SECTION 1: POINTS OF CONTACT

Have your country established a National Coordination Agency or other body responsible for policy guidance, research and monitoring of efforts to prevent, combat and eradicate the illicit trade in SALW in all its aspects?

Yes

- Name of agency: Ghana National Commission on Small Arms and Light Weapons
- Address: P.O. BOX M42 ACCRA GHANA
- Contact details:
  - Contact person: Jones Applerh
  - Telephone number(s): +233302669071
  - Email: applerjones@yahoo.com

SECTION 2: MANUFACTURE

Are there any SALW manufactured in your country?

No

SECTION 3: INTERNATIONAL TRANSFERS

Does your country have laws, regulations or administrative procedures to exercise effective control over the export, import, transit or retransfer of SALW?

Yes

List laws, regulations or administrative procedures to exercise effective control over the export, import, transit or retransfer of SALW.

PoA II.11  5.2. **Does a person or an entity who transfers SALW require a licence or other form of authorisation to transfer SALW from/into your country?**

Yes

PoA II.3  5.3. **Is it a criminal offence to trade SALW without a licence or authorisation, or to do so in a manner that is in contradiction to the terms of a licence or authorisation, in your country?**

No

PoA II.11  5.4. **What kind of documentation does your country require prior to authorising an export of SALW to another country?**

a) An end-user certificate (EUC) from the importing country

No

b) Other types of end-user documentation

No

PoA II.12  5.5. **Does your country verify or seek to authenticate EUCs or other types of end-user documentation provided?**

No

PoA II.12  5.6. **Does your country have measures in place aimed at preventing the forgery and misuse of EUCs or other types of end-user documentation?**

No

Sources  Post-delivery controls

7. **When exporting, does your country require a Delivery Verification Certificate (DVC) to confirm that SALW have reached their intended end-user or intended importer in the importing State?**

No

8. **After exporting, does your country verify or seek to authenticate DVCs provided?**

No

Sources  Marking at import

ITI 8b  5.10. **Does your country require that SALW imported into your country be marked at the time of import?**

Yes

10.1. Who is required to mark the SALW?

The Manufacturer at the Country of Export

10.2. **What information is included in the marking on import (check relevant boxes)?**

a) Country of import

✓

b) Year of import

✓

c) Other


10.3. **Are there exceptions to the requirement to mark imported SALW?**

No

10.4. **If marked SALW imported into your country do not bear a unique marking when they arrive, does your country require that they be given such a marking?**

No

Sources  Record-keeping

PoA II.9; ITI 12  5.11. **Does your country require that exporters and importers of SALW keep records of their activities?**

Yes

11.1. **What information must be recorded (check relevant boxes)?**

a) Quantity of SALW traded


b) Type or model of SALW traded


c) Markings appearing on transferred SALW


d) Transactions

   i) Identity of buyer/seller

   iii) Date of delivery

   iii) Country SALW are to be delivered to or purchased from

   e) Other

11.2. **How long must records of transfers be kept?**

N/A

Sources  Actions taken during the reporting period

PoA II.6  5.12. **During the reporting period, was action taken against groups or individuals engaged in transferring SALW illegally (e.g. prosecution)?**

Yes

12.1 Details.

Sources  International assistance

PoA III.6  6. **Does your country wish to request assistance in developing laws, regulations or administrative procedures?**

Yes

to exercise effective control over the export, import, transit or retransfer of SALW?

6.1. What kind of assistance do you require?
Capacity Building for the Agencies involved.

6.2. Has your country developed a project proposal for assistance?
Yes

SECTION 4: BROKERING

Sources  Laws, regulations and administrative procedures

PoA II.14  7. Does your country have laws, regulations and/or administrative procedures governing brokering of SALW?
No

SECTION 5: STOCKPILE MANAGEMENT

Sources  Laws, regulations and administrative procedures

PoA II.17  9. Does your country have standards and procedures relating to the management and security of SALW held by the armed forces, police or any other entity authorised to hold SALW?
Yes

9.1. If so, which of the following provisions are included in these standards and procedures (check relevant boxes)?

- a) Appropriate locations for stockpiles
- b) Physical security measures
- c) Control of access to stocks
- d) Inventory management and accounting control
- e) Staff training
- f) Security, accounting and control of SALW held or transported by operational units or authorised personnel
- g) Procedures and sanctions in the event of theft or loss
- h) Other

Sources  Surplus

PoA II.18  9.2. When stocks are identified as surplus, what actions does your country take with regard to the surplus (check relevant boxes)?

- a) Officially declare as surplus
- b) Take out of service
- c) Record by type, lot, batch, and serial number
- d) Store separately
- e) Other

9.3. In disposing of the surplus stocks, which of the following methods may be used (check relevant boxes)?
a) Destruction  
b) Sale to another State  
c) Donation to another State  
d) Transfer to another state agency  
e) Sale to civilians  
f) Sale or transfer to legal entities (e.g. museums, private security companies, etc.)  
g) Other  

### Sources Actions taken during the reporting period

| PoA II.19 | 9.4. During the reporting period, has your country destroyed surplus stocks? | No |

### Sources International assistance

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a) Stored securely pending further action |
|     | b) Marked | |
|     | c) Registered or recorded | |
|     | d) Destroyed | |
|     | e) Other | |

### Sources International assistance

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<td>13.1. What kind of assistance do you require?</td>
<td>Public Destruction for the seized weapons</td>
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<td>13.2. Has your country developed a project proposal for assistance?</td>
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### SECTION 7: MARKING AND RECORD KEEPING
14. Does your country take measures to ensure that all SALW in the possession of government armed and security forces for their own use are duly marked?

Yes

14.1. Describe the markings that are applied to government-held stocks.
Markings that are applied to government held stocks are done in accordance with Article 18 of the ECOWAS Convention on SALW. The markings are applied per this sequence: ECOWAS Logo, Country Code, Institutional Code, Unit Code, Serial number of the Weapon, and a counter.

14.2. When government stocks are transferred to civilians or private companies in your territory, are such stocks marked to indicate that your government transferred the stocks?
Yes

15. Does your country encourage manufacturers of SALW to develop measures against the removal or alteration of markings?

Yes

15.1 Details
Even though our law on Arms & Ammunition allows companies or individual to go into the production of SALW, we have not yet granted license to any company or individual for the production. The reason is we need to put in place the necessary systems and infrastructure in place and also review our law. In this regard we are currently reviewing our law on arms and ammunition and measures have been put in place to stop the removal or alteration of markings.

16. Does your country have standards and procedures related to keeping of records for all marked SALW in its territory?

Yes

16.1. What records relating to SALW are kept by the State (e.g. manufacturing, brokering, import and export licences granted, sales to other States, SALW held by State agencies such as the armed forces etc)?
All records such as imports & exports, brokering, Licensing, records on arms dealers are kept by the appropriate authorities.

16.2. How long does the government keep such records?
A minimum of 15 years but there are plans to put in place for an integrated systems automation for these records.

16.3. In the event that they go out of business, are companies engaged in SALW activities (e.g. manufacturing, importing, exporting etc) required to submit all records held by them to the government?
Yes

17. Does your country wish to request assistance in building capacity for record-keeping?

Yes

17.1. What kind of assistance do you require?
We need technical assistance in the area of infrastructure for system automation

17.2. Has your country developed a project proposal for assistance?
Yes

18. Does your country have procedures in place to trace SALW?

Yes

18.1. Which government agency is responsible for making a tracing request to another country?
The National Commission on Small Arms & Light Weapons

18.2. What information does the designated agency include in a tracing request? (check relevant boxes)

- a) Circumstances under which the SALW was found
- b) Reasons why the SALW is considered to be illegal or illicit
- c) The intended use of the information being sought
- d) Any markings on the SALW
- e) Type/calibre of SALW
- f) Other

19. During the reporting period, has your country cooperated on the issue of tracing SALW with the International

Yes
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Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) ?

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<td>Yes ▼</td>
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| PoA III.10; ITI 2521. Has your country considered providing assistance to examine technologies to improve the tracing and detection of illicit SALW? | No ▼ |

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a. Establishing/designating National Coordination Agency/National Point of Contact

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<th>a) Nature of the assistance:</th>
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i) financial | Requested ▼ |

ii) technical | Provided ▼ |

b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):

c) Description of the assistance activity:

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

National Commission on Small arms & Light Weapons

b. Disarmament, demobilization and reintegration (DDR)

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i) financial | --- Select --- ▼ |

ii) technical | Provided ▼ |

b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):

c) Description of the assistance activity:

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

Military and Police provides assistance to Liberia, Sierra Leone and Cote D’voire during the DDR programme

c. Capacity-building and training on SALW issues

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i) financial | Received ▼ |

ii) technical | Received ▼ |

b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):

Received an amount of $ 30,000 from ECOWAS to start the marking exercise

c) Description of the assistance activity:

Support to the National weapons marking and computerization programme.
d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:
three to six month period

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:
National Security, Military, Police, Bureau of national Investigation, Customs, Immigration,

\[\text{\textcolor{red}{d. Law enforcement}}\]

\[\text{a) Nature of the assistance:}\]
\[\text{i) financial --- Select --- \(\uparrow\)}\]
\[\text{ii) technical Received \(\uparrow\)}\]

\[\text{b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):}\]

\[\text{\textcolor{red}{c) Description of the assistance activity:}}\]
Received training on Firearms trafficking and investigation from UNODC

\[\text{d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:}\]
one week

\[\text{e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:}\]
National Security, Military, Police, Bureau of national Investigation, Customs, Immigration, Economic and Organized crime unit.

e. Customs and borders

\[\text{a) Nature of the assistance:}\]
\[\text{i) financial --- Select --- \(\uparrow\)}\]
\[\text{ii) technical Received \(\uparrow\)}\]

\[\text{b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):}\]

c) Description of the assistance activity:
received training border security management

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:
on week

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:
National Security, Military, Police, Bureau of national Investigation, Customs, Immigration.

\[\text{f. Action-oriented research}\]

\[\text{a) Nature of the assistance:}\]
\[\text{i) financial --- Select --- \(\uparrow\)}\]
\[\text{ii) technical --- Select --- \(\uparrow\)}\]

\[\text{b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):}\]

c) Description of the assistance activity:

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

\[\text{g. Children/youth}\]

\[\text{a) Nature of the assistance:}\]
\[\text{i) financial --- Select --- \(\uparrow\)}\]
\[\text{ii) technical --- Select --- \(\uparrow\)}\]

\[\text{b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):}\]

c) Description of the assistance activity:

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

\[\text{h. Awareness-raising}\]

\[\text{a) Nature of the assistance:}\]
\[\text{i) financial --- Select --- \(\uparrow\)}\]
ii) technical

b) The amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):

c) Description of the assistance activity:
Sensitization and awareness raising on the dangers associated with the proliferation of SALW

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:
6 months most especially getting to elections

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:
The national Commission on Small Arms & Light Weapons and other stakeholders

i. Organized crime, drug trafficking and terrorism

a) Nature of the assistance:

   i) financial

   ii) technical

b) Amount of assistance provided/received (if financial):

c) Description of the assistance activity:

d) Duration of the assistance provided/received:

e) State(s) or organization(s) that provided/received the assistance:

j Other

Any further comments on PoA and ITI, including implementation challenges and opportunities?

Additional information may be uploaded/attached, if necessary:

SECTION 10: INFORMATION TO BE SUBMITTED

2823. Pursuant to paragraph 31 of the International Tracing Instrument, States will provide the Secretary-General with the following information, updating it when necessary:

a) National marking practices related to marking used to indicate country of manufacture and/or country of import as applicable.
   ECOWAS Logo, Country Code, Institutional Code, Unit Code, Serial Number of the weapon and a counter example ECOWAS Logo, GH, GAF US222004-134

Additional information such as images and illustrations may be uploaded/attached, if necessary:

Note: Relevant information might have been provided in questions 4.2.1, 4.2.2 and 18.1 in this report.