

Countering Diversion in the Commonwealth

Please join the Commonwealth Secretariat for a discussion on countering diversion in the Commonwealth at a side event for the Arms Trade Treaty Working Group Meetings and Second CSP5 Informal Preparatory Meeting.

Wednesday 3 April 2019
13.15 – 14.45
Room 13
CICG, Geneva



The Commonwealth



The effective control of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) and their ammunition is a goal that unites countries across the Commonwealth, due to the severity of the potential consequences of their misuse. The Commonwealth Heads of Government, at their meeting in April 2018, acknowledged the devastating consequences of the illicit trade in SALW and agreed to strengthen cooperation and exchange of information to counter this threat. The Conventional Arms Control in the Commonwealth Initiative was set up to support member countries and strengthen cooperation.

The side event will bring together representatives of Commonwealth countries to discuss good practice and effective models. The Conventional Arms Control in the Commonwealth Initiative web platform, an important new information sharing tool for Commonwealth countries, will also be presented at the event.

Speakers

- Leo Tettey, Small Arms Commission, Ghana
- Samantha Allen, Ministry of National Security, Jamaica
- Marie-Pierre Olivier, Legal Adviser, Rule of Law Section, Commonwealth Secretariat
- Paul Holtom, Senior Researcher, Small Arms Survey