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ABSTRACT

For several decades, academic discussions have raged over how to properly define the term "Transnational Organized Crime." As far back as the 1970s, Reuter and Rubinstein warned that identifying Transnational Organized Crime (TOC) will always be the achilles' heel of investigations looking into criminal cross-border conduct. In recent years, numerous new laws have been enacted to affirm drug and human trafficking, money laundering, insider trading, and corruption all unlawful. Since it encompasses so many activities, different actors, agent provocateurs and more than one country; transnational organized crime is a difficult subject to handle. TOC generates between \$1.6 to \$2.2 trillion per year and thus considered as a danger to international security due to its "explosive and destabilizing repercussions" potential. TOC poses a significant threat to both direct and indirect peace, as well as cultural peace. It jeopardizes human rights, world peace, and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). The industry of transnational organized crime is one that is always adapting to new markets and developing new types of criminal activity. It is an illicit enterprise that cuts across all boundaries; cultural, social, linguistic, and geographic. This corporation does not recognize any borders or standards because it operates outside of them. Apropos to the premise that TOC is more destructive than conventional and traditional crimes, it is added that each country has it's own dynamics, causes and vulnerabilities to deal with Transnational Organized Crimes. Similarly, Pakistan faces special challenges in determining their causes, devising effective preventive tactics and instituting appropriate adjudication procedure. This investigation examines three types of TOC in Pakistan: traditional; which primarily involves illegal commodity (drug) trafficking and racketeering, economic; which includes money laundering and *social*; which includes human trafficking. Academics and researchers are unable to convey knowledge about TOC because it is covert and hidden, and because it is related to elites. As globalization have grown in popularity, TOC has proliferated in Pakistan. This means that even "domestic" gangs are becoming more involved in cross-border crimes and that all of the main criminal organizations now work and are organized on a global basis. This is serious threat to Pakistan's economy, its image and reputation in globalized world. The goal of this research is to fill in the gaps that have been detected in the existing knowledge. People will better understand why the rates of international crime in developed countries and Pakistan are so drastically different as a direct result of this study's findings.

Keywords: Transnational organized crime, Pakistan, drug trafficking, money laundering, human trafficking, challenges, effective preventive tactics.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATION

ADHD	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
AML	Anti-money Laundering
AMLA	Anti-money Laundering Act
ANF	Anti-Narcotics Force
APGMJA	All Pakistan Gem Merchant and Jewelers Association
ATA	Anti-Terrorism Act
ATS	Amphetamine Type Stimulants
BAU	Behavioral Analysis Unit
BJS	Bureau of Justice Statistics
CAC	Convention Against Corruption
CDNS	Central Directorate of National Savings
CFT	Counter Terror Financing
CIFP	Country Indicator for Foreign Policy
CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species
CNSA	Control of Narcotics Substances Act
СРІ	Consumer Price Index
CrPC	Criminal Procedure
CSIS	Center for Strategy and International Studies

СТОС	Convention against Transnational Organized Crime
CTR	Currency Transaction Report /Reporting
DFI	Development Financial Institutions
DNFBP	Designated Non-Financial Business and Professionals
DOI	Declaration of Istanbul
DoJ	Department of Justice
DoS	Denial of Service
DRC	Democratic Republic of Congo
EC	Exchange Company
ECAP	Exchange Companies Association of Pakistan
FARC	Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias de Colombia (Revolutionary
	Armed Force of Colombia)
FATF	Financial Action Task Force
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FBR	Federal Board of Revenue
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FERA	Foreign Exchange Regulation Act
FIA	Federal Investigation Agency

FinCEN	Financial Crimes Enforcement Network
FIs	Financial Institutions
FIU	Financial Intelligence Unit
FMU	Financial Monitoring Unit
FORP	Federation of Realtors of Pakistan
FY	Fiscal Year
G8 summit	Group of 8 countries
GATS	General Agreement on Trade in Services
GDP	Gross Domestic Products
GDPG	Gross Domestic Products Growth
GFI	Global Financial Integrity
GIFT	Global Initiative to Fight Human Trafficking
GSI	The General Stability Index
H5N1	Hemagglutinin type 5 and Neuraminidase type 1
HDI	Human Development Index
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
IATF	Inter-Agency Task Force
ICAP	Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan
ICT	Islamabad Capital Territory

ILO	International Labour Organization
IMF	International Monetary Fund
Interpol	International Criminal Police Organization
IP	Intellectual Property
IPE	International Political Economy / Inter Professional Education
IR	Inland Revenue
IW	Information Warfare
IWT	Illegal Wildlife Trade
JIT	Joint Investigation Team
LEAs	Law Enforcement Agencies
LHLRA	Lawyer for Human Rights and Legal Aid
MARA	Most At Risk Adolescents
MENA	Middle east / North Africa
MFB	Micro Finance Bank
ML	Money laundering
MLA	Mutual Legal Assistance
MNC	Multinational Corporations
MOF	Ministry of Finance
MRTC	Model Addiction Treatment and Rehabilitation Center

MVTS	Money or Value Transfer Service
NAB	National Accountability Bureau
NBFI	Non-Bank Financial Institution
NCVS	National Crime Victimizing Survey (NCVS)
NDCP	National Drug Control Program
NDIC	Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation
NFTs	Non-Fungible Tokens
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NIC	Narcotics Interdiction Committee
NIOC	National Initiative against Organized Crime
NRA	National Risk Assessment
OC	Organized Criminal
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OFC	Offshore Financial Centre
OGM	Organismes Genetiquement Modifies
OHCHR	Office of High Commissioner for Human Rights
PBC	Pakistan Bar Council
PDA	Personal Digital Assistants
PKR	Pakistani Rupees

POM	Prescription Only Medicines
PRB	Policy Review Board
PSDP	Public Sector Development Program
РТС	Police Training Center
PTSD	Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
RTF	Regional Task Force
SAR	Suspicious Activity Report
SARS	Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome
SBP	State Bank of Pakistan
SCP	Situational Crime Prevention
SCU	Special Coordination Unit
SDG	Sustainable Development Goal
SDPI	Sustainable Development Policy Institution
SECP	Security and Exchange Commission of Pakistan
SPSS	Statistical Package for Social Sciences
SRO	Statuary Regulatory Order
STR	Suspicious Transaction Report
TB	Tuberculosis
TCC	Transnational Capitalist Class

TF	Terror Financing
THC	Tetrahydrocannabinol
TIPS	Transjugular Intrahepatic Portosystemic Shunt
TNCs	Transnational Corporations
TOC	Transnational Organization Crime
TOCL	Transnational Organization for Child Labor
TOR	The Onion Routing
TRAFFIC	Trade Record Analysis of Flora and Fauna In Commerce
TVPA	Trafficking Victims Protection Act
UFO	Unidentified Flying Object
UN	United Nations
UNAIDS	United Nations Program for AIDS
UNEP	United Nations Environmental Program
UNESCO	United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
UNODC	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
UNSC	United Nations Security Council
UNSCR	United Nations Security Council Resolution
UNTOC	United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime

US	United States
USAID	U.S. Agency for International Development
USD	United States Dollar
VHA	Voluntary Health Association
WHO	World Health Organization
WWF	World Wildlife Fund
ZARA	Zainab Alert Response and Recovery Agency

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.0 Background of the Study

This section deliberates the existence and value of transnational crime on the economy of the country and the problem due to which this study has been conducted. This chapter also discusses justification of the study and provides a rationale for choosing a particular variable followed by significance of the study. Moreover, this chapter highlights objectives of study and research questions that address the particular issue and describes the layout of the thesis.

1.1 Overview

1.1.1 General

Transnational organized crime can be used to describe any major international crime with a financial goal that takes place in more than one country. Transnational organized crime includes illicit activities like the trade in drugs, migrants, people, weapons, and counterfeit goods(Natarajan, 2019). It also includes unlawful trade in wildlife, cultural property, and even some types of cybercrime. Transnational organized crime is a thriving part of the global economy. This is because demand changes and criminals come up with new ways to make money. According to estimates, the global revenue generated by transnational crimes was anywhere from \$1.6 trillion to \$2.2 trillion in 2014. In 2014, this figure was equivalent to approximately 2.5 percent of the total GDP of the world(Statista, 2018). Huge amounts of black money can impair legal economies and make it hard to run a country. For example, corruption and buying elections, drug, arms and human