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**Agenda Point 7: Treaty Implementation**

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**General Remarks concerning  
Treaty Implementation**

Mr. Chair

Let me first of all express Switzerland's gratitude for your much appreciated work. It allowed us to make progress in the working groups. The helpful presentations and the distributed documents also supported this progress.

With regard to the Sub-Group on Articles 6 and 7, Switzerland welcomes the completion of the first chapter of the voluntary guide to assist States Parties in implementing these two articles. We thank the States Parties for their cooperation in this first chapter and the Chair for taking into account our comments. In our view, the voluntary guide is an important and helpful document as it transparently highlights divergent views and allows for further work based on these views for the second chapter in the CPS9 cycle.

Regarding the implementation of Article 9, we appreciated the opportunity to discuss measures to regulate the transit and transshipment of arms by air, land and sea as well as the role of the private sector in the transit and trans-shipment of arms. The expert's presentations on these topics were helpful for the subsequent discussions. We welcome that the Facilitator of the Sub-working Group will present draft elements for a possible voluntary guide on the implementation of Article 9 based on the discussions thus far at the first meeting of the Sub-working Group in the CSP9 cycle.

Finally, Switzerland supports the recommendation to extend the work of the Sub-working Group on Article 11 by one additional year to focus on the topic of post-delivery cooperation. The ATT provides the perfect setting to discuss this topic holistically with all stakeholders. In this context, we thank Germany for the Presidential Paper dedicated to the topic of post-delivery cooperation. This paper provides a good basis for further work and discussions on this important topic.

Thank you, Mr. Chair.