

Summary of the Regional Meeting on the Implementation of the United Nations Programme of Action to prevent, combat and eradicate the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects

In Lima, from 1 to 2 of March 2010, the following States of Latin American and the Caribbean: **Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, St. Kitts and Nevis, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay and Venezuela.** These States participated in the Regional Meeting on the Implementation of the United Nations Programme of Action to prevent, combat, and eradicate the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects.

The high level of attendance reflects the commitment of the countries of the region regarding the implementation of the Programme of Action and the preparation for the fourth Biennial Meeting of States to take place from the 14 to 18 June 2010.

During this Regional Meeting, the participating countries presented progress made on the Programme of Action at the national and subregional levels and highlighted the following aspects:

- a.) border control, including maritime boundaries and cooperation
- b.) international assistance and cooperation
- c.) marking and tracing
- d.) strengthening the institutionalization process of the implementation of the Programme of Action
- e.) nexus between illicit trafficking of small arms and light weapons, drug trafficking, transnational organized crime, among other illicit transnational activities
- f.) prevention and sensitization as an integral part of any action to mitigate and eliminate the threat posed by the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons

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