

Delegation of Sweden

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Mr Chariman,

I would like to thank Mr Printz for his presentation a few minutes ago. We do believe that the national reports are of fundamental importance for the PoA process. Any measure that serves to enhance transparency and accessibility in this regard is therefore most welcome and deserves our support.

Allow me to express my delegation's sincere appreciation of the excellent work laid down by yourself, your staff and the facilitators in the preparations for this meeting.

My delegation aligns itself with the statement made by France this morning on behalf of the European Union. As for our national input in the field of implementation, I shall follow your wise recommendations Mr Chairman and abstain from giving voice to a lengthy statement at this stage. I rather like to draw the delegations attention to a written statement by my delegation, that will be published very shortly on the conference website, outlining our national efforts.

At this moment I would just like to add our particular appreciation of your efforts, Mr Chairman, to provide for an active and extensive participation by NGOs at this meeting. The NGOs play a very important role in the SALW process and I am honoured to have as members of the Swedish delegation two NGO representatives.

Thank you Mr Chairman

