

6. Study the possibilities for a targeted assistance programme on export controls for the Central Asian states.

7. Strengthen the co-operation in the field of destruction of SALW and other conventional weapons surpluses, as well as in facilitating the tracing of lines of supply.

CHAPTER IV - Political dialogue

The EU as such and its Member States will:

1. Intensify the political dialogue on disarmament, arms control and non-proliferation, in particular with countries in Asia and the Middle East.

2. Invite like-minded countries outside of the EU to join the effort to promote the universalisation of multilateral instruments.

3. Intensify and expand co-operation with candidate countries related to export control, with a view to improving their capacity to fulfil the requirements of common export control, and thus support in concrete terms their membership in all export control regimes. Raise more frequently export control issues with third countries in the context of political dialogue.

4. Promote the implementation of the relevant provisions of the UN Security Council resolutions and decisions.

5. Promote a strict implementation of UN, EU and OSCE arms embargoes.

The Council will consider the adoption of common positions and joint actions to assure the effective implementation of the listed measures.”