Monitoring Illicit Firearms Trafficking Flows

Regional Meeting on Firearms Data Collection and Analysis for South East European, Eastern European and Neighbouring Member States

Vienna, Austria, 17 – 18 July 2018
Objective: Countering illicit arms trafficking and related crimes, through implementation of UNTOC and the Firearms Protocol and effective international cooperation and information exchange.

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Achieving Target 16.4: The UNODC Perspective

- Legislative and Policy Development
- Monitoring Illicit Arms Flows
- Preventive and Security Measures
- Int. Cooperation and Information Exchange
- Criminal Justice Response
UNODC is mandated by COP to develop the Firearms Study (res. 5/4, 6/2). The first UNODC Study on Firearms is published in 2015.

UNODC is mandated by the COP “to continue to collect and analyse, on a regular basis, quantitative and qualitative information and suitably disaggregated data on trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition” and to take into account target 16.4 of the SDGs (res. 8/3).

The 2030 SDGs are adopted and, subsequently, UNODC and UNODA are designated co-custodians of target indicator 16.4.2.

EU-UNODC Project: “Supporting Global Data Collection and Analysis on Firearms Trafficking and Fostering Cooperation and Information Sharing, in particular Among Countries along Major Trafficking Routes to/from the EU.

The IAFQ 2018 is launched.
Target 16.4

By 2030, significantly reduce illicit financial and arms flows, strengthen the recovery and return of stolen assets and combat all forms of organized crime

Achieving the Target
International firearms framework provides important basis (Firearms Protocol, ATT and UNPoA/ITI)

Monitoring the Achievement
Indicator 16.4.2 (A/RES/71/313)

UNODC develops the annual 16.4.2 data collection, data processing, and submission to the Statistical Commission.
The UN Illicit Arms Flows Questionnaire 2018

- **Global exercise** that is not linked to reviewing the implementation of the Firearms Protocol
- **Dual purpose:**
  - Collecting data for SDG indicator 16.4.2
  - Identifying firearms trafficking trends and patterns (COP-UNTOC resolution 8/3)
- Joint project of the GFP and UNODC Research and Trend Analysis Branch
- All Member States are invited and encouraged to participate in this important exercise!
Objectives for the Regional Meeting

• Facilitate and promote participation in the global firearms data initiative
• Identify firearms data collection practices and challenges of target countries
• Foster the exchange of information and operation use of firearms data
• Strengthen the ability of Member States to respond to UNODC’s main data collection instrument on firearms
Thank you!

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