Reporting Template for International and Regional Organizations – WCO Programme of Action on small arms and light weapons
International Tracing Instrument
(2020 report covering implementation period of 2018-2019)

I. Organization and focal point

1. Organization name WORLD CUSTOMS ORGANIZATION
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3. Applicable (sub)region
4. Member States in the (sub)region – 183 member states globally
5. General mandate / purpose of the organization Setting international norms for Customs. Supporting Customs administration carry out mandated functions

II. Regional Instruments

6. Regional instrument(s) relevant for the implementation of the Programme of Action (if applicable)
   a. title of instrument(s)
   b. scope, objectives and main provisions of the instrument(s)
   c. mandated function of your organization under regional instrument(s)
   d. requirement for national reports under regional instrument(s)
   e. national focal points for your organization under regional instrument(s)
   f. regional action plan under regional instrument(s)

   b. To continue funding for the WCO Security Project in the Asia Pacific Region.
   c. To provide awareness raising, training and provision of technical equipment to participating countries in the region. Development of training materials and delivery of train the trainer courses for sustainable training knowledge for administrations.
   d. WCO reports to Donor (Government of Japan).
   e. As per section 1.
   f. In accordance with the Project Plan developed to deliver the commitments made in the Note Verbale, provision of a regional awareness raising event, development of Customs SALW training, three train-the-trainer courses, five national training courses, 19 hand-held backscatter x-ray units and a coordinated SALW operation.

To provide funding for training events to participating states in the League of Arab States.

To provide awareness raising and training. Development of training materials and delivery of train the trainer courses for sustainable training knowledge for administrations.

WCO reports to Donor (European Union).

As per section 1.

As described in EU Council Decision document 2018/1789 including provision of 22 weeks of in country training, 8 assessment missions and provision for translation of training materials and other relevant documents.

III. UN Programme of Action

7. Mandates and roles relevant for the implementation of the Programme of Action

Punta Cana Resolution, December, 2015. MOU between WCO and UNODA to enhance collaborative efforts in respect of the UN PoA, December, 2016.

8. Meetings
   a. participation in global UN PoA meetings

Planned attendance at seventh biennial meeting, June 2020 (travel permitting).

   b. regular meetings relevant to PoA process organized by your organization
      i. frequency and timing of meeting(s) (e.g. once a year in April)
      ii. timing of meetings aligned with the UN PoA process

World Custom Organization Enforcement Committee held annually or as required. The WCO Security Project will report to the members on aspects of its work which includes details relevant to the PoA.

9. Challenges related to implementation of the PoA for States of your (sub)region

With focus on control at the border, the technical knowledge and provision and use of technical equipment to identify illicit shipments of SALW at the border are areas that can be targeted for training delivery. Provision of best practices for investigation of offences and legislative assistance in the area of SALW are also areas that have been identified.

10. Targets/goals for States of your (sub)region and/or your organization, which are consistent with PoA implementation.

   The ability for Customs Departments to strengthen the detection and investigation of illicit SALW at the border.

IV. International assistance

11. International assistance (including regional assistance)
   a. assistance provided to member states during the reporting period

   The WCO delivered a regional assistance programme for Customs administrations in SE Asia between 2017 and 2019, this involved three train the trainer events and 6 national trainings.
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The WCO is current delivering training in concert with Small Arms Survey and INTERPOL to League of Arab States countries. A launch event, and two regional seminars have been delivered and national training has been planned for Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Morocco in the near future.

b. needs for international assistance - technical/financial contributions

The WCO has received requests from CARICOM IMPACS to deliver POA implementation and SALW detection training for its members. The WCO has some funds allocated for this but need match funding to cover local room hire and travel costs.

A needs assessment has also highlighted the need for a similar POA and SALW detection training programme for Mexico and Central America. The WCO has developed a programme to support this and can translate the existing training material into Spanish, but needs financial support from a donor to deliver it.

V. Relevant issues

12. Gender-specific considerations

   c. policies/guidance documents for gender-specific actions by your organization

All WCO Project and Programme activities are delivered in accordance with WCO’s Gender Equality guidance. This covers the use of language and access to WCO training. WCO seeks to have gender balance in relation to its management team, core staff and accredited experts.

   d. gender-focused initiatives/projects implemented during the reporting period
   e. gender-mainstreaming of SALW projects implemented during the reporting period

13. Contributions to implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

   f. SDG-related initiatives/projects implemented during the reporting period
   g. regional indicator(s)

VI. Additional remarks

Date:

An MS-Word or PDF version of your completed 2020 report should be sent via e-mail to conventionalarms-unoda@un.org by 31 May 2020.