

National Report on the implementation of the Programme of Action on small arms and light weapons (PoA) and the International Tracing Instrument (ITI)

Somalia
English
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Section 1: Point of contact

Sources	Question	Yes	No	Developing
National Coordination Agency				
PoA II.4	1. Has your country established a National Coordination Agency or other body responsible for policy guidance, research and monitoring of efforts to prevent, combat and eradicate the illicit trade in SALW in all its aspects? a) Name of agency: WAM National Focal Point of the Office National Security Adviser to the President FGS b) Address: State House, Villa Somalia, Mogadishu, SOMALIA c) Contact details: i) Contact person: Abadir Mohamud Ahmed ii) Telephone number(s): +252 615 123812 iii) Email: abadir@presidency.gov.so and abaadir114@gmail.com	☒	☐	☐
National Point of Contact				
PoA II.5, 24	2. Does your country have a National Point of Contact designated to act as a liaison on matters relating to the implementation of the UN Programme of Action on Small Arms (PoA)? 2.1 Details: a) Name: Abadir Mohamud Ahmed b) Organization or agency: WAM National Focal Point of the Office National Security Adviser to the President FGS c) Address: State House, Villa Somalia, Mogadishu, SOMALIA d) Telephone number(s): +252 615 123812 e) Email: abadir@presidency.gov.so and abaadir114@gmail.com	☒	☐	☐
ITI 25	2.2 Is the National Point of Contact identified above also responsible for exchanging information and liaising on matters relating to the International Tracing Instrument (ITI)?	☒	☐	☐

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2.3 If the answer to Question 2.2 is 'no', does your country have a National Point of Contact for purposes of exchanging information and liaising on all matters relating to the ITI?

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2.3.1 Details:

a) Name:

b) Organization or agency:

c) Address:

d) Telephone number(s):

e) Email:

Section 2: Manufacture

Sources	Question	Yes	No
Laws, regulations and administrative procedures			
	3. Are there any SALW manufactured in your country?	☐	☒
PoA II.2	3.1 Does your country have laws, regulations and/or administrative procedures to exercise effective control over the manufacture of SALW?	☐	☐
	3.1.1 List laws, regulations and/or administrative procedures regulating the manufacture of SALW in your country:		
	3.1.2 Does your country license the manufacture of SALW?	☐	☐
PoA II.3	3.1.3 Is illegal manufacture of SALW considered a criminal offence in your country?	☐	☐
Marking and manufacture			
PoA II.7: ITI 8a	3.2 Does your country require that SALW be marked at the time of manufacture?	☐	☐
ITI 8a	3.2.1 What information is included in the marking (check relevant boxes)?		
	a) Name of the manufacturer	☐	
	b) Country of manufacture	☐	
	c) Serial number	☐	
	d) Year of manufacture	☐	
	e) Weapon type/model	☐	
	f) Caliber	☐	
	g) Other:	☐	
	[if other, please explain]		
ITI 10a	3.2.2 What part of the SALW is marked?		
	3.2.3 Are there exceptions to the requirement to mark SALW at the time of manufacture?	☐	☐
	3.2.3.1 If so, describe:		
Record-keeping by manufacturers			
PoA II.9: ITI 11	3.3 Does your country require that manufacturers keep records of their activities?	☐	☐
ITI 12a	3.3.1 What information must be recorded (check relevant boxes)?		
	a) Quantity of SALW manufactured	☐	

- b) Type or model of SALW manufactured ☐
- c) Markings applied to manufactured SALW ☐
- d) Transactions (e.g. sales of manufactured and marked SALW) ☐
- e) Other: ☐
- [if other, please explain]

ITI 12a 3.3.2 How long must manufacturing records be kept?

[if other, please explain]

Actions taken during the reporting period

PoA II.6 3.4 During the reporting period, was action taken against groups or individuals engaged in illegal manufacturing of SALW (e.g. craft manufacturing)? ☐ ☐

3.4.1 Details (e.g. prosecution):

International assistance

PoA III.6 4. Does your country wish to request assistance in developing laws, regulations and/or administrative procedures regarding SALW manufacture? ☐ ☐

4.1 What kind of assistance do you require?

4.2 Has your country developed a project proposal for assistance? ☐ ☐

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	9) Date of issue	☐	
	10) Other:	☐	
	[if other, please explain]		
	b) Other types of end-user documentation:		
PoA II.12	5.5 Does your country verify or seek to authenticate EUCs or other types of end-user documentation provided?	☐	☒
	5.5.1 Details:		
	5.6 Does your country have measures in place aimed at preventing the forgery and misuse of EUCs or other types of end-user documentation?	☐	☐
	5.6.1 Details:		
	5.7 When exporting, does your country require a Delivery Verification Certificate (DVC) to confirm that SALW have reached their intended end-user or intended importer in the importing State?	☐	☒
	5.8 After exporting, does your country verify or seek to authenticate DVCs provided?	☐	☒
	5.8.1 Details:		
	5.9 When importing, does your country grant the right to the exporting State to conduct a physical check at the point of delivery?	☐	☒
ITI 8b	5.10 Does your country require that SALW imported into your country be marked at the time of import?	☒	☐
	5.10.1 Who is required to mark the SALW?		
	The marking is required by law from the Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Internal Security.		
	5.10.2 What information is included in the marking on import (check relevant boxes)?		
	a) Country of import	☒	
	b) Year of import	☒	

	c) Other:	☒	
	[if other, please explain]		
	Country of manufacturer; Year of manufacturer; Serial number;		
	5.10.3 Are there exceptions to the requirement to mark imported SALW?	☐	☒
	5.10.3.1 If so, describe:		
	5.10.4 If marked SALW imported into your country do not bear a unique marking when they arrive, does your country require that they be given such a marking?	☐	☒
	5.10.4.1 Details:		
PoA II.9: ITI 12	5.11 Does your country require that exporters and importers of SALW keep records of their activities?	☒	☐
	5.11.1 What information must be recorded (check relevant boxes)?		
	a) Quantity of SALW traded	☒	
	b) Type or model of SALW traded	☒	
	c) Markings appearing on transferred SALW	☒	
	d) Transactions	☒	
	i) Identity of buyer/seller	☒	
	ii) Country SALW are to be delivered to or purchased from	☒	
	iii) Date of delivery	☒	
	e) Other:	☐	
	[if other, please explain]		
	5.11.2 How long must records of transfers be kept?		
	Indefinitely		
	[if other, please explain]		
PoA II.6	5.12 During the reporting period, was action taken against groups or individuals engaged in transferring SALW illegally (e.g. prosecution)	☐	☒
	5.12.1 Details:		
	In 2010, the Government of Somalia arrested one soldier for purchasing arms and ammunition from government soldiers and selling them to arms dealers in Mogadishu.		

International assistance

PoA III.6	6. Does your country wish to request assistance in developing laws, regulations or administrative procedures to exercise effective control over the export, import, transit or retransfer of SALW?	☒	☐
	6.1 What kind of assistance do you require?		
	FGS requires assistance in developing laws, regulations and administrative procedures to exercise effective control over SALW.		
	6.2 Has your country developed a project proposal for assistance?	☐	☒

Section 4: Brokering

Sources	Question	Yes	No
Laws, regulations and administrative procedures			
PoA II.14	7. Does your country have laws, regulations and/or administrative procedures governing brokering of SALW?	☐	☒
	7.1 List laws and/or administrative procedures regulating SALW brokering in your country.		
	7.2 Does your country require registration of SALW brokers?	☐	☒
	7.3 Does your country require a license, permit or other authorisation for each brokering transaction?	☒	☐
GGE Report para 44	7.4 Does your country regulate activities that are closely associated with the brokering of SALW?	☐	☒
	7.4.1 If so which of the following activities are regulated when undertaken in connection with the brokering of SALW (check relevant boxes)?		
	a) Acting as dealers or agents	☐	
	b) Providing technical assistance	☐	
	c) Training	☐	
	d) Transport	☐	
	e) Freight forwarding	☐	
	f) Storage	☐	
	g) Finance	☐	
	h) Insurance	☐	
	i) Maintenance	☐	
	j) Security	☐	
	k) Other services:	☐	
	[if other, please explain]		
	7.5 During the reporting period, was action taken against groups or individuals engaged in illegal brokering (e.g. prosecution)?	☐	☐
	7.5.1 Details:		
International assistance			
PoA III.6	8. Does your country wish to request assistance in developing laws, regulations and/or administrative procedures to regulate SALW brokering?	☒	☐

8.1 What kind of assistance do you require?

We need experts, financial support and everything related to this matter.

8.2 Has your country developed a project proposal for assistance?

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Section 5: Stockpile management

Sources	Question	Yes	No
	Laws, regulations and administrative procedures		
PoA II.17	9. Does your country have standards and procedures relating to the management and security of SALW held by the armed forces, police or any other entity authorised to hold SALW?	☒	☐
PoA II.17	9.1 If so, which of the following provisions are included in these standards and procedures (check relevant boxes)?		
	a) Appropriate locations for stockpiles	☒	
	b) Physical security measures	☒	
	c) Control of access to stocks	☒	
	d) Inventory management and accounting control	☒	
	e) Staff training	☒	
	f) Security, accounting and control of SALW held or transported by operational units or authorised personnel	☒	
	g) Procedures and sanctions in the event of theft or loss	☒	
	h) Other:	☒	
	[if other, please explain]		
	A procedure is in place and a progress has been made for registering, marking, and recording of weapons that are stored in Halane at the Mogadishu International Airport. We started an SOP for the management of captured weapons and forms to compile data on captured weapons.		
PoA, II.18	9.2 When stocks are identified as surplus, what actions does your country take with regard to the surplus (check relevant boxes)?		
	a) Officially declare as surplus	☐	
	b) Take out of service	☐	
	c) Record by type, lot, batch, and serial number	☐	
	d) Store separately	☐	
	e) Other:	☐	
	[if other, please explain]		
PoA, II.18	9.3 In disposing of the surplus stocks, which of the following methods may be used (check relevant boxes)?		
	a) Destruction	☐	
	b) Sale to another State	☐	

	c) Donation to another State	☐	
	d) Transfer to another state agency	☐	
	e) Sale to civilians	☐	
	f) Sale or transfer to legal entities (e.g. museums, private security companies, etc.)	☐	
	g) Other:	☐	
	[if other, please explain]		
PoA II.19	9.4 During the biennial reporting period, has your country destroyed surplus stocks?	☐	☒
	9.4.1 How many SALW were destroyed?		
	i) First reporting year (2016)		
	ii) Second reporting year (2017)		
	9.4.2 Any further comments regarding destruction?		
	None.		
	International assistance		
PoA II.29: III.6	10. Does your country wish to request assistance in developing standards and procedures on stockpile management?	☒	☐
	10.1 What kind of assistance do you require?		
	We need small arms and ammunition registration and accounting systems training for further strengthening existing procedures and reach objectives within SC Res. 2093 . Further support for the refurbishment and construction of armouries is also needed and support from International Partners are providing assistance in this area. Assistance is also needed to implement procedures for the safe transportation and delivery of weapons and ammunition including interim options to secure weapons where operations are happening.		
	10.2 Has your country developed a project proposal for assistance?	☐	☒
	International assistance		
PoA III.6: 14	11. Does your country wish to request assistance in developing capacity for the destruction of weapons?	☒	☐
	11.1 What kind of assistance do you require?		
	We need assistance for stockpile management, book-keeping and procedures and weapons and ammunition storages.		
	11.2 Has your country developed a project proposal for assistance?	☐	☒

Section 6: Collection

Sources	Question	Yes	No
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Collection

12. During the reporting period, did your country collect any SALW? ☐ Yes ☒ No

12.1 How many SALW were collected? [click No if data is not available: go to 13]

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i) First reporting year (2016)

ii) Second reporting year (2017)

12.1.1 What action was taken with respect to the SALW collected? Provide numbers of weapons collected. [click No if data is not available: go to 13]

	SALW collected	
Year	i) First reporting year (2016)	ii) Second reporting year (2017)
12.1 Collected		
12.1.1 Action taken		
a) Marked		
b) Recorded		
c) Destroyed		
d) Trace request issued		
e) Other action [specify]:		
f) No action taken (only stored)		

12.1.2 If further breakdown of collected SALW is available, specify and provide numbers: [click No if data is not available: go to 13]

Year	i) First reporting year (2016)	ii) Second reporting year (2017)
a) How many SALW were seized?		
b) How many SALW were surrendered?		
c) How many SALW were found?		

12.1.3 What action was taken with respect to the SALW seized, surrendered or found? Specify and provide numbers. [click No if data is not available: go to 13]

	SALW seized		SALW surrendered		SALW found	
Year	i) First reporting year (2016)	ii) Second reporting year (2017)	i) First reporting year (2016)	ii) Second reporting year (2017)	i) First reporting year (2016)	ii) Second reporting year (2017)
12.1.2 seized / surrendered / found						
12.1.3 Action taken						
a) Marked						
b) Recorded						
c) Destroyed						
d) Trace request issued						
e) Other action: [specify]						
f) No action taken (only stored)						

International assistance

PoA III.6

13. Does your country wish to request assistance in building capacity for collection of the illicit SALW?



13.1 What kind of assistance do you require?

To enhance SOPs for captured weapons, training, tracing on identification of weapons for all Security Forces.

13.2 Has your country developed a project proposal for assistance?



Section 7: Making and record-keeping

Sources	Question	Yes	No
	Marking		
ITI 8d	14. Does your country take measures to ensure that all SALW in the possession of government armed and security forces for their own use are duly marked? 14.1 Describe the markings that are applied to government-held stocks. SALW imported marked and records. Somalia does not have manufactures, all stockpiling, transfer and possession of SALW are controlled. Thus, stockpiling, transfer and possession of SALW are not marked or inadequately marked are not only illegal but also punishable by law and thus prohibited to be imported into the country.	☒	☐
ITI 8c	14.2 When government stocks are transferred to civilians or private companies in your territory, are such stocks marked to indicate that your government transferred the stocks? Marking	☐	☒
ITI 8e	15. Does your country encourage manufacturers of SALW to develop measures against the removal or alteration of markings? 15.1 Details:	☐	☒
	Record keeping		
PoA II.9	16. Does your country have standards and procedures related to keeping of records for all marked SALW in its territory? 16.1 What records relating to SALW are kept by the State (e.g. manufacturing, brokering, import and export licenses granted, sales to other States, SALW held by State agencies such as the armed forces etc)?	☐	☒
ITI 12 a,b	16.2 How long does the government keep such records? [please detail]		
ITI 13	16.3 In the event that they go out of business, are companies engaged in SALW activities (e.g. manufacturing, importing, exporting, etc) required to submit all records held by them to the government?	☐	☐
	International assistance		
PoA III.6, ITI 27	17. Does your country wish to request assistance in building capacity for marking and/or record-keeping? 17.1 What kind of assistance do you require? Currently, records are kept manually, therefore, we need computerization of Central Arms Registry.	☒	☐
	17.2 Has your country developed a project proposal for assistance?	☐	☒

Section 8: International tracing

Sources	Question	Yes	No
Laws, regulations and administrative procedures			
PoA II.10: ITI 14, 24	18. Does your country have procedures in place to trace SALW?	☒	☐
ITI 25: 31a	18.1 Which government agency is responsible for making a tracing request to another country? Currently, National Intelligence Security Agency is the agency responsible for tracing weapons. Conflict Armament Research has been launching trace request on its behalf.		
ITI 17	18.2 What information does the designated agency include in a tracing request? (check relevant boxes) a) Circumstances under which the SALW was found b) Reasons why the SALW is considered to be illegal or illicit c) The intended use of the information being sought d) Any markings on the SALW e) Type/calibre of SALW f) Other: [if other, please explain]	☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☒ ☐	
Cooperation with INTERPOL			
PoA II.37: ITI 33	19. During the reporting period, has your country cooperated on the issue of tracing SALW with the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)?	☐	☒
International assistance			
PoA III.9	20. Does your country wish to request assistance in developing procedures to trace SALW?	☒	☐
PoA II.36: III.6:ITI 27	20.1 What kind of assistance do you require? The FGS would like to have better information sharing with naval forces that are capturing weapons off the coast of Somalia. It is important for us to involved in the tracing process, so that we can understand the sources of weapons that are being supplied to Al Shabaab. The FGS also needs better support from AMISOM on tracing weapons. Currently, AMISOM does not share information regarding captured weapons, and therefore the FGS is unable to trace weapons that AMISOM forces are capturing from Al Shabaab.		
	20.2 Has your country developed a project proposal for assistance?	☐	☒
International assistance			

21. Has your country considered providing assistance to examine technologies to improve the tracing and detection of illicit SALW?



PoA III.10:

ITI 28

21.1 Details:

Somali are using Conflict Armament Research for their on tracing. However, we need to implement means that allow us to to trace and detect all forms of illicit SALW independent in the future.

Section 9: International cooperation and assistance

Sources	Question	Yes	No
	Assistance requested/received/provided		
PoA III.3, 6	22. During the reporting period, in addition to the assistance requested/received mentioned in the Sections 2-8 above, has your country requested / received / provided assistance to implement the PoA and ITI? [if no, proceed to end of Reporting Tool] 22.1 If so, in what areas (check relevant boxes)? a. Establishing/designating National Coordination Agency/National Point of Contact a) Nature of the assistance: i) financial: (select appropriate) ii) technical: (select appropriate) b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial): c) Description of the assistance activity: d) Duration of the assistance provided/received: e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance: b. Disarmament, demobilization and reintegration (DDR) a) Nature of the assistance: i) financial: (select appropriate) ii) technical: (select appropriate) b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial): c) Description of the assistance activity: d) Duration of the assistance provided/received: e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance: c. Capacity-building and training on SALW issues a) Nature of the assistance: i) financial: (select appropriate)	☐	☒

ii) technical: (select appropriate)

b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):

c) Description of the assistance activity:

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

d. Law enforcement

a) Nature of the assistance:

i) financial: (select appropriate)

ii) technical: (select appropriate)

b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):

c) Description of the assistance activity:

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

e. Customs and borders

a) Nature of the assistance:

i) financial: (select appropriate)

ii) technical: (select appropriate)

b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):

c) Description of the assistance activity:

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

f. Action-oriented research

a) Nature of the assistance:

- i) financial: (select appropriate)
- ii) technical: (select appropriate)
- b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):
- c) Description of the assistance activity:
- d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:
- e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

g. Children/youth

- a) Nature of the assistance:
 - i) financial: (select appropriate)
 - ii) technical: (select appropriate)
- b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):
- c) Description of the assistance activity:
- d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:
- e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

h. Awareness-raising

- a) Nature of the assistance:
 - i) financial: (select appropriate)
 - ii) technical: (select appropriate)
- b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):
- c) Description of the assistance activity:
- d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:
- e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

i. Organized crime, drug trafficking and terrorism

a) Nature of the assistance:

i) financial: (select appropriate)

ii) technical: (select appropriate)

b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):

c) Description of the assistance activity:

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

j. Other

Received

Specify:

UMAS and its partners have rehabilitated or constructed a total of 10 armouries for police and army weapons storage. An storage at Halane now serves as the primary location for marking weapons, recording and distributing imported weapons and ammunition.

a) Nature of the assistance:

i) financial: (select appropriate)

ii) technical: (select appropriate)

b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):

c) Description of the assistance activity:

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

Section 10: Information and files to be submitted

Sources	Question	Yes	No
Information on national marking practice			
ITI 31	23. Pursuant to paragraph 31 of the International Tracing Instrument, States will provide the Secretary-General with the following information, updating it when necessary:		
ITI 31	a) National marking practices related to marking used to indicate country of manufacture and/or country of import as applicable.		
	b) Please upload/attach information such as images and illustrations: Uploaded information will be shared with INTERPOL, the global hub for firearms and ammunition databases (www.interpol.int/INTERPOL-expertise/Databases).		
Gender considerations			
BMS6 outcome 59	24. Does your country take into account gender considerations, including promotion of the meaningful participation and representation of women, in policymaking, planning and implementation processes related to the Programme of Action? 24.1 Details: [if yes](e.g. percentage of members of the National Commission on SALW who are female, participation in national decision-making on SALW control by the government ministry responsible for women's affairs, participation of women's organisations in programmes relating to awareness-raising, community safety and armed violence reduction).	☐	☐
Gender considerations			
BMS6 outcome 60	25. Does your country collect disaggregated data on gender and the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons? 25.1 Details: [if yes] (e.g. percentage and number of women participating in weapons collection/destruction programmes; gender-specific impacts of small arms and light weapons; small arms ownership; homicide; domestic violence.)	☐	☒
Additional information			
ITI 31	26. Any further comments on PoA and ITI, including implementation challenges and opportunities? [Please detail] In January 2014, the FGS established the Arms and Ammunition Management Steering Committee as a high-level body to oversee and coordinate the implementation by the FGS of activities to control weapons and stockpile management, import, export and transit of weapons, tracking of weapons, public awareness raising and legislative development. The FGS is implementing a national weapons registration system to further develop a network of armouries and ammunition storage facilities and start revising the legislative framework of Somalia.		

The FGS is in need of support to develop small arms and light weapons legislation based on the UN Programme of Action and the Nairobi Protocol on small arms and light weapons. Further, assistance to strengthen the capacity of the Weapons and Ammunition Management National Focal Point of the National Security Adviser to the President Federal Republic of Somalia (FGS) is needed, including the development of a National Action Plan on small arms to better coordinate national and regional initiatives to control small arms.

A national assessment on small arms and light weapons prevalence in Somalia would assist the FGS in developing future legislation and a National Action Plan.

Please upload/attach additional files (e.g. views on the implementation of the PoA and ITI, a national action plan, project proposals, a list of projects implemented and financial contributions provided):