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The NGO which has participated the most in the UN proceedings is the NRA. We need more NGOs paying attention to the Vienna process. At the Vienna meeting we need to focus on commercial imports and exports and in-transits. Some NGOs felt this protocol should be broader. For the 2001 Conference, the short-term issue is that DFAIT should be consultation with relevant NGO's and other concerned groups. We need to communicate with our government and NGO partners in other communities. The 2001 process is a step in a much larger process and we must follow up with specifics: the OSCE document left out important issue, namely, domestic legislation as part of an international strategy on illicit trafficking.