

INITIAL WORK PLAN FOR THE ATT WORKING GROUP ON TRANSPARENCY AND REPORTING (WGTR) FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 2017-AUGUST 2018

<u>Mandate:</u>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The WGTR shall conduct exchanges of lessons learned at the national level concerning the fulfilment of ATT reporting obligations and the organization of reporting tasks. In this context, the Group should seek to identify common areas of difficulty, and communicate these to the Working Group on Effective Treaty Implementation (WGETI) as suitable elements for inclusion in implementation assistance efforts. 2. The WGTR shall assess the possibility of facilitating information exchange under the Treaty's provisions through organizational means, such as specific processes or formats, with a view to providing recommendations to CSP4. In this context, account needs to be taken of the WGETI's consideration of priority topics for information exchange. 3. The WGTR shall continue to follow the development of the Treaty's IT Platform in order to: (a) identify possibilities for enhancing transparency in line with Article 1 of the Treaty; (b) contribute to the development of effective web-based support for mandatory ATT reporting, while retaining the possibility to report in a national format. 4. The WGTR shall further consider the possibility of harnessing information generated by mandatory reporting, in order to support States Parties in the implementation of the Treaty, as well as Treaty universalization efforts. In this task, the WGTR should be guided by the priorities identified in the Working Groups responsible for these two areas. Any recommendations to CSP4 should be accompanied by a clear indication of who should be responsible for the recommended work, and an estimate of possible budgetary implications. 5. The WGTR shall prepare a proposal for consideration by CSP4, suggesting tasks to be carried out by the Group in the period between CSP4 and CSP5.
<u>Relevant documents:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Final Report of CSP3 (ATT/CSP3/2017/SEC/184/Conf.FinRep.Rev1); ❖ WGTR co-chairs Draft Report to CSP3 (ATT/CSP3.WGTR/2017/CHAIR/159/Conf.Rep), particularly Annex B: "National-Level Measures to Facilitate Compliance with International Reporting Obligations and Commitments" and Annex D: "Reporting Authorized or Actual Exports and Imports of Conventional Arms: Questions & Answers"; ❖ Co-chairs' food-for-thought paper: "A more structured means of exchanging information on treaty-related topics?" ❖ Proposal by Argentina on Article 13(2) (Annex to ATT/CSP1/2015/WP.4/Rev.1, 6 July 2015), submitted by Argentina to CSP1; ❖ Working Paper on Information Exchange Mechanism to Prevent Diversion of Conventional Arms to the Illicit Market submitted by Mexico; ❖ Control Arms paper: "Ideas and suggestions for the ATT Working Group on Transparency and Reporting"; ❖ Contribution of the Philippines; ❖ Contribution of Peru.
<u>Actions in preparation of March meeting:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Distribution of letter of the co-chairs, introductory paper and list of guidance questions to ATT stakeholders ❖ Preparation by WGTR participants of interventions and/or prior written answers on the basis of introductory paper and list of guidance questions
<u>Actions March meeting:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Adoption of proposed agenda (cf. annex) ❖ Discussion on the basis of the introductory paper, the list of guidance questions and input received by co-chairs ❖ Presentations by the ATT Secretariat on the state of play of compliance with reporting obligations and the IT Platform ❖ Reminder about 31 May deadline for the mandatory annual report and reminder about mandatory initial report update in case of new measures
<u>Actions in preparation of June meeting:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Identification of potential deliverables for CSP4 in meeting report and of WGTR participants interested in drafting proposals (working papers) ❖ Drafting of proposals by interested WGTR participants concerning the potential deliverables

<u>Actions June meeting:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Discussion on draft proposals (working papers)❖ Discussion on tasks to be carried out by the WGTR in the period between CSP4 and CSP5❖ Initial draft of the report of the WGTR co-chairs to CSP4, including its recommendations❖ Presentations by the ATT Secretariat on the state of play of compliance with reporting obligations and the IT Platform
<u>Actions in preparation of CSP4:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Finalization of proposals to be recommended to CSP4❖ Finalization of the report of the WGTR co-chairs to CSP4
<u>Projected outcome:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Consideration and/or endorsement of recommended proposals (working papers)❖ Adoption of mandate for the WGTR for the period September 2018-August 2019