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DECISION No. 3/14
**VOLUNTARY GUIDELINES FOR COMPILING NATIONAL REPORTS
ON SALW EXPORTS FROM/IMPORTS TO OTHER PARTICIPATING
STATES DURING THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR**

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Reaffirming its commitment to the full implementation of the OSCE Document on Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW), (FSC.DOC/1/00/Rev.1), in which participating States agreed to consider the development of best practice guides on certain aspects related to the control of small arms and light weapons,

Recalling Section III of the OSCE Document on Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW), (FSC.DOC/1/00/Rev.1) in which the participating States agreed to study ways to further improve the information exchange on transfers of small arms,

Recalling preambular paragraph 5 of the OSCE Document on Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW), (FSC.DOC/1/00/Rev.1), in which participating States noted the opportunity for the OSCE, as a regional arrangement under Chapter VIII of the Charter of the United Nations, to provide a substantial contribution to the process in the United Nations on combating the illicit trade in SALW in all its aspects,

Also recalling Kyiv Ministerial Council Decision No. 8/13, tasking the FSC, *inter alia*, to ensure the timely and full submission of OSCE SALW-related information exchanges, and develop voluntary guidelines for compiling national submissions of information for the above-mentioned exchange, in order to improve the utility and relevance of the information provided,

Acknowledging that such a voluntary reference guide could also be useful to other United Nations Member States in their efforts to implement international agreements on Small Arms and Light Weapons,

Recognizing the work done by participating States to complete this task,

Decides to:

- Welcome the development of the OSCE Voluntary Guidelines for Compiling National Reports on SALW exports from/imports to other participating States during the previous calendar year, FSC.DEL/33/14/Rev.1/Corr.1, and take note of it;
- Encourage participating States to make these voluntary guidelines available to all relevant national authorities for its implementation as appropriate;
- Task the Conflict Prevention Centre to ensure the widest possible distribution of these voluntary guidelines;
- Take account of these voluntary guidelines in accordance with Section VI of the OSCE Document on SALW.