + Import duty = chargeable value for VAT)	100%
VAT rate (of Chargeble value)	16%
Other manufactured tobacco and manufactured tobacco substitutes: "reconstituted" tobacco; tobacco extracts and essences	'homogenized" or
Import Duty of CIF	100%
Rate of Excise (of CIF + Import duty = chargeable value for VAT)	100%
VAT rate (of Chargeble value)	16%
Un-manufactured tobacco; tobacco refuse.	
Import Duty of CIF	5%

- (b) Please attach the relevant documentation (ref. **Article 6.3**). (Please provide documentation in one of the six official languages, if available.) Help
- (c) Please provide retail prices for the three most popular brands of domestic and imported tobacco products in your jurisdiction, and the relevant year (ref. **Article** 6.2(a)). Help
- (c) Please provide all retail prices for the three (3) most popular brands of domestic and imported tobacco products in your jurisdiction. Please supply these prices for the latest available year in the capital city, from a retail outlet widely used by the local population. Nominal values should be given in local currency. Please specify the kind of tobacco (e.g., cigarette, bidi, chewing tobacco etc.) you are referring to as well as the brand name.

Cigarettes (20 sticks in a pack)
Bristol GY \$200.00
Benson and Hedges GY \$240.00
Pal Mal GY \$180.00

- 5. Legislative, executive, administrative and other measures \Box Help
 - i. Core questions ☐ Help

It should be noted that the measures identified below are not exhaustive, but reflect the spirit and intent of the Convention.

Please check yes or no. For affirmative answers, you are asked to attach a brief summary and the relevant documentation. (Please provide documentation in one of the six official languages, if available.)

Article	Pursuant to Article 21.1(a) , have you adopted and implemented legislative, executive, administrative and/or other measures on:	Yes (please attach a brief summary and relevant documentation)		No
Price and ta	x measures to reduce the demand for tobacco			
6.2(b)	Prohibiting or restricting sales to and/or importations by international travellers of tax- and duty-free tobacco products?	Ye] es	No
Protection f	rom exposure to tobacco smoke	Ful	l/Partial/	/None
8.2	in indoor workplaces?			
□ Help	- government buildings		\boxtimes	
	- health care facilities			
	- educational facilities	\boxtimes		П
	- private workplaces		\boxtimes	
	- other			
	in public transport?			
	in indoor public places?			
	- cultural facilities		\boxtimes	
	- bars and night clubs			
	- restaurants			
	- other			
If you respond ban here:	nded "Partial" to the measures outlined in Article 8.2, please provide spec	cific detai	_	partial
	Partial Ban indicates that these agencies have voluntarily made their spacerm workers/clients/visitors that they are not allowed to smoke in that envir			lacing
Partial Ban:	Partial Ban also indicates that some of the agencies within this sector is sr	noke free		
Regulation	of tobacco product disclosures			
10 ☐ Help	Requiring manufacturers and/or importers of tobacco products to disclose to governmental authorities information about contents?			
Illicit trade	in tobacco products			
15.2(a)	Requiring marking of packaging to assist in determining the origin of the product?	Þ		
	and to assist in determining whether the product is legally for sale on the domestic market?]	\boxtimes
15.3	Requiring that marking is in legible form and/or appear in its principal language or languages?	Þ		

15.4(b)	Enacting or strengthening legislation against illicit trade in tobacco products?				
15.4(e)	Enabling the confiscation of proceeds derived from the illicit trade?	g the confiscation of proceeds derived from the illicit trade?			
15.7	Licensing or other actions to control or regulate production and distribution?				
Sales to and	by minors				
16.1 Help	Prohibiting the sales of tobacco products to minors?	Specify legal age:			
16.2	Prohibiting or promoting the prohibition of the distribution of free tobacco products to the public and especially minors?				
16.3	Prohibiting the sale of cigarettes individually or in small packets?		\boxtimes		
16.6	Providing for penalties against sellers and distributors?		\boxtimes		
16.7	Prohibiting the sales of tobacco products by minors?		\boxtimes		
Liability					
19.1 ☐ Help	Dealing with criminal and civil liability, including compensation where appropriate?				

ii. Optional questions \square Help

It should be noted that responses to these questions are not required at the time of Group 1 reports, but may be answered at this time if applicable.

Article	Have you adopted and implemented legislative, executive, administrative and/or other measures on:	Yes (please attach a brief summary and relevant documentation) ⁷	No
Regulation of	the contents of tobacco products		
9	Testing and measuring the contents of tobacco products?		
☐ Help	Testing and measuring the emissions of tobacco products?		
	Regulating the contents of tobacco products?		
	Regulating the emissions of tobacco products?		

⁷ Please provide these documents in one of the six official languages, if available, and please specify sections of your legislation related to each "yes" response.

Packaging an	d labelling of tobacco products	
11.1(a) ☐ Help	Requiring that packaging and labelling do not promote a product by any means that are false, misleading, deceptive or likely to create an erroneous impression?	
11.1(b)	Requiring that packaging and labelling also carry health warnings describing the harmful effects of tobacco use?	
11.1(b)(i)	Ensuring that the health warnings are approved by the competent national authority?	
11.1(b)(ii)	Ensuring that the health warnings are rotating?	
11.1(b)(iii)	Ensuring that the health warnings are large, clear, visible and legible?	
11.1(b)(iv)	Ensuring that the health warnings occupy no less than 30% of the principal display areas?	
	Ensuring that the health warnings occupy 50% or more of the principal display areas?	
11.1(b)(v)	Ensuring that the health warnings are in the form of, or include, pictures or pictograms?	
11.2	Requiring that packaging and labelling contains information on relevant constituents and emissions of tobacco products?	
11.3		
Tobacco adve	ertising, promotion and sponsorship Help	
13.2	Instituting a comprehensive ban of all tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?	
	including on cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from its territory?	
13.3	Applying restrictions, in the absence of a comprehensive ban, on all tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship?	
	Restricting or instituting a comprehensive ban on cross-border advertising, promotion and sponsorship originating from its territory?	
13.4(a)	Prohibiting all forms of tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship that promote a tobacco product by any means that are false, misleading, deceptive or likely to create an erroneous impression?	
13.4(b)	Requiring that health or other appropriate warnings or messages accompany all tobacco advertising and promotion and sponsorship?	
13.4(c)	Restricting the use of direct or indirect incentives that encourage the purchase of tobacco products by the public?	
13.4(d)	Requiring the disclosure to relevant governmental authorities of expenditures by the tobacco industry on advertising, promotion and sponsorship not yet prohibited?	
13.4(e)	Restricting tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship on radio, television, print media and other media, such as the Internet?	

		T	,		
13.4(f)	Prohibiting or restricting tobacco sponsorship of international events, activities and/or participants therein?				
•	any additional legislation or other measures not covered in Citional details here: Help	Question 5, you r	nay		
i. It should be	ogrammes and plans Help Core questions Help noted that the measures identified below are not exhaustive, but Convention.	reflect the spirit	and		
		Yes (please attach the relevant documentation) ⁸	No		
	eloped and implemented comprehensive multisectoral national		\boxtimes		

If you responded yes to either of the first two questions, which of the following do these strategies, plans and programmes cover? Please check, and provide a brief summary. (Please provide the summary in one of the six official languages.)

 \boxtimes

tobacco control strategies, plans and programmes? (Article 5.1)

implemented? (Article 5.1)

If no, have some partial strategies, plans and programmes been developed and

 $^{^{\}rm 8}$ Please provide these documents in one of the six official languages, if possible.

General o	hligations Help	
5.2(a)	A national coordinating mechanism or focal point(s) for tobacco control? National Tobacco Control Council, Guyana Chaired by the Minister of Health Made up of Ministerial Appointed representatives from relevant Government Agencies, Civil Society Groups and International Organisations. The secretariat is located within the Health Promotion/Education Unit and is Headed by the Coordinator, Health Promotion who is National Tobacco Control Focal Point.	
5.3	Protection of policies from the commercial and other vested interests of the tobacco industry?	
Education	, communication, training and public awareness Help	
12(a)	Broad access to effective and comprehensive educational and public awareness programmes on the health risks? . Materials have been prepared and are distributed at several activities, exhibitions. targeted at adults and/or the general public? Materials have been prepared and are being distributed.	
	targeted at children and youth? All Educational Facilities were declared 100% smoke free in September 2007. Due to this several activities within the education sector were initiated to support this policy. within the school system a) Materials are being created to support the Health and Family Life Education Curriculum which is a skills based curriculum currently being implemented. b) Addition of tobacco control realted topics to scheduled school activities such as debating competitions etc.	
12(b)	Public awareness about the health risks of tobacco consumption and exposure to tobacco smoke, and about the benefits of the cessation of tobacco use and tobacco-free lifestyles? Materials have been developed and are distributed during exhibitions and other activities.	
12(c)	Public access to a wide range of information on the tobacco industry?	
12(e)	Awareness and participation of public and private agencies and nongovernmental organizations not affiliated with the tobacco industry in developing and implementing intersectoral programmes and strategies for tobacco control? Civil Society is represented on the National Tobacco Control Council, Guyana and participates in all activities.	

Demand	reduction measures concerning tobacco dependence and cessation Help		
14.1	Comprehensive and integrated guidelines based on scientific evidence and best practices to promote cessation of tobacco use and adequate treatment for tobacco dependence?		
	Guidelines on Treating Tobacco Use and Dependence based on the WHO recomnedations was prepared, reviewed by technical personnel within the Ministry of Health and is being reviewed by the Pan American Health Organisation.		
14.2(d)	Facilitation of accessibility and affordability for treatment of tobacco dependence including pharmaceutical products?		
	Reccomendations have been made for the inclusion of Phamaceutical products into the National Drug Formulary, Guyana.		
	Additionally Insurance Companies including the National Insurance Scheme which is a compulsory contribution for all workers support all prescribed drugs.		
Provision	of support for economically viable alternative activities Help		
17	Promotion of economically viable alternatives for tobacco workers, growers and, as the case may be, individual sellers?		
Research	, surveillance and exchange of information Help		
20.1(a)	Research that addresses the determinants and consequences of tobacco consumption and exposure to tobacco smoke as well as research for identification of alternative crops?		
	The Global Youth Tobacco Survey was conducted in 2000 and 2004		
	PATIOs was conducted in 2005 and 2006		
	Global Tobacco Control Report was conducted in 2006		
	Economic Study on Tobacco Control was conducted in June - August 2007 (awaiting final document)		
20.4(b)	Updated data from national surveillance programmes?		

ii. Optional questions Help

Education, communication, training and public awareness Help				
12(d)	Appropriate training or awareness programmes on tobacco control addressed to persons such as health, community and social workers, media professionals, educators, decision-makers, administrators and other concerned persons?	\boxtimes		
	The National Tobacco Control Focal point has been exposed to training outside of Guyana and also represents Guyana at relevant meetings.			
	The members of the National Tobacco Control Council, Guyana which includes a wide cross section of technical persons have been exposed to training on Tobacco Control as well as relevant persons represent Guyana at relevant meetings.			

12(f)	Public awareness of and access to information regarding the adverse health, economic, and environmental consequences of tobacco production and consumption? Awareness sessions were held on dangers of smoking and the need for smoke free environments		
Demand reduction measures cond	cerning tobacco dependence and cessation Help		
14.2(a)	Design and implementation of programmes aimed at promoting the cessation of tobacco use, in such locations as educational institutions, health care facilities, workplaces and sporting environments?		
14.2(b)	Diagnosis and treatment of tobacco dependence and counselling services on cessation of tobacco use in national health and education programmes, plans and strategies, with the participation of health workers, community workers and social workers?		
14.2(c)	Establishment in health care facilities and rehabilitation centres of programmes for diagnosing, counselling, preventing and treating tobacco dependence?		
Protection of the environment and	d the health of persons Help		
18	Due regard to the protection of the environment and the health of persons in relation to the environment in respect of tobacco cultivation and manufacture within its territory?		
	Tobacco products are not being cultivated or manufactured in Guyana at present		
Research, surveillance and excha	nge of information Help		
20.1(b)	Training and support for all those engaged in tobacco control activities, including research, implementation and evaluation?		
Programmes for national, regional and global surveillance of the magnitude, patterns, determinants and consequences of tobacco consumption and exposure to tobacco smoke?			
20.3(a)	A national system for epidemiological surveillance of tobacco consumption and related social, economic and health indicators?		
20.4	The exchange of publicly available scientific, technical, socioeconomic, commercial and legal information, as well as information regarding practices of the tobacco industry and the cultivation of tobacco?		
20.4(a)	An updated database of laws and regulations on tobacco control, and information about their enforcement, as well as pertinent jurisprudence?		

7. Technical and f	inancial assistance	□ Help			
The goal of this section is skills and resources with it		ariat in facilitating	the o	coordination	of available
Pursuant to Article 21.1(c) (be it through unilateral, be relevant regional and development institutions) tobacco control programs transition in any of the following	oilateral, regional, sub international intergo for the development a mes of developing of	regional or other m vernmental organi and strengthening of	ultila izatic f mul	nteral channe ons and fi tisectoral co	els, including nancial and mprehensive
			prov (ple	istance vided ase give uils below)	Assistance received (please give details below)
Development, transfer and acqueapacity and expertise related t			□Ү	es / 🗌 No	⊠Yes / □ No
Provision of technical, scientification strengthen national tobacco core (Article 22.1(b))			ШΥ	es / □ No	⊠Yes / □ No
Appropriate training or sensitiz in accordance with Article 12?		ppropriate personnel	□Y	es / 🗌 No	⊠Yes / □ No
Provision of the necessary mate logistical support, for tobacco (Article 22.1(d))			□У	es / □ No	⊠Yes / □ No
Identification of methods for to treatment of nicotine addiction		comprehensive	□Ү	es / 🗌 No	⊠Yes / □ No
Promotion of research to increat treatment of nicotine addiction		omprehensive	□Y	es / 🗌 No	□Yes / □ No
Other. Specify:					
Additional details:					
If you answered no to any of the consideration.	e above, please identify	any financial or techn	nical a	ssistance that	may be under
If you answered yes to any of the above, please identify the country or countries from/to which assistance was received/provided.					
All external Tobacco Control support is being received from the Pan American Health Organisation/World Health Organisation					
Pursuant to Article 21.3 , l support developing countr obligations?					
Assistance provided				o (please give	

□ Help	below)		details below)
Additional details:			
If you answered no to any of the consideration.	ne above, please identify	any financial or technical	assistance that may be under
If you answered yes to any of treceived/provided.	the above, please identify	y the country or countries	from/to which assistance was
Have you identified any sp the financial and technical	• .		nd the needs assessed, for
Yes (please give details bel	ow)	□No	
Additional details:			
8. Priorities for i	implementation of	the WHO Frame	work Convention on

Tobacco Control \square Help

What are the priority areas for implementation of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control in your jurisdiction? (Ref. **Article 21.1(b)**)

The priorities are as follows

Development of a National Tobacco Control Comprehensive Plan that will focus on the following priorities

Measures relating to the reducation of demand for tobacco

Article 8/Article 12/Article 14 -- Protection from exposure to tobacco smoke/ Education, communication, training and public awareness/ Demand reduction measures concerning tobacco dependence and cessation

Article 11 -- Packaging and Labelling of Tobacco Products

Article 13 -- Tobacco Advertising, Promotion and Sponsorship

Aricle 15/Article 16 -- Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products/Sales to and by minors

Article 20/Article 21 -- Research, Surveilance and Exchange of Information/ reporting an exchange of information

What, if any, are the constraints or barriers you have encountered in implementing the Convention? (ref. Article 21.1(b))

Adequate Financial support to implement the obligations

9. Additional comments Help

Please provide any relevant information not covered elsewhere that you feel is important.

Question 3 Tobacco Use, i (d) Prevalence

Data was obtained from Globl Youth Tobacco Survey 2004.

Footnote 6: currently smoke cigarettes

10.0 and 15.3 Guyana Standard -- Specification for Labelling of Commodities -- Part 3: Labelling of retail packages of cigarettes

--- page 3, Clause 3 -- General Requirements

this standard states that all retail packs of cigarettes, manufactured, packaged and/or imported into Guyana

should be legibly labelled in English language with the following information

- -- common name and any trade mark of the Manufacture
- -- the name and address of the manufacturer
- -- correct statement of the net contents of the package
- -- the atar group designation
- -- the health warnings specified

The standard on packaging and labelling of tobacco products is currently being reviewed. Activities to support this article are being led by the Guyana National Bureau of Standards. There is a regional body (CARICOM Regional Organisation for Standards and Quality) responsible for the establishment of all standards within the region. Several meetings have been held regionally that led to counsultations within countries on the standards for packaging and labelling of cigarettes. The deadline for country submissions was October 2007.

Guyana held the necessary consultations and submitted comments to CROSQ.

The current Guyana standard has been updated to reflect the obligations of the FCTC and in keeping with the suggestions made to CROSQ. The Standards was reviewed by a technical committee on which the Ministry of Health and PAHO are represented, the standard has been forwarded to the National Standards Council which will meet early in January to make a finalise the document.

The decision made by the National Standards Council will be the decision carried by Guyana until the Final decision is made by CROSQ.

Aditionally efforts have been made by the Inter American Heart Foundation branch in Jamaica to adresss the issue of Pakaging an Labeling in the Caribbean. Funding was approved by the Bloomberg funds to support the advocay picture based warnings on packaging and labelling in the caribbean. Five advocacy countries were chosen, those being Jamaica, Barbados, Guyana, Trinidad and Tobago and Suriname. The final proposal was submitted in September 2007 and we are awaiting the final reponse.

10. Questionnaire feedback

(a) Please provide feedback for improvement of the Group 1 questionnaire. Help

Provisions to be made for insertion of footnote information

Questions on 6. Programmes and Plans ask for a yes or no answer but only have one box

(b)	Please provide input for the future development of the Group 2 questionnaire.
☐ Help	