BMS8 Outcome Document – Zero Draft

1. **Consideration of the implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects, at the national regional and global levels.**

   - Review of actions agreed at the RevCon3, BMS7 and previous PoA meetings

   **National level**
   - States’ responsibility for combating illicit trafficking of SALW: policy, legislative and operational measures (including national target-setting)
   - National reporting, including on SDG indicator 16.4.2
   - Gender mainstreaming
   - Inter-state cooperation and border control
   - Advocacy, awareness raising and partnership, including with relevant CSOs

   **Regional level**
   - Role of regional and sub-regional organizations/arrangements
   - Regional and sub-regional cooperation
   - Regional best practices
   - Regional roadmaps (including regional target-setting)
   - Establishment of reporting synergies between the PoA and relevant regional/subregional instruments

   **Global level**
   - Link between illicit trafficking of SALW and organized crime, terrorism and drug trafficking
   - Drivers/root causes of the illicit trade in SALW
   - Nexus between peace, security and development
   - 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including Goal 16, targets 16.1 and 16.4; armed violence reduction; and peaceful and just societies
   - SG’s Disarmament Agenda
Role of research, civil society, and industry
- Gender-responsive approach, including UNSCR 1325 (2000) and others
- Ban of development and trade of toy guns that can be converted to functional weapons
- Illicit online trafficking
- PoA in the context of conflict and post-conflict settings
  - Impact of the illicit trade in SALW
  - Required national capacities
  - UN and regional peace support operations, in particular destruction of surplus weapons and monitoring and tracing
  - Monitoring and enforcing arms embargoes
- Reinforcement of national control measures in line with other relevant global instruments
- Target setting to increase measurability of progress
- Trafficking of disassembled weapons parts
- The PoA and the question of ammunition: progress of the work of the OEWG on Ammunition Through-life Management
- Preventing and combating the diversion and the illicit international transfer of small arms and light weapons to unauthorized recipients

The Way Forward

2. Consideration of the implementation of the International Instrument to Enable States to Identify and Trace, in a Timely and Reliable Manner, Illicit Small Arms and Light Weapons

- Review of actions agreed at the RevCon3, BMS7 and previous PoA meetings
- ITI in the context of conflict and post-conflict settings
  - UN and regional peace support operations, in particular for tracing
  - Monitoring and enforcing arms embargoes
  - Tracing in conflict- and post conflict zones
- Tracing for preventing and combating the diversion and the illicit international transfer of small arms and light weapons to unauthorized recipients
- Tracing requests based on enhanced national coordination mechanisms
- Investigation and legal cooperation for tracing requests

- Recent developments in small arms and light weapons manufacturing, technology and design, in particular polymer and modular weapons, and ways of addressing them.
  o Durable and cost-effective marking options
  o Role of manufacturers and exporting States
  o Consideration of the proposal of an open-ended technical expert group that could develop action-oriented next steps that address challenges and opportunities of new technologies.

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3. Consideration of international cooperation and assistance, including capacity-building, and means of enhancing modalities and procedures for international cooperation and assistance
   - Review of actions agreed at RevCon3, BSM7 and previous PoA meetings
   - Financial and technical assistance
   - Transfer of technologies and equipment, including X-ray devices
   - Assistance in the areas of marking, recordkeeping, and tracing
   - Bilateral and multilateral cooperation through the exchange of information and experience
   - Sustainability of international cooperation and assistance
   - Exchange on the challenges States face in achieving cooperation and assistance
   - Concrete follow-up steps to enhance cooperation and assistance mechanism
   - Value of assistance requests and indicators to match needs with resources
   - Target-setting to match needs with resources
   - Dedicated fellowship training programme on small arms and light weapons in order to strengthen technical knowledge and expertise in areas related to the implementation of the PoA/ITI: funding and administrative arrangements.

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4. Other issues and topics for the effective implementation of the Programme of Action and the International Tracing Instrument.

   - Exchange of views on RevCon4