

## DRAFT RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION: HOS IV/ B  
COMMITTEE: Heads of State  
TOPIC: Exploring concerted efforts to strengthen controls on the transfer of small arms and light weapons (SALW) - both illicit and state-sanctioned - into the region  
SPONSORS: Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Bahrain, Oman

**Expressing** a strong commitment by the Heads of States to the Arms Trade Treaty established in 2013,

**Deeply concerned** with the destabilizing potential that illicit transfer of small arms and light weapons within the region poses,

**Recognizing** the fact that the prevalence of border disputes and unmonitored borders pose a threat on the gigantic flow of SALW into and out of a state,

**Reminding** the committee that trade of small arms and light weapons fuels the rise of terrorism within the Arab League as well as in the international community, and

**Noting** the importance of state sovereignty and the rights of all members to govern and create laws without the interference of the Arab League,

**Be it hereby resolved that the League of Arab States:**

1. **Establishes** the Arab Communication on Regional Illicit SALW Transfer Agency (ACORISALWA) which would be responsible for,
  - a. The voluntary establishment of offices in member states which relay information gathered by the member states that may be at risk of losing SALW to non-state groups,
  - b. Allowing other member states to send their own experts to become involved in the research collected by the offices established with the ACORISALWA,
  - c. Working toward a joint agreement to ensure better border protection and security in individual states which will further ensure better regulation of illicit trade of small arms and light weapons;
2. **Establishes** a Cyber Security Team within the ACORISALWA, funding an advanced technological advisory group which would,

- a. Report back to ACORISALWA with newly developed research and methods to combat the Dark Web's ability to move illicit small arms and light weapons,
  - b. Encourage refrain from utilizing cryptocurrency as the involvement of cryptomarkets have made it more difficult to track illicit purchases,
  - c. Monitor Dark Web auctions that may be infiltrated by the states who are made aware of the potential movements of SALW,
  - d. Address cyber terrorism and take necessary steps to counteract the issue,
  - e. Be funded by Saudi Arabia and other willing member states;
3. **Ensures** state sovereignty is protected and that the actions of the committee are held under the same regulations and rules that the Member States are held according to the Charter of the Arab League;
4. **Highly recommends** the nations of the Arab league abide by the International Humanitarian Law (IHL) to protect the rights of civilian populations and reduce the risk of civilian casualties;
5. **Encourages** the implementation of mandatory serial numbers on SALWs in order to assist governmental abilities to track weapons if they were to be given to anyone that would cause harm to the Member States; and
6. **Promotes** limiting the procurement of legal SALW sales to state-sponsored entities,
  - a. Such as state police and military entities that would have the implied capacity to procure legal SALWs,
  - b. Further promotes that all states be able to appoint other entities that would be able to procure SALWs without League oversight.

SIGNATORIES: Egypt, Venezuela, Palestine