



### **XIII Hemispheric Congress for the Prevention of Money Laundering and Combating Terrorism Financing**

With the topic of Money Laundering Prevention and Combating Terrorism Financing, on August 26 to 28 the Panama Banking Association carried out in our country the XIII Hemispheric Congress for the Prevention of Money Laundering 2009.

The opening act had the presence of the Superintendent Eng. Olegario Barrelier as a special guest. Similarly, during the work sessions, General Secretary Amauri Castillo performed the role of moderator of the subject: AML/CTF inspection criteria pursuant to the institution's risk profile, presented by Delia B. Cortelletti, Main Manager of Analysis and Monitoring of Special Operations, Superintendency of Financial and Currency Exchange Entities, Central Bank of the Republic of Argentina.

During the Congress that gathered renowned professionals of the banking and financial sector of countries such as Argentina, Colombia, Spain, Guatemala, Mexico, Dominican Republic, United States, Venezuela and Panama, other important subjects were discussed such as: "Financial Intelligence Units within the Money Laundering Prevention Units of the Financial Institutions", "Cooperatives: How can they be used to perpetrate the money laundering felony?", "Terrorism Financing: The reality behind the facts" and "Research Methods for the Money Laundering Felony", to mention just a few.

The event, organized by the Panama Banking Association (PBA), was co-sponsored by the SBP.