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The Permanent Mission of Thailand to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) Secretariat and, with reference to the Seventh Conference of States Parties to the ATT convened on 30 August - 3 September 2021, has the honour to transmit herewith, as attachment, Thailand's written statement to the aforesaid Conference.

The Permanent Mission of Thailand to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) Secretariat of its high consideration.

Permanent Mission of Thailand,
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Arms Trade Treaty Secretariat,

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Thailand's Statement
The Seventh Conference of States Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty
30 August – 3 September 2021

Thailand wishes to express its gratitude to H. E. Mr. Lansana GBERIE, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Sierra Leone, President of the 7th Conference of States Parties (CSP7), and the ATT Secretariat for the excellent preparation of the CSP7 amidst the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) is a core multilateral instrument in the conventional weapons framework. However, the objectives of the ATT in strengthening the global efforts to combat the illicit use and transfer of arms can only be realized when all parties are on board and commitments are honoured. We are acutely aware that the global security environment does not depend solely on States, but also involves multi-stakeholders, including non-State actors and civil society.

As a Signatory State, Thailand is in full support of the ATT and its underlying principles. We have been constructively engaging in the Treaty's work and participated in all Meetings of States Parties since its entry into force.

After signing the Treaty, Thailand has continuously taken steps towards our ratification by convening inter-agency consultations and reviewing national legislation to ensure the ability to fulfill all obligations. At the same time, we continue to uphold the spirit of the Treaty through strengthening of our domestic conventional arms control regime.

We believe that international cooperation and assistance are vital tools for strengthening States' technical capacity towards ratification and implementation of the Treaty's obligations. Thailand has thus participated in several capacity building events throughout the years and gained valuable experiences and benefits. We welcome the contribution from our regional and international partners through sharing and exchanging of best practices. In this regard, we recognize the vital role and contribution of civil society in efforts towards the universalization and full implementation of the Treaty.

Thailand stands ready to engage all partners to ensure that the issues of illicit arms trade and diversion of arms are adequately and effectively addressed, both within and beyond the framework of the Arms Trade Treaty.
