

Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations

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The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations and has the honour to inform that in pursuance of the recommendations of the Programme of Action adopted by the United Nations Conference on "Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects" held on 9-20 July 2001 and a decision of the third session of the PrepCom for the Conference, the Government of Bangladesh has taken the following policy decision:

- 1) Adoption of destruction as a major means of disposal of confiscated illegal small arms and light weapons;
- 2) Observance of 9 July every year as "Small Arms Destruction Day".

The Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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