

Kazakhstan Statement – General Debate

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Thank you, Madam President, for the fruitful work carried out in the role of President of the Ninth Conference of States Parties.

I would like to welcome all participants of the Ninth Conference of the States Parties and thank the secretariat of the ATT for organizing this conference.

Kazakhstan has its own national export control system. We are taking all necessary measures to maintain peace and non-proliferation of conventional arms exports. Thus, at the end of 2022, Kazakhstan adopted a new law on the control of specific goods to improve the national export control system and risk assessment system. In addition, taking into account the current geopolitical situation, the Government of Kazakhstan in 2022 imposed a ban on the export of conventional weapons and military equipment for one calendar year, which will be extended again this year. Also, Kazakhstan supports the raised thematic discussion on the role of industry in promoting the non-proliferation of conventional arms exports. We believe that industry plays an important role in arms exports. I would like to note that today we have an effective internal export control system that allows the Government, together with industry, to exercise control over compliance with national and international obligations. We annually hold seminars and meetings with the participation of authorized state bodies in the field of export control and industry.

Kazakhstan supports the universalization of the ATT, and is ready to make every effort to extend the ATT in the Central Asian region.

In conclusion, I would like to note Kazakhstan's commitment to all the principles of the arms trade treaty.

Thanks for your attention.