

## - Program for Arms Control, Disarmament and Conversion (PACD)

PACD is sponsored by the Monterey Institute of International Studies in California.. Its primary mission is to monitor current development and conduct research on the acquisition, export and buildup of conventional armaments including light weapons. It is cooperating with a number of international institutions on this matter.<sup>74</sup>

### Other Issues for Study

The issues noted hereunder concerning light weapons proliferation have either not been covered in the literature reviewed, have merely been touched upon, or require to go beyond where they are at present. This is by no means a comprehensive list.

### Defining the Issue -- The Jurisdictional Framework

The issue of arms control and domestic crime and where the light weapons proliferation issue resides within that context was discussed very briefly within the section on terminology and issues. An excellent framework in which to address some of these problems is outlined by Jasjit Singh.<sup>75</sup> He divides the determinants into three areas. First are *international measures* which would include: transparency and accountability in light weapons manufacture and transfer; controlling trans-national flows, including trade in the so-called black, gray and white markets; and, harmonizing state national policies to achieve common goals. Second are *national measures* which would include: improved border surveillance and control; stricter domestic gun control legislation and enforcement; and stronger and more effective measures against illegal possession and trafficking in small arms. Third are what he calls *norms and inhibitions* which in essence involves education and public dialogue on the detrimental effects of light weapons proliferation.

Similar in many ways is UNGA Document A/51/42, 1996<sup>76</sup>. It summarizes the more immediate actions that can be taken to combat illicit arms trafficking. The Guidelines contained in Annex I of that document suggest action at both the state and international level that can be taken.

At the state level:

- ensure adequate national legislation to control arms transfers;
- fight bribery and corruption in connection with arms transfers;

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<sup>74</sup> Joel Johnston, *Current Projects on Light Weapons*. London: British American Security Information Council, February 1996.

<sup>75</sup> Jasjit Singh (ed) *Light Weapons and International Security*. xi

<sup>76</sup>UN General Assembly. *Report of the Disarmament Commission*. UN General Assembly Document A/51/42, 1996, Annex I