

## *Treaty Implementation*

*Mr. President,*

*Allow me to begin by congratulating the Chair and the Facilitators on advancing of the Working Group on Effective Treaty Implementation.*

*Germany fully aligns itself with the statement presented by the European Union.*

*We welcome the establishment of the three sub-working groups and would like to encourage all members to continue their focused efforts in these fora.*

*In preparation of CSP 4, France, supported by Germany and eight other States Parties, presented a working paper on “preventing and fighting the diversion of legally transferred weapons”. We’d like to reiterate our commitment to the propositions outlined therein and invite States Parties to take them into consideration.*

*Diversion remains among the most serious issues to be tackled by the international community and especially the States Parties to the ATT. While end-user certification has been proven to be a vital tool to prevent illicit trade of arms and ammunition beforehand, measures to prevent diversion after delivery, such as end-use verification and post-shipment controls, are practiced by fewer states. To discuss first experiences in the field of post-shipment controls, Switzerland and Germany invite the distinguished delegates to participate in a thematic side-event this Thursday.*

*Mr. President,*

*Germany remains committed to supporting Treaty Implementation politically, financially and by sharing best practices at the EU and national level.*

*Thank you very much.*

