

SIEM REAP PLAN OF ACTION

Recognizing the devastating consequences of the inadequate regulation and oversight of the international trade in conventional weapons, including in the Asia Pacific region

Welcoming the adoption of the Arms Trade Treaty on 2 April 2013 and its opening for signature on 3 June 2013

Welcoming also the fact that 118 countries have signed and 41 countries have ratified the Arms Trade Treaty to date

Mindful of the importance of securing the early entry into force of the ATT

Aware of the important and many roles that Members of Parliament can play in promoting signature and ratification of the ATT

Cognizant of the need for Parliamentarians to continue to advocate for and work towards signature and ratification together with their colleagues in the Executive branch of Government in their respective countries

Recognizing also the essential role that civil society can and continues to play in providing information, advice and expertise to facilitate signature and ratification of the ATT

Determined to improve the security and basic welfare of all our peoples

We, Members of Parliament from the Asia Pacific region, will seek to take one or more of the following steps, as applicable, upon conclusion of this Workshop

- 1) Reach out to our colleagues in Government to encourage swift signature and ratification of the ATT, including, as appropriate, prompt referral of the ATT to Parliaments for parliamentary ratification
- 2) For those of us that come from countries that have signed and ratified the ATT, reach out to other countries in our respective regions to encourage and facilitate the same course of action
- 3) Convene Committee or Sub-Committee Meetings in our respective Parliaments as a means of highlighting the important role that Parliamentarians can take in promoting signature and ratification of the ATT
- 4) Reach out to media outlets in our respective countries to publicize the ATT and its importance as well as our participation in this Workshop
- 5) Inform the organizers of this Workshop of the steps we have taken pursuant to this Plan of Action and keep the organizers informed of any new and important developments pertaining to the ATT in our respective countries

Done this 16th day of July, 2014 in Siem Reap, Cambodia