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**DECISION No. 2/04
AN OVERVIEW OF THE 2002 AND 2003 ANNUAL SUBMISSIONS FOR
THE INFORMATION EXCHANGE ON SALW**

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Reaffirming that the OSCE Document on Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) remains a key instrument for combating illicit trafficking and proliferation of SALW in all its aspects,

Taking into account the tasks stemming from the OSCE Strategy to Address Threats to Security and Stability in the Twenty-First Century, in particular those relating to further strengthening the implementation of the OSCE Document on SALW and measures aimed at preventing terrorists from increasing their capabilities through gaining access to SALW,

Decides to request the Conflict Prevention Centre to prepare by 21 March 2004 an overview and an account of the annual submissions for the Information Exchange on SALW in the preparation for the discussion of the implementation of the OSCE Document on SALW. The overview should cover the information exchanges for 2002 and 2003 on export/import and destruction of SALW, including MANPADS. It may, *inter alia*, identify common practices with regard to the implementation of the respective Document provisions, including categorization and designation of SALW, to examine whether all participating States are applying them in the same way. The overview will not enter into comparisons of national policies or provide any assessment of implementation.