

Fifth Conference of States Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty
Statement on Universalisation
Latvia
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Mr Chair,

Latvia fully aligns itself with the EU statement to be presented in the next few minutes and would like to make a short statement in national capacity.

Latvia thanks the Co-Chairs for their substantive work this year.

Latvia endorses the *Welcome Pack for New States Parties to the ATT*, and the encouragement for this to be translated into languages beyond the official UN languages to aid universalization efforts. Latvia has welcomed the partnership with civil society this year on Universalisation, and recognises the contribution of the *Sprint to 100* campaign and other outreach efforts. We encourage States parties to continue to engage with civil society on universalization activities.

We suggest that there could be particular benefit of new States parties participating in both the CSP and associated Working Groups, and recommend that this could be a factor for the Management Committee to consider in their selection of sponsorship recipients.

Thank you.