

Treaty-Ready Blueprint

A more detailed planning document for legal durability.

Treaty Alignment • Audience: Public / Staff / Partner • Draft v2.1 • whole-plant framework



What this resource does: *Maps out the sequence, guardrails, partner logic, and domestic prerequisites for a treaty-ready full-legalization strategy.*

North-star outcome

The United States has a completely legal, full-plant cannabis industry, a typical domestic infrastructure, and a strong treaty-alignment strategy, ensuring that non-medical adult-use policies are not uncertain or based on wishful thinking.

Domestic prerequisites

- Complete descheduling of the entire plant and establishment of a transparent federal statutory framework.
- Federal baseline standards for public health, youth protections, product safety, and trade.
- A credible stance against diversion.
- Clear separation between industrial hemp regulation and adult-use treaty issues.
- Congressional oversight and an interagency process involving State, DOJ, HHS, Treasury, and relevant trade officials.

Preferred international sequence

Phase	Objective	Key outputs
1	Define the domestic model.	Federal framework, agency-role split, credibility guardrails, and public explanation of the hemp distinction.
2	Map the treaty problem concretely.	Legal memorandum, implicated provisions, partner criteria, and decision framework for inter se design.
3	Build the first diplomatic circle.	Quiet outreach to likely comparators or reform-minded treaty parties, plus validator input.
4	Advance inter se as the preferred path.	Drafting concepts, shared guardrails, and cross-border cooperation principles.
5	Maintain fallback options.	Reservation/re-accession analysis and long-game modernization strategy retained as backups.

Illustrative partner categories

- **Systems models.** Countries with significant experience in operating non-medical or broad Cannabis frameworks.
- **Diplomatic reformers.** States actively involved in global discussions about reform or drug policy review.
- **Evidence and public health validators.** Jurisdictions or institutions whose role enhances credibility rather than merely symbolizing.
- **Procedural precedents.** States relevant to reservation, re-accession, or treaty modification practices.

Domestic credibility guardrails

- Adult-use framework for ages 21 and older.
- Licensing, recordkeeping, recalls, and enforcement measures.
- Strict safety standards for finished products.
- Zero tolerance policy for diversion into illegal export channels.
- Transparent public health and consumer protection system.

How to use this blueprint

Use this document internally or in expert discussions when a one-pager isn't sufficient. It functions as a planning tool, not as a finalized diplomatic document.

Selected source basis

Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, as amended — Treaty baseline, including Article 28(2) industrial-hemp carveout.
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