

669th Plenary Meeting

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**DECISION No. 20/11
AN EXPERTS LEVEL SESSION ON SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT
WEAPONS STOCKPILE MANAGEMENT, SURPLUS REDUCTION
AND DESTRUCTION**

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Reaffirming their commitment to the full implementation of the OSCE Document on Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) (FSC.DOC/1/00, 24 November 2000) and its supplementary decisions,

Recalling Ministerial Council Decision No. 15/09 tasking the Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC) to develop a plan of action on SALW, taking into consideration suggestions made at the OSCE Meeting to Review the OSCE Document on SALW and Its Supplementary Decisions, by May 2010,

Determined to fully implement the OSCE Plan of Action on Small Arms and Light Weapons (FSC.DEC/2/10) in an effort to enhance further controls to effectively counter the uncontrolled spread and destabilizing accumulation of illicit small arms and light weapons,

Mindful of the OSCE's important contribution to the full implementation of the United Nations Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects (December 2001) and the International Instrument to Enable States to Identify and Trace, in a Timely and Reliable Manner, Illicit SALW (2005),

Acknowledging the negative impact that armed conflict has on women and children, and in support of UNSCR 1325 (2000) "Women, Peace and Security" and UNSCR 1674 (2006) on "the protection of civilians in armed conflict," and consistent with both Ministerial Council Decision No. 14/04 on the 2004 OSCE Action Plan for the Promotion of Gender Equality and Ministerial Council Decision No. 14/05 on women in conflict prevention, crisis management and post-conflict rehabilitation,

Decides to:

- Conduct a special session of the FSC devoted to an expert-level discussion and training session on the topics of stockpile management, surplus reduction and destruction of small arms and light weapons;

- To hold the meeting of the FSC devoted to this topic on 24 May 2012;
- Pursue the following agenda for the expert-level discussion and training session.

AGENDA

Thursday, 24 May 2012

Morning session

9 a.m.–1 p.m.

Introduction (30 min): CPC

- Importance of donor programmes
- Rationale of conducting an Expert-Level Best Practices session
- How the training supports the SALW Plan of Action

Initiating a programme (60 min): CPC and host nation commentary

- Creating an actionable request from a host government
- Evaluating a request – needs, capabilities, expectations
- Funding decision
- Positive examples of requests for support – Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia

Conducting an effective assessment (60 min): United States of America and Kyrgyzstan

- Kyrgyzstan case study
- Country/assessment visit reports
- Lessons learned (short, mid, long range implementation)

Virtual tour (30 min): United States of America

- Risk assessment and prioritization/planning exercise
- Cost-benefit analysis to maximize assistance funds

Afternoon Session

3–6 p.m.

Planning a project (45 min): Austria, Sweden, Switzerland

- Project plan, MOU, objective, milestones
- Co-ordination
- Host nation performance and local ownership
- Exit strategies

Executing a project (60 min): Germany, United States of America

- The 2nd order effect of training – capacity building
- Co-ordination
- Demilitarization versus destruction
- Managing expectations

Donor roundtable (30 min): United States of America

- Positive experiences with SALW country visits
- Lessons learned