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MEDICINE STATEMENT

The sacred medicine of the Bufo Alvarius toad is native to the Sonoran Desert of northern Mexico and the southern United States. But, like other entheogens before it, this treasure is also reaching out to embrace the world. We recognize that the toad medicine is precious, and needs to be sustainable and utilized by ethical practitioners that serve their communities.

As an organization WBAC is not facilitating the use of the Bufo medicine during the Congress. Our aim is to be informative, to bring facilitators, commentators, experts and community alike together to share and discuss the usage and ethics of this medicine in the world. We do not encourage or condone usage of the medicine at the Congress itself, nor do we support the selling of medicine outside the context of a safe and supported ceremony. Our aim is not to promote more usage of the Bufo medicine but to nurture its sustainable integration into society as a whole.

This Congress is designed as a secure space. It is not a place to seek, encourage, or participate in the procurement of controlled substances or toad medicine. Do not bring, buy, sell, transfer, or swap information on how to buy toad medicine at this event. We do not encourage or condone the unregulated sale or exchange of toad medicine outside of safe, facilitated containers for this work. We encourage the community to discuss the pressing issue of access to the medicine and the most responsible usage of it at the Congress.

We present below a list of names and contact details of ethical facilitators that are founding members of the recently formed *Asociación de Terapeutas del Bufo Alvarius* of http://terapeutasbufoalvarius.com, all of whom agree to the Best Practices standards recently released by the Conclave (http://awareproject.org/5meodmt-health-and-safety/). Many of these facilitators will be hosting private medicine sessions across the city AFTER the conference, on **Mon 30**th and **Tuesday 31**st **July and onwards**. These sessions are run by the facilitators themselves, not the conference, and they hold all legal and logistical responsibility for these events. Sign up sheets and more information will be made available at the Congress or contact the facilitators directly.

This is done so that visitors travelling to WBAC and Mexico City may experience the legal Bufo medicine in a safe and supported setting.