INTERPOL FIREARMS PROGRAMME

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**LAW ENFORCEMENT WORK**

**Step 1:** National firearms registry search and lost/stolen database search (if the country has such a domestic database)

**Step 2:** iARMS search (this is an international search of lost / stolen / trafficked firearms)

**Step 3:** Evidence recovery and suspect interview

**FORENSIC LABORATORY WORK**

**Step 4:** Latent fingerprint examination of firearm

**Step 5:** DNA examination of firearm

**Step 6:** Ballistic comparison of cartridge casings / bullets domestically and / or internationally through IBIN

**INTELLIGENCE COORDINATION**

**Step 7:** Gather the data collected in Steps 1 to 6 to develop investigative leads

**Step 8:** Provide the investigators with the immediately known intelligence

**Step 9:** Analyse the intelligence generated for indicators of firearms trafficking
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Trigger III - Sahel (2017)

Trigger IV – MENA (2018)

Trigger V – Central America (2019)

Kafo – West Africa (2019)

Trigger VI – South America ()

Kafo II – West Africa ()
RECOMMENDATIONS

❖ Harmonize national legislations to criminalize firearms trafficking as a specific crime;
❖ Adopt / develop a systematic recovery protocol to be applied following the recovery of firearms;
❖ Increase the use of international tools and instruments;
❖ Improve firearms evidence collection, identification and national record-keeping practices;
❖ Create specialized units to gather, analyze and share firearms trafficking related information;
❖ Improve intelligence collection and analysis to promote truly intelligence-led actions;
❖ Promote strong links between the different components of the criminal justice system (law enforcement, forensics, prosecution);
❖ Actively participate and engage in international operations against firearms trafficking.
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