



SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: The Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons  
in All its Aspects

SUBMITTED TO: The First Committee

SUBMITTED BY: Japan, Viet Nam, Chile, China, Austria, Republic of  
Korea, Egypt, Kenya, Pakistan, Bangladesh

*The First Committee*

1 *Gravely concerned* by the dangers of the illicit trade of Small Arms and Light  
2 Weapons (SALW), illustrated by the 1000 deaths per day attributed to illicit SALW,  
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4 *Recalling* General Assembly RES/63/72 of 2 December 2008 as well as the  
5 previous resolutions entitled “The Illicit Trade of Small Arms and Light Weapons in All  
6 its Aspects,” including RES/56/24 of December 2001,  
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8 *Recognizing* the necessity of monitoring SALW, as well as munitions with  
9 consideration that munitions provide force behind SALW,  
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11 *Encouraged by* the success of end-user certificate programs that provide  
12 transparency in arms shipping and purchasing internationally,  
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14 *Underlining* the fact that regional organizations of countries do exist and that the  
15 sovereignty of states must be respected by Member States,  
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17 *Encouraged by* the success of national buy-back programs and other programs  
18 that provides an incentive for individual disarmament,  
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20 *Recognizing* that certain states and/or regions may require additional support to  
21 effectively implement arms control measures,  
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23 1. *Calls upon* Member States to create a system for tracking the distribution of  
24 SALW, utilizing International Tracing Instruments (ITI) by:

25 (a) *Creating* regional databases of information on weapons and  
26 munitions tracking by country of origin, manufacturer, serial number, export destination,  
27 point of arrival and/or client;

28 (b) *Utilizing* end-user certificates, as defined as a signatory by member states that  
29 receive a specific transfer of arms and subsequently agree about the final destination of  
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2. *Proposes* the creation of a United Nations Office of Disarmament Affairs subcommittee charged with overseeing the creation and implementation of an international database regarding SALW, with the charge of the following:

- (a) Ensure representation of all regional groups;
- (b) Coordinate the exchange of information between regional groups;
- (c) Be authorized to recommend action to the Security Council;

3. *Calls upon* existing regional organizations, such as the AU, MERCOSUR, etc., to create legislation on a regional level to monitor the distribution of SALW;

4. *Encourages* the creation of new regional organizations to monitor SALW, noting that such organizations will be voluntary and will retain state sovereignty;

5. *Urges* the renewal of a focus on humanitarian efforts to resolve the root causes of violence resulting from the illicit trade of SALW;

6. *Suggests* the consideration of a new program aiming to encourage and support information sharing and advising among member states in order to manage the trade of SALW by providing United Nations experts and non-partial organizations to conduct training workshops while stressing that such programs are always optional and such agents are subject to accountability.

Passed, Yes: 80 / No: 10 / Abstain: 4