

The Arms Trade Treaty  
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To : Representatives of States Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty.  
: Representatives of Signatory States to the Arms Trade Treaty.  
: Representatives of Observer States to the Arms Trade Treaty.  
: Representatives of International and Regional Organizations.  
: Representatives of Civil Society, NGOs and Industry.

Dear Distinguished Representatives,

**ANNOUNCEMENT PERTAINING TO THE CSP6: ATT OFFICE HOLDERS AND SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

1. In my capacity as the President of the Sixth Conference of States Parties (CSP6) to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT), I write to inform you of the appointment of the Chairs of the ATT Working Groups as well as to remind you of the appointment of the Chairperson of the Voluntary Trust Fund (VTF) Selection Committee, and to notify you of the schedule of meetings for the CSP6 informal preparatory process and the CSP itself.

***ATT Working Group Chairs***

2. The Working Group on Effective Treaty Implementation (WGETI), Working Group on Transparency and Reporting (WGTR), and the Working Group on Treaty Universalization (WGTU) will be chaired as follows:

- a. WGETI: Ambassador Jangkeun LEE, of the Republic of Korea, with a possibility to appoint facilitators for the various topics under this Working Group.
- b. WGTR: Mr. Tom NIJS, of Belgium; and a representative of Mexico (to be confirmed).
- c. WGTU: Ambassador Jānis KĀRKLIŅŠ, of Latvia; and Ambassador Carlos FORADORI, of Argentina.

3. I would like to take this opportunity to thank fellow Co-Chairs for undertaking to carry forward the important work of the ATT Working Groups, and I am confident that meaningful progress will be made by all the Working Groups under their capable stewardship.

***Chairman of the VTF Selection Committee***

4. In accordance with the decision of the first meeting of the VTF Selection Committee members appointed during CSP4, Ambassador Peter BEERWERTH of Germany completed his service as Chairman of the VTF Selection Committee at the end of CSP5, and Ambassador Dell HIGGIE of New Zealand will serve as Chairman of the VTF Selection Committee from CSP5 to CSP6.

### ***Schedule of ATT Meetings***

5. Following existing practice, I propose to prepare for CSP6 by organizing two (2) informal preparatory meetings in the intersessional period before CSP6 and by holding the meetings of the Working Groups to coincide with the informal preparatory meetings in order to facilitate and maximize participation in the meetings.

6. The dates and venues of the Working Group and informal preparatory meetings, as well as CSP6, are as follows:

<b>#</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Venue</b>
1.	Working Group meetings and 1 <sup>st</sup> CSP6 Informal Preparatory Meeting	04 – 07 February 2020	Room V, Palais des Nations, Geneva
2.	Working Group meetings and 2 <sup>nd</sup> CSP6 Informal Preparatory Meeting	14 – 17 April 2020	WMO Building, Geneva
3.	Sixth Conference of States Parties to the ATT (CSP6)	17 – 21 August 2020	CICG, Geneva

7. I look forward to working with you all in the weeks and months ahead towards a successful CSP6 and to sharing further details of my work plan and vision for the Conference as they unfold.

8. I avail myself of this opportunity to renew the assurance of my highest consideration.

Yours faithfully,



**Ambassador Carlos FORADORI**  
**President: Sixth Conference of States Parties to the ATT**