Preventing the Spread of Weapons to Non-State Armed Groups

UNIDIR Seminar
3 September 2007 – 10:00 - 18:00
Palais des Nations – Council Chamber – 1st floor, door 6

AGENDA

Chair: Patricia LEWIS, Director, UNIDIR

10:00 – 10:15 — Opening Remarks
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Clemencia FORERO UCROS, Permanent Representative of Colombia

10:15 – 11:15 — The Scope of the Problem
Weapons Transfers and Non-State Armed Groups: An Overview
Chris SMITH, Chatham House, United Kingdom

Weapons Transfers and Non-State Armed Groups: Africa
Robert MTONGA, International Campaign to Ban Landmines, Zambia

Weapons Transfers and Non-State Armed Groups: Weapons of Mass Destruction
Mustafa KIBAROGLU, Bilkent University, Turkey

Discussion

11:15 – 11:45 Coffee break

11:45 – 13:00 — Instruments and Resources (part 1)
UNSC Res. 1540: Scope and Implementation
Lawrence SCHEINMAN, Monterey Institute for International Studies, USA / UNIDIR

Instruments and Activities Addressing Weapons of Mass Destruction Transfers to Non-State Armed Groups
Gabriele KRAATZ-WADSACK, WMD Branch, Office for Disarmament Affairs

International Law, Weapons and Non-State Armed Groups
Robbie SABEL, Hebrew University, Israel

Discussion

13:00 – 15:00 Light lunch at Delegates Restaurant, 8th Floor, building A

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15:00 – 16:45 — Instruments and Resources (part 2)
*The Arms Trade Treaty Initiative*
Brian WOOD, Amnesty International

*UNSC Res. 1373 and 1456: Scope and Implementation*
Jean-Philippe MORANGE, Counter Terrorism Executive Directorate of the UN Security Council (CTED)

*Existing UNODC Instruments in the Prevention of Weapons Transfers to Non-State Armed Groups*
Catherine VOLZ, UN Office on Drugs and Crime

*Discussion*

16:45 – 18:00 — Instruments, Groups and Addressing the Problem
*Non-State Armed Groups and Instruments: Distinguishing Groups and Matching Groups to Instruments*
Pablo POLICZER, The Armed Groups Project, Canada

*Discussion*

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