Violent crime is a major challenge to human development in the Caribbean. The Caribbean Human Development Report 2012 commissioned by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) reviews the current state of crime in the English- and Dutch-speaking Caribbean, as well as the current policies and programmes to address crime. The Report will offer a set of recommendations to reduce and prevent violent crime while advancing human development.

A number of materials on the preparation of the Report are already available on the website http://hdr-caribbean.regionalcentrelac-undp.org/, including a promotional 7-minute video, information on the independent team of experts that drafted the report, the poster competition for its cover, the consultation of nearly 500 experts, practitioners and leaders and a large scale survey of more than 11,000 people that preceded this report.

The Report will be released in Port of Spain on 8 February 2012 during a ceremony to be attended by a several prime ministers of the region and UNDP senior officials.