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The Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions of Member States to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to resolution [80/28](#) entitled “Transparency in armaments”, adopted by the General Assembly on 1 December 2025.

By operative paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of the resolution, the General Assembly:

“Emphasizes that it is important for those Member States in a position to do so, using the “Seven-Plus-One” formula, to provide information on exports and imports of small arms and light weapons, and decides to adapt the scope of the Register in conformity with the recommendations contained in the 2025 report of the Secretary-General;

Calls upon Member States, with a view to achieving universal participation, to provide the Secretary-General, by 31 May annually, with the requested data and information for the Register, including nil reports and rolling nil returns if appropriate, using the online reporting tool, on the basis of resolutions 46/36 L and 47/52 L and the recommendations contained in the respective reports of the Secretary-General on the continuing operation of the Register and its further development;

Calls upon Member States in a position to do so to voluntarily provide information on procurement through national production and military holdings to the Register in addition to information on imports and exports of conventional arms, using the online reporting tool or standardized reporting forms for reporting on procurement through national production and military holdings;”

Pursuant to the above-mentioned paragraphs, UNODA stands ready to receive national reports on transfers of major conventional arms, as well as small arms and light weapons and information on procurement through national production and military holdings, pertaining to the 2025 fiscal year by the **deadline of 31 May 2026**.

Governments that did not undertake any imports or exports of conventional arms that fall under UNROCA’s seven main categories should submit a nil report, or a nil seven-plus-one report if no small arms or light weapons were imported or exported. Nil reporting is important, as it allows for a truly global picture of trends in military spending, thus reinforcing the value of UNROCA as a confidence-building measure. Member States can also submit rolling nil reports, which will remain valid for three years, provided that the reporting State does not intend to export nor import any major conventional arms during that period. Rolling nil reports can be submitted by checking the appropriate box via the online reporting tool.

Member States are encouraged to submit information via UNODA's secure, web-based reporting tool (www.unroca.org/reporting/login). Country-specific log-in details, including the username and password remain the same as last year. Log-in details can be requested by Permanent Missions and focal points by contacting UNODA.

Member States unable to submit information through the web-based reporting tool are invited to transmit their reports directly to UNODA via e-mail at conventionalarms-unoda@un.org with Ms. Claudia Garcia-Guiza (claudia.garcia-guiza@un.org) and Mr. Randall Tilson (randall.tilson@un.org) in copy.

Consistent with ongoing efforts under the UN80 initiative, including the Mandate Implementation Review process aimed at supporting improved implementation of mandated outputs—such as Secretary-General reports—and in line with UNODA's continued efforts to innovate and deliver on its mandates in ways most useful to Member States, the annual submissions of Member States to the UNROCA instrument will be made publicly available through the interactive, online database (<http://www.unroca.org>). The UNROCA online database automatically reflects Member States' submissions via the online reporting tool, which is now available in all official UN languages to promote broader participation of Member States.

In 2025, 75 Member States submitted national reports to UNROCA, compared to 71 submissions in 2024. These reports, along with those from previous years, are available in the online database.

Member states are encouraged to provide updated contact information for their national focal points via e-mail to conventionalarms-unoda@un.org, or by submitting the updated details together with their national reports through the UNROCA reporting tool.

In order to address reporting fatigue, the State Parties of the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) have decided to give reporting States the option to share their annual ATT report with UNODA to be used as a basis for a submission to UNROCA. This can be done by selecting the appropriate checkbox in the ATT's annual reporting template.

In an effort to strengthen national reporting capacities, UNODA has published a practical guide that provides step-by-step instructions on preparing and submitting national reports to UNROCA. The guide is now available in French and Spanish, in addition to English. The guide as well as additional resources are available on UNODA's website (<https://disarmament.unoda.org/en/our-work/cross-cutting-issues/military-confidence-building-measures/register-conventional-arms>).

Member States requiring any assistance are invited to reach out directly to UNODA (conventionalarms-unoda@un.org) with Ms. Claudia Garcia-Guiza (claudia.garcia-guiza@un.org) and Mr. Randall Tilson (randall.tilson@un.org) in copy.

The Office for Disarmament Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions of Member States to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.



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