

- c) all states should ensure the existence of adequate laws to control legal possession of small arms and light weapons, to prevent illicit trafficking;
- d) all states should, if emerging from conflict, impose licensing requirements for civilian possession of small arms and light weapons;
- e) all states should exercise restraint when transferring surplus small arms and light weapons;
- f) all states should safeguard such weapons against theft;
- g) the United Nations should urge relevant organizations (e.g., Interpol) and all states to help identify groups engaged in illicit trafficking activities;
- h) all states should intensify cooperative efforts against illicit trafficking of these weapons;
- i) the United Nations should encourage regional or subregional moratoriums on the transfer and manufacture of these weapons;
- j) other regional organizations should use the work of the Organization of American States (OAS) in preparing a draft inter-American convention against the illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in these weapons;
- k) the United Nations should convene an international conference on illicit arms trafficking;
- l) the United Nations should initiate studies on establishing a system for marking all such weapons from the time of their manufacture, and on restricting the manufacture and trade of such weapons to authorized dealers;
- m) the United Nations should initiate a study on all aspects of the problem of ammunition and explosives.

Appendix I reproduces a joint appeal on small arms, issued at the conclusion of the first regional workshop of the Panel of Governmental Experts on Small Arms, held at Pretoria from 23 to 25 September 1996. Appendix II reproduces a statement on small arms, issued at the conclusion of the second regional workshop of the Panel of Governmental Experts on Small Arms held at San Salvador, on 16 and 17 January 1997. Appendix III reproduces a call upon Afghanistan, issued at the conclusion of the third regional workshop of the Panel of Governmental Experts on Small Arms, held at Kathmandu on 22 and 23 May 1997. Appendix IV lists the persons invited to the regular sessions and regional workshops of the Panel of Governmental Experts on Small Arms.

**I-10.** Organization of American States. *Model Regulations for the Control of the International Movement of Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition.* September 15, 1997.

These Model Regulations state that illicit international trade in firearms constitutes a specific risk to the security of member states. The purpose of these Model Regulations is to "set out for use on a multilateral basis, harmonized measures and a harmonized system of procedures for monitoring and controlling international movements of firearms, their parts and components and ammunition, in order to prevent their illegal trafficking and diversion to illegal uses and purposes." Several key definitions are offered, including the following terms: ammunition, certified copy, export, import, export attachment, export certificate, final recipient, firearm,