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REPORT ON THE ATT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE’S ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD 2023/2024

INTRODUCTION

1. The Management Committee is established as a subsidiary body under Article 17(4) of the Arms Trade Treaty as well as Rule 42 of the Rules of Procedure, to provide oversight on financial matters as well as other matters related to the ATT Secretariat with the aim of ensuring maximum accountability, efficiency and transparency.

2. This report is submitted by the Management Committee in accordance with its reporting obligation to the Conference of States Parties contemplated in Rule 42(3) of the Rules of Procedure of the Arms Trade Treaty and Section 12 of its own Terms of Reference.

COMPOSITION OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

3. The Management Committee is chaired by the President of the Tenth Conference of States Parties (CSP10), Ambassador Răzvan RUSU, Permanent Representative of Romania to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva, and is composed of five States Party representatives designated by the United Nations regional groups and appointed by the Ninth Conference of States Parties (CSP9). The State Party representing the African Group was appointed by States Parties via silence procedure in November 2023. The current Management Committee members are: Burkina Faso, China, Latvia, the United Kingdom, and Panama serving for a period of one year up to the Tenth Conference of States Parties, and Peru to serve for a period of one year up to the Eleventh Conference of States Parties.

4. Section 3 of the Management Committee’s Terms of Reference provides that, with the exception of the President of the Conference of States Parties and the ATT Secretariat representative, members of the Committee shall serve for a period of two years and are eligible to serve a further term. Accordingly, the term of the current Management Committee will run until the Eleventh Conference of States Parties (CSP11).

5. The term of the current Management Committee will conclude at the end of CSP11, and a new Management Committee is expected to be appointed then for a term of two years.
MANDATE

6. The mandate of the Management Committee is to provide oversight on financial matters as well as other matters related to the ATT Secretariat with the aim of ensuring maximum accountability, efficiency and transparency. The Management Committee’s mandate is elaborated in its Terms of Reference, referenced ATT/CSP1/CONF/4.

METHOD OF WORK

7. In performing its work, the Management Committee relies on the provisions of the Treaty, its Terms of Reference, the Directive of States Parties to the ATT Secretariat and decisions taken by Conferences of States Parties related to its mandate.

8. The Management Committee conducts its work, its meetings and takes decisions in accordance with the provisions of the ATT Rules of Procedures with particular reference to Rules 42 and 43.

9. The Management Committee conducts its work through formal meetings as well as exchange of documentation through emails. Summaries of the Management Committee’s meetings are published on the restricted part of the ATT website for access by States Parties throughout the year.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE DELIVERABLES AND ACTIVITIES

10. In the reporting period, the Management Committee held two (2) formal meetings in Geneva, Switzerland.

11. In executing its mandate and decisions of Conferences of States Parties, the Management Committee undertook the following activities:

   a. Developed its programme of work for the year, with specific attention to the task assigned to the Management Committee by a CSP9 decision regarding the review of the 2024 ATT programme of work, on trial for one year.

   b. Developed the Management Committee draft proposal to CSP10 concerning the review of the current ATT programme of work, on trial for one year.

   c. Provided oversight over the process for the issuance of invoices in October 2023 to States for financial contributions to the ATT 2024 budget as adopted by CSP9.

   d. Provided oversight over the process for the notification of States of their outstanding assessed financial contributions in March 2024.

   e. Pursuant to Rule 4 (1) of the ATT Financial Rules and Section 10 of its own Terms of Reference, the Management Committee reviewed the 2025 budget estimates for the ATT Secretariat and CSP11 prior to submission to States Parties by the ATT Secretariat.

   f. Formed part of the Evaluation Committee established by a CSP9 decision to facilitate the recruitment of the new Head of the ATT Secretariat.

   g. Prepared its own report to CSP10 outlining activities undertaken by the Management Committee in the period between CSP9 and CSP10.
BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS

12. In undertaking its responsibilities during the period under review, the Management Committee did not incur any financial expenditure to be carried by the ATT budget.

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