

CSP4 SIDE EVENT

Tuesday, 21 August

Title:	Preventing the Diversion of Legally Transferred Weapons
Organizer:	<i>Control Arms, France and Mexico</i>
Room:	<i>Room MAI (60 persons)</i>
Speakers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Chair – Ms. Anna MacDonald (Control Arms)</i>• <i>Speakers</i><ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <i>Ambassador Miguel Ruiz Cabanas (Government of Mexico)</i>○ <i>Mr Yann Hwang (Government of France)</i>○ <i>Mr. Patrick Wilcken (Amnesty International)</i>○ <i>Ms. Sara San Martin (Centro de Estudios Ecuménicos)</i>
Start time:	<i>13:15, Lunch provided</i>
Language:	<i>English</i>
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<p>Description: <i>The ATT has the potential to be a key mechanism for preventing diversion of conventional weapons and ammunition around the world. The ATT affirms that all States Parties have a shared responsibility to address diversion, and that a particular onus rests on exporters who provide weapons and ammunition where diversion risks may exist to take pre-emptive action to reduce or negate these concerns.</i></p> <p><i>Addressing diversion requires a comprehensive approach that enables states to tackle all aspects of the problem throughout the transfer chain. This side event seeks to provide a forum for governments and civil society to discuss the effects of diversion and measures taken to address diversion.</i></p> <p><i>No state can inoculate itself from the consequences of diversion by acting alone. In order to effectively tackle diversion, in all its varied forms, it is important for states to collaborate: sharing information on diversion risks, and working together - as well as with civil society expert actors - to reduce risks and instances.</i></p> <p><i>Speakers will address examples of diversion around the world, and how effective ATT implementation can address this.</i></p>	