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AND OTHER RELATED MATERIALS (CIFTA) Original: Spanish

Consultative Committee

Twenty-fourth regular meeting

May 23, 2024

Washington, D.C. (Hybrid format)

PROPOSAL OF PARAGRAPHS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE OMNIBUS RESOLUTION “PROMOTION OF HEMISPHERIC SECURITY: A MULTIDIMENSIONAL APPROACH”

(Agreed during the Second Preparatory Meeting held on 13 May 2024)

Inter-American Convention against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Ammunition, Explosives, and Other Related Materials (CIFTA)

1. Approve the Methodology of the *Hemispheric Study on Illicit Trafficking in Firearms and Ammunition*, prepared by the Department of Public Security, and request the Department of Public Security to initiate the implementation of the first edition of the Study, with the support of the financial resources available in the “Fund for Voluntary Contributions to Foment the Implementation of the Mechanisms of the Inter-American Convention against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Ammunition, Explosives, and Other Related Materials (CIFTA)" allocated for this purpose, as well as with other specific funds that may be obtained.
2. Approve the following manuals and guidelines and integrate them as part of the supplementary documents of CIFTA, for voluntary use by the State Parties:

a) Manual of Standard Operating Procedures for the Destruction of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW)

b) Manual of Standard Operating Procedures on Physical Security and Arsenal Management

c) Inter-American Guidelines for Preventing Gender-Based Violence with the Use of Firearms

1. Convene the twenty-fifth ordinary meeting of the CIFTA Consultative Committee, in accordance with Article XXI of the Convention, with one day of duration during 2025; and request the Technical Secretariat of CIFTA, jointly operated by the Department against Transnational Organized Crime and the Department of Public Security, to support the preparation and follow-up of said meeting. Furthermore, urge the Member States to include in their delegations, national authorities responsible for issuing permits or licenses for the export, import, and transit of firearms, ammunition, explosives, and other related materials; customs and border authorities; and other officials responsible for implementing the Convention.
2. Endorse the recommendations arising from the Sixth Conference of States Parties of CIFTA, held on May 24, 2024.
3. Request the Secretariat of Multidimensional Security, through the Technical Secretariat of CIFTA, to review the questionnaire on the implementation and effectiveness of the *Inter-American Convention against the Illicit Manufacturing and Trafficking of Firearms, Ammunition, Explosives, and Other Related Materials*, considering the variables and methodology approved for the Hemispheric Study, particularly its Module 2 on state capacities, and to present the updated version of the questionnaire for consideration by the Consultative Committee at its next ordinary meeting.
4. Recognizing the comprehensive nature of strategies to prevent and combat the illicit trafficking of firearms and ammunition, instruct the Secretariat of Multidimensional Security, through the Department of Public Security, in consultation with relevant expert organizations, to develop CIFTA Guidelinesfor the Design, Implementation, and Monitoring of Programs for Voluntary Surrender of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW), taking into consideration best practices, national regulations, and the experience in the region of the Program for Assistance on Control of Arms and Munition (PACAM).

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