1. **Name:**

ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Drug Matters (AMMD)

1. **Short description:**

ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Drug Matters is the highest level meeting on drug matters in ASEAN. It focuses on all drugs matters, including smuggling.

1. **Formality:**

Formal. Operates under the ASEAN Secretariat

1. **Regional coverage:**

Southeast Asia

1. **Members (including states and non-states):**

Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, Philippines, Thailand, Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam,

1. **Includes non-state actors?**

**No**

1. **Date created:**

Met from 2012 but institutionalized in 2016. The ASOD has met since 1976 in various forms.

1. **Date visibly started to engage with maritime security (e.g. first document that refers to it):**

Drugs trafficking is mentioned in the 1976 ASEAN Declaration of Principles to Combat the Abuse of Narcotic Drugs

1. **Brief History and Description:**

The ASEAN Drug Experts Meeting began in 1976. It was renamed the ASEAN Senior Officials on Drug Matters (ASOD) in 1984. The Ministerial Meeting was established as the main policy meeting concerning drug matters in 2012, with ASOD implementing AMMD policy. There have been two work plans on drug matters. The first work plan aimed to implement the Joint Declaration for a Drug-Free ASEAN by 2020 that affirmed the Association’s commitment to eradicate illicit drug production, processing, trafficking and use by the year 2020 in ASEAN. In relation to smuggling, the goals were: elimination of syndicates involved in trafficking of illicit drugs; elimination of diversion and smuggling of precursor chemicals; and enhancement of cross-border and transnational law enforcement collaboration and cooperation. The work of ASOD is supported by five working groups, namely, Preventive Education, Treatment and Rehabilitation, Law Enforcement, Research and Alternative Development.

1. **Maritime Security Issues Covered:**

Drug trafficking

1. **Noteworthy documents and strategies:**

ASEAN Drugs Monitoring Report

ASEAN Work Plan on Combating Illicit Drug Production, Trafficking and Use 2009 – 2015

The ASEAN Work Plan On Securing Communities Against Illicit Drugs 2016-2025

ASEAN Cooperation Plan to Tackle Illicit Drug Production and Trafficking in the Golden Triangle 2020-2022

1. **Intensity:**

The AMMD meets every two years, and ASOD meets every year.

1. **Ongoing projects and activities:**

ASEAN Seaport Interdiction Task Force (ASITF): The ASITF was established in 2015 and serves as a sharing platform to enhance joint operations and investigations among relevant ASEAN drug law enforcement agencies on the rising cases of drug trafficking through the international seaports and waterways checkpoints.

ASEAN Narcotics Cooperation Center (ASEAN-NARCO): The ASEAN-NARCO was established in 2014 to serve as a coordinating platform for ASEAN drug control focal agencies to work together on drug-related cases, particularly in developing information database on anti-drug activities of the ASEAN Member States

ASEAN Drugs Monitoring Report: ASOD releases an annual report on drugs in ASEAN. It describes drug use trends and emerging issues. It provides national reports on policy and programme implementation.

1. **Funding structure:**

Unclear – some seem to be UNODC/US-funded previously, but unsure currently.

1. **Challenges:**

In the second work plan, challenges are presented as evolving threats and the dynamism of the drug trade.

1. **Cooperation or link with other arrangements:**

Coordinated by AMTTC. Also interacts with the ASEAN Finance Ministers' Meeting (AFMM), the ASEAN Senior Officials' Meeting on Drug Matters (ASOD), the ASEAN Senior Law Officials Meeting (ASLOM), the ASEAN Directors-General of Customs, the ASEAN Directors-General for Immigration Department and Heads of Consular Affairs Divisions of Ministries of Foreign Affairs Meeting (DGICM), and the ASEANAPOL

1. **Institutional contacts:**

N/A

1. **Noteworthy literature**:
2. **Knowledge gaps to follow up on:**