

**STATEMENT BY MALAYSIA AT THE GENERAL DEBATE OF THE TENTH CONFERENCE OF STATES PARTIES (CSP10)
TO THE ARMS TRADE TREATY (ATT)
19 – 23 AUGUST 2024**

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Mr. President,

Malaysia aligns itself with the statement delivered on behalf of OIC Member States.

1. On behalf of the delegation of Malaysia, I extend our gratitude to you, Mr. President and your team for the outstanding job undertaken during this CSP cycle. Malaysia also appreciates the efforts and commitment of the Chairs and Co-Chairs of the Working Groups, the Management Committee and the Secretariat in steering the preparatory process for CSP10.
2. As we commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Treaty’s entry into force in December 2014, Malaysia holds to its position that the ATT would serve as an impetus for the strengthening of national policies and regulations on international trade and preventing the diversion of conventional weapons. Be that as it may, we acknowledge the legitimate right of States to use arms judiciously for security, self-defence, research and trade purposes.

Mr. President,

1. While Malaysia participates in the CSP annual meeting since 2015, we also participate in other multilateral processes related to transparency in armaments such as the UN Register of Conventional Arms and the UN Programme of Action (PoA) to prevent, combat, and eradicate the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects and its International Tracing Instrument (ITI). Additionally, Malaysia complies with various UN Security Council resolutions that establish targeted sanctions measures such as arms embargoes to prevent the direct or indirect supply, sale or transfer of arms to sanctioned entities or individuals.

Mr. President,

1. On the domestic front, Malaysia has enacted an appropriate and strict set of domestic regulations, some of which include the Strategic Trade Act, the Customs Act and the Arms Act that aim to prevent illicit arms trade and irresponsible arms transfer, among others. Continuous efforts are ongoing at the working level, in this regard, to identify elements which could be aligned with the provisions of the ATT. Furthermore, Malaysia also continues to support and participate in regional efforts and initiatives under the ASEAN Framework that seek to strengthen the capabilities of its Member States to boost ongoing effort to stem illegal trafficking of arms.

Mr. President,

1. Malaysia appreciates the technical cooperation extended to us by ATT States Parties and international bodies through various workshops and capacity building programmes in the past years. These programmes allowed us to discuss issues linked to the regulation of international trade in conventional weapons and obtained relevant sharing of best practices and experience in ratifying the Treaty. We look forward for more valuable interactions and engagements in this area to strengthen existing mechanism as well as exploring initiatives in fulfilling Malaysia’s obligations under the Treaty.
2. Before ending our statement, Malaysia would like to express our concern with the irresponsible trade of conventional arms by States Parties and Signatory States of the Treaty, which have been used to support Israel in its ongoing carnage in Gaza. We call for all States to adhere to its legal obligations to the Treaty, particularly Article 6 on Prohibitions and Article 7 on Export and Export Assessment.
3. To conclude, Malaysia wishes to reaffirm its continued commitment to the ATT’s objective and my delegation looks forward to a productive Conference.

Thank you.