



Delegation of Italy to  
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Mister Chair,

At the outset, I would like to congratulate you, Amb. Guillermet Fernandez, and the facilitator for the Sub-working Group on current and emerging implementation issues, Ms. Rodriguez, on the substantive work conducted through this year in preparation of CSP10.

Italy aligns itself with the statement of the European Union. I would like to add some remarks in my national capacity.

We would like to express our gratitude to the interim Facilitator for completing the last anticipated chapter of the proposed Voluntary Guide, dedicated to Export and Export Assessment, and for concluding a document on which we have been working on since CSP4. We deem the Guide comprehensive and reflective of the broad discussions held in this forum. The streamline effort conducted made this instrument easy to consult by all institutions involved with the implementation of the Treaty. Although the work conducted by the Sub-working Group on Articles 6 & 7 is now completed, we reiterate the importance of having the possibility to discuss in the future any practical issues arising with

the implementation of those articles, given their crucial importance as core legal provisions of the Treaty. In this regard, we do not deem strictly necessary to have a long standing agenda item on art. 6 & 7 in the WGETI, as delegations already have a standing invitation to raise or propose implementation issues in the Sub-working Group on Current and Emerging Issues.

In terms of the list of practical implementation questions, even though we consider it already detailed and comprehensive, especially the emphasis given to international cooperation and assistance aspects, we are ready to support those delegations for whom it is important to indicate that this list has a non-exhaustive nature. Looking more specifically at the sequencing of topics, we appreciate that this plan is intended to be flexible and assessed over time in light of progress achieved and gaps remaining. We support the suggestion of starting the discussion on import and brokering since these are topics this forum has still to dwell in. Regarding the inclusion of diversion among the agenda items of the plan, we think this could be addressed under “enforcement arrangements” or “general regulation of transfers” and we should avoid to duplicate efforts already undertaken in the Diversion Information Exchange Forum (DIEF).

We would like to express appreciation for the work on interagency cooperation conducted by the Romanian Presidency and the dedicated working paper. We deem interagency cooperation, along with the role of industry, to be crosscutting and relevant for imports and exports alike as well as for international cooperation and assistance, contributing to the effective domestication and implementation of the Treaty provisions.

We also look forward to continuing the discussion on the risk of conventional arms being used for gender-based violence and violence against women and children. We express appreciation for the efforts conducted by Argentina on the development of a “Guide to Good Practices for arms control for the prevention of gender based violence” and support the proposal by Panama and others to create a Gender Focal Point based on the experience within the

Antipersonnel Mine-Ban Convention (APMBC) and Cluster Munitions Convention (CCM).

Thank you for your attention.