CSP2 Draft Annotated Provisional Programme of Work

The Second Conference of States Parties (CSP2) to the Arms Trade Treaty will pursue a rolling agenda, wherein once a session has concluded, the CSP2 President may proceed with the next item on the Agenda. Time indications on the Agenda are to be considered as provisional and delegations are advised to be prepared for adjustments as necessary and as determined by the President.

Monday, 22 August

10:00-11:00

1. Opening of the Meeting.

The meeting will be opened by a Keynote Speaker (TBC) after which the President of CSP2, Ambassador Imohe can deal with the meeting procedures.

2. Address by the UN Secretary-General (and other distinguished guests).

The UN Secretary-General or his representative will give the Conference an update on the Treaty’s ratification status and related aspects.

3. Adoption of the Agenda.

The CSP2 President will invite the Conference to consider and adopt the draft provisional agenda as presented at the Preparatory Meeting in May.

4. Organization of Work.

The CSP2 President will present a script that recognises the Rules of Procedures, the Secretary for the Meeting, Election of Officers (if need be) and Delegations information as well as provide an overview of the organization of work for the week in the context of the rolling agenda.
11:00-13:00

5. **General Debate (including High Level Segment).**

Dignitaries present will be invited to deliver addresses. This will be followed by a general debate, wherein States Parties, Signatory States and other Observer States will be invited to deliver statements of a general nature. International and regional intergovernmental organisations as well as representatives of the civil society will also be welcome to deliver general statements. All statements in this session are to be limited to 5 minutes duration.

15:00-18:00

6. **General Debate (including High Level Segment), cont’d.**

The General debate will be continued where statements are limited to 5 minutes per State Party, Signatory State, Observer State or civil society representative, followed by a reception.

18:30-20:00

Reception to be jointly hosted by Host State (Switzerland) and Presiding State (Nigeria).

**Tuesday, 23 August**

10:00 – 13:00

7. **Matters relating to International Assistance (Art. 16).**

Pursuant to Art. 16 of the Treaty, the Conference will be called upon to consider matters relating to International Assistance:

a. Requests and offers for International Assistance.

b. Voluntary Trust Fund:
   i. Report from Facilitator on Voluntary Trust Fund.
   ii. Establishment of Voluntary Trust Fund.

c. Sponsorship Programme:
   i. Report from Facilitator on Sponsorship Programme.
   ii. Establishment of Sponsorship Programme.

During this session, the CSP2 President will call upon the Conference to consider requests and offers for international assistance as presented by States Parties. Subsequent to this, the President will invite the Voluntary Trust Fund and Sponsorship Program Facilitator to provide an update to the Conference on the status of consultation on issues pertaining to the Voluntary
Trust Fund and the Sponsorship Program. In the course of this report, the Facilitator will introduce relevant documents.

15:00 – 18:00


Pursuant to Art. 13 of the Treaty, the Conference will be called upon to consider matters pertaining to Reporting:

   a. Sharing of experiences of States Parties with reporting under the ATT to date.
   b. Report from Facilitator on Reporting.

During this session, States Parties will share experiences on reporting under the ATT to date. After this, the CSP2 President will invite the Reporting Facilitator to provide an update to the Conference on the status of consultation on issues pertaining to Reporting. In the course of this report, the Facilitator will introduce relevant documents.

Wednesday, 24 August

10:00 – 13:00


In line with the provisions of Art 17.4 of the Treaty, during this session the Conference will be invited to exchange views on Treaty implementation including developments in the field of conventional arms. This exchange of views will be conducted on the basis of a ‘Guidance for Discussion’ (to be circulated in time) identifying Treaty implementation aspects or areas that Conference may wish to address in the course of the discussion.

15:00 – 18:00


Pursuant to Art 17.4 of the Treaty, the Conference will be invited to exchange views on Treaty Universalization. This exchange of views will be conducted on the basis of a ‘Paper on Universalization’ (to be circulated in time) setting out the CSP2 President’s views on Treaty universalization that Conference may wish to address in the course of the discussion.
Thursday, 25 August

10:00 – 13:00

11. Consideration of matters pertaining to the Secretariat (Art. 17.4).

During this session, the Conference will consider the Secretariat’s and Management Committee’s reports pertaining to their operations in the period under review. Further to that, the Conference will consider and adopt a work plan and budget for 2016-2017. In conclusion, the Conference will consider the appointment of the permanent Head of the Secretariat.

15:00 – 18:00

12. Matters pertaining to the Third Conference of State Parties.
   a. Consideration of matters pertaining to the preparations for the Third Conference of State Parties including the adoption of the budget for the next ordinary session (Art 17.3).
   b. Election of the President and Vice Presidents of the Third Conference of States Parties (RoP 9.1).

Friday, 26 August

10:00 – 13:00

13. Any Other Business.

This item provides delegations with an opportunity to address matters not falling under the presented agenda. Delegations are kindly requested to advise the President in advance of an intention to do so.


The President will make a final presentation of the outcome document of the Second Conference of States Parties. The Conference will thereafter consider the Final Report of the Conference for adoption.

15. Closure of CSP2.

Before closing the Second Conference of States Parties, the President will deliver final remarks and invite the President of the following session of the CSP to address the plenary. CSP2 will then be closed.

15:00 -18:00

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