

Interim Board Meeting

Date: November 29, 2019

Attendees: Tamjid Rahman, Michael Beer, Pia Devoto, Roy Isbister, Ben Donaldson, Geoffrey Duke, Raluca Muresan (staff member), Joe Ralston (accountant)

Agenda

1. Welcome and frame of work
2. Interim Board Status
3. Overview of main CA Secretariat projects, planning of this work cycle and description of current projects and next deliveries and CA secretariat challenges and need for support
4. Finances
5. Fundraising update
6. Priorities and future plans (only IB)

Discussions

The IB will try for consensus and will support the Secretariat and work with the CWG to make good strategic decisions and proposals. Final decisions will be made by the IB. IB discussions will be public.

Lack of gender balance on IB is acknowledged. The IB identified a requirement to ensure that the process to establish the next Control Arms Board encourages female nominations and that the resultant Board is balanced by both region and gender.

The main area of concern of the IB members is the CA Secretariat financial/funding Situation. The finance situation is not 100% finalized by CA accountant Joe Ralston. The main challenge is long term funding and the lack of core funding for staff, which are funded by different donors.

Future funding applications: Swiss application for Geneva activities and some sponsorship for meetings, Canada: concept note underway, Sweden application planned. Other outreach will include Ireland, Norway and EU (for ATT Monitor).

CA Secretariat Projects:

- ATT Academy in Southern Africa - 1st in-person training scheduled for 9-12 December 2019. 30 participants from Southern Africa, 9 countries that are SADC members, will discuss the ATT article by article and problem solve.
- Control Arms received approval from UNSCAR to fund GBV training in Latin America for export control officials. This will build on the pilot-training that Control Arms did earlier this year in Eastern Europe. Planning has not yet begun.

- Membership review is underway to update information and main contacts for member orgs
- Continued one-on-one support to CA members as well as ATT SPs on Treaty universalization and implementation
- Civil society coordination and substantive input in ATT CSPs and associated meetings
- Strengthen CA presence in Geneva

Current staffing:

ATT Monitor: Daniel Mack and Katherine Young

CA Secretariat: Raluca Muresan

CA Geneva Office: Aaron Laine

Grant writing & reporting support: Cindy Ebbs (one day/week)

Agreements and next steps

Maria Pia Devoto will work on the summary of the minutes to be available publicly

Ivan will support on reporting and grants activities

Roy will be contact EU for ATT Monitor funding

CA priorities: Interim Director, Monitor Coordinator and election of a chair of the IB, funding applications, reports fundraising