

The Arms Trade Treaty
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To : Representatives of Signatory States to the Arms Trade Treaty.
: Representatives of Observer States to the Arms Trade Treaty.
: Representatives of International and Regional Organizations.
: Representatives of Civil Society, NGOs and Industry.

Dear Distinguished Representatives,

ANNOUNCEMENT: CONFIRMATION OF THE FORMAT OF THE PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THE SEVENTH CONFERENCE OF STATES PARTIES

1. I refer to my letter of 10 February 2021 to all ATT stakeholders regarding the outcomes of the consultations with respect to the options for the format of the ATT Working Groups' meetings and informal preparatory meetings for the Seventh Conference of States Parties to the ATT (CSP7).
2. I write to inform you that, following a silence procedure on the matter, States Parties have agreed that the meetings of the ATT Working Groups and a CSP7 Informal Preparatory Meeting will be held virtually over five (05) days in April 2021, and remote consultations will be held intersessionally in May-June to finalise documentation arising out of the April meetings that will be submitted to CSP7 for consideration and possible adoption or endorsement.
3. The meetings of the ATT Working Groups and a CSP7 Informal Preparatory Meeting will take place from **26-30 April 2021**, as I indicated in my letter to all stakeholders on 10 February 2021.
4. The agenda, schedule of meetings, duration of sessions, and online platform for the virtual meeting will be communicated to all ATT stakeholders in due course.
5. As our focus now turns towards the preparations for the forthcoming preparatory meeting and the substantive work ahead, I thank you all once again for your patience and constructive participation in our efforts to move the process forward in these challenging times.
6. I avail myself of this opportunity to renew the assurance of my highest consideration.

Yours faithfully,



Ambassador Lansana GBERIE
President: Seventh Conference of States Parties to the ATT