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To: All OSCE Delegations in Vienna

Re: Updated Summary Report on replies provided by participating States on the one-off information exchange with regard to OSCE Principles on the Control of Brokering in Small Arms and Light Weapons

In accordance with the OSCE Plan of Action on SALW (FSC Decision 2/10) and FSC Decision 17/10 and the tasking of the FSC Chair, the CPC is distributing an updated summary report on replies provided by participating States on the one-off information exchange with regard to OSCE Principles on the Control of Brokering in Small Arms and Light Weapons. Should delegations have any questions or inquiries regarding data presented in this Summary Report, FSC Support Section of the CPC will be happy to provide answers or further assistance (maria.brandstetter@osce.org, tel. +43 1 514 36 6737).

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SUMMARY REPORT

ON REPLIES PROVIDED BY PARTICIPATING STATES ON THE ONE-OFF INFORMATION EXCHANGE WITH REGARD TO

OSCE PRINCIPLES ON THE CONTROL OF BROKERING IN SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS

1. Introduction

Following FSC Decision No. 11/07, adopted in October 2007, in 2008 participating States (pS) conducted a one-off information exchange on their regulations concerning brokering activities related to small arms and light weapons (SALW). As per tasking of the decision, the Conflict Prevention Centre (CPC) produced a Summary Report on the replies.[1]

By FSC Decision No. 17/10, adopted on 24 November 2010 (Annex I), pS again committed themselves to exchanging information, by 30 June 2010, on a one-off basis, on their current regulations concerning brokering activities related to SALW according to the agreed questionnaire and to review progress made since 2008. This decision also tasked the CPC to produce a Summary Report on the replies by 1 September 2011. The report was distributed under reference number FSC.GAL/95/11. A number of participating States provided their national reports after the publishing of the CPC Summary Report. Therefore, in line with the tasking of the FSC Chair, the CPC prepared an Updated Summary Report.

The Updated Summary Report on replies provided by participating States on the one-off information exchange with regard to OSCE Principles on the Control of Brokering in Small Arms and Light Weapons (henceforth referred to as "Summary Report") is based on the replies of 47 out of 56 pS (31 reports were provided by 29 August 2011 and included in the original CPC Summary Report) and includes information submitted by OSCE States through 2 August 2012.

[1] The original Report was based on the submissions of 39 pS. Shortly after the CPC produced the Report, a number of pS submitted their replies or provided additional, updated information. Therefore, in line with the tasking of the FSC Chair, the CPC circulated an updated report reflecting the information provided by 46 pS (the report can be found under FSC.GAL/25/08/Rev.1).