

Overview/Update of the four multilateral export controls regimes and Arms Trade Treaty

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Four Regimes

- Nuclear Suppliers Group
- Australia Group
- Missile Technology Control Regime
- Wassenaar Arrangement

Update: Security Concerns

- Non-State Actors
- Regional Security and Stability
 - North East
 - Middle East
 - South Asia

Licensing and Enforcement

- Transit and Transshipment
- Brokering
- Catchall
- Intangible and deemed exports

Focus

- Membership
 - India and China
- Updating of the lists
- Transparency
- Outreach Activities

Focus

- United Nations Security Council Resolutions
- Exchange of Information
- Industry
- Other Arrangements

Arms Trade Treaty

- On April 2, 2013- Passed in the UN General Assembly
- March 28, 2013- passage of this treaty was blocked in the Negotiations Conference
- on June 3, 2013-opened for signature
- As of August 19, 2013, 84 signatories and 4 ratifiers
- 90 days after the 50th instrument of ratification is deposited--Treaty will enter into force

Treaty's Arms Trade

Transfer

- Export
- Import
- Transit
- Trans-shipment
- brokering

Treaty

A preamble
principles
28 articles

Covers 8 categories of weapons

1. battle tanks
2. armoured combat vehicles,
3. large-calibre artillery systems
4. combat aircraft,
5. attack helicopters,
6. warships,
7. missiles and missile launchers,
8. and small arms and light weapons.

Other Features

- Balancing international and regional peace, security and stability (Article 26 of the UN Charter) and inherent right of all States to individual or collective self defence (Article 51 of the UN Charter)
- Non-discriminatory
- National Control System
- Mitigate the risk of diversion
- Record Keeping
- Arms embargo

Other Features

- International Cooperation and Assistance
- Relationship with other international agreements
- Conference of State Parties
- Secretariat
- Dispute Settlement
- Amendments

In Sum

- Export Controls balancing act continues
- Slow pace of changes in the four multilateral export controls regimes
- International organisations are becoming active in export controls
- Arms Trade Treaty has some, if not all the features of multilateral export control regimes and global export controls best practices
- Will ATT be the template of tomorrow's export controls?