



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **OBSERVANCE OF INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING – THURSDAY, 26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2008**

The National Drug Council is pleased to join with the United Nations and countries around the world to mark today as International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking.

We at the NDC welcome this day as yet another opportunity to reinforce the message that illegal drugs have no place in our community and it is especially fitting that this message underlines the slogan for today's observance: "Do drugs control your life? Your life. Your community. No place for drugs."

The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime has launched this slogan back in 2007, which is to be used for three years, to raise awareness on different aspects of drug control and we at the NDC will be incorporating it into our own public awareness campaign.

Not only do we continue to underscore the anti-drug message, but our efforts are also directed at pointing out healthy and fulfilling alternatives to drugs. In these efforts, we are particularly concerned that our young people make personal choices that leave no room to be tempted with illegal drugs.

The NDC has information and resources that can help parents, teachers, and young and old alike learn more about drugs and how to stay away from them. I urge everyone to avail themselves of these resources.

As we join the world community in the international observance of this day, I ask that we all continue to support the efforts that are aimed at drug abuse prevention and control in the Cayman Islands.

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