



**The General Assembly First Committee**

**Co-Sponsors:** France, Germany, Guatemala, Hungary, Pakistan, Russian Federation, Syria and Uganda.

**Topic:** Illicit Trafficking of Small Arms

Calling attention to clause one of the preambles of the charter of the United Nations, which states to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war, Recalling what United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan said: "In terms of the carnage they cause, small arms, indeed, could well be described as, 'Weapons of Mass Destruction'",

**Fully aware** of the speech by the former president of the United States, Dwight D. Eisenhower in which he states, "The world in arms is not spending money alone. It is spending the sweat of its laborers, the genius of its scientists, the hopes of its children... this is not a way of life at all, in any true sense. Under the cloud of threatening war",

Agreeing fully with the statement by the current French Minister for Foreign Affairs Laurent Fabius: "The United Nations must continue to fight the scourge of small arms and light weapons,"

**Reaffirming** the Arms trade treaty of 2 April 2013, that makes it harder for criminals, human rights abusers and small arms traffickers to obtain weapons and creates a uniform frame work for the international trade in conventional arms and promotes transparency and accountability,

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**Draws the attention** to the percentage of small arms that are currently in the hands of civilians, and the volume of munitions and small arms that are manufactured each year,

1. Seeking nations to rethink policies considering trackers in firearms;
2. Calls upon nations to update gun laws and for nations who have yet to enact or are absent of gun laws to create some;
3. Advises countries to create safe and secure, stockpiles of small arms;
4. Requests nations to educate citizens on weapon safety;
5. Encourages nations to eradicate all loose stockpiles and to prevent arms entering into black markets;
6. Requests countries to heighten boarder security with better visa and passport recognition, and more intricate searches of baggage, cars, persons and international planes;
7. Supports the creation of service platforms where people call or text to report small arms threats and trade;
8. Calls upon the creation of task-forces focused on tracing illegally traded arms throughout the world;
9. Requests further additions made to the ATT covering religious extremists' purchases for small arms and the transfer of small arms to non-state actors;
10. Recommends the issuing of gun licenses that both only the government and the owner will have access to and creating a secure owners record that only the government has access to;
11. Supports the creation global tracking systems that has a laser engraved serial code on

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the physical firearm etched deeply enough into the arm so that in the case that it is scratched off, it is clearly visible;

12. Strongly emphasizes the necessity for countries to pay more attention to where the arms, illegal and legal, are exported and imported;

13. Recommends that the DDR be incorporated into more countries.