

Substantive elements for the outcome document

25. In the course of their discussions, States emphasized the importance of the continued and full implementation of the Programme of Action and the International Tracing Instrument.
26. States focused their substantive discussions on the themes of marking, record-keeping and cooperation in tracing, as well as the cross-cutting themes of national frameworks, regional cooperation and international assistance and capacity-building.
27. States recognized the interconnected and mutually-reinforcing nature of effective marking, record-keeping and tracing of small arms and light weapons, and the enabling role that effective national frameworks, active regional cooperation and the provision of international assistance and capacity-building play in supporting full implementation of the International Tracing Instrument and relevant provisions of the Programme of Action.
28. In discussions under agenda item 6 (a) States exchanged information and shared experiences on national marking policies and practices and identified key implementation challenges and opportunities. States also discussed good practices, identified lessons learned and considered practical measures to enhance the reliable and adequate marking of small arms and light weapons.
29. In discussions under agenda item 6 (b) States exchanged information and shared experiences on national policies and practices relating to record-keeping and identified key implementation challenges and opportunities. States also exchanged views on good practices, identified lessons learned and considered practical measures relating to accurate and effective record-keeping.
30. In discussions under agenda item 6 (c) States exchanged information and shared experiences on cooperation in tracing, including relevant policies, processes, practices and tools, and identified key implementation challenges and opportunities. States also exchanged views on good practices, identified lessons learned and considered practical measures to strengthen effective and successful cooperation in tracing small arms and light weapons.
31. In discussions under agenda item 6 (d) States exchanged information on national policies and practices and identified key implementation challenges and opportunities regarding effective national frameworks to support the full implementation of the Programme of Action and the International Tracing Instrument.
32. In discussions under agenda item 6 (e) States exchanged information and shared experiences regarding regional cooperation in support of the full implementation of the Programme of Action and the International Tracing Instrument.
33. In discussions under agenda item 6 (f) States exchanged information and shared experiences on key implementation challenges and opportunities relating to the provision

of international assistance and capacity building to support the full implementation of the Programme of Action and the International Tracing Instrument.

34. At the conclusion of discussions, the Chair prepared a technical summary of the main substantive elements that were raised and the range of views expressed on each theme. The meeting noted that this summary was prepared under the Chair's own responsibility and sought to reflect his interpretation of the main points under discussion. This summary is not to be regarded as a general reflection of States' views. The Chair's technical summary is to be annexed to this report.

35. During discussions and without prejudice to the views of other States, some States indicated that, in their view, certain issues were important for the implementation of the Programme of Action and/or the International Tracing Instrument. On several of these issues, other delegations expressed a different opinion. Those issues included the following: