

8. TOWARDS A CANADIAN STRATEGY

The links between the interventions suggested for crime/injury prevention and peacebuilding are striking and suggest that more information sharing and coordination is essential. To summarize the common elements, these international agreements suggest that an international strategy to reduce death and injury caused by firearms should include:

- Data collection and sharing
- Measures to reduce the demand for firearms/small arms by striking at the root causes of crime/conflict including social/economic development and values building
- Measures to control the supply of firearms/small arms
- Enforcement
- Implementation.

Table 3: Recommended Interventions

	Crime/Injury Prevention	Peace building
DATA COLLECTION/RESEARCH		
- Surveillance information	X crime/mortality	X conflict/mortality
- Information re. supply/types of weapons	X	X
- Information re. approaches/best practices		
- Information re. compliance	X	X
ADDRESSING THE ROOT CAUSES OR DEMAND		
Social and Economic Development	X	X
Values building	X	X
- Counter culture of violence		
- Counter arming for self protection		
- Support conflict resolution and reconciliation		
OPPORTUNITY REDUCTION: REDUCE THE SUPPLY OF FIREARMS		
Control manufacturing	X	X
- Control production		
- Establish standards for production		
- Establish standards for identification/markings		
Control who has access to firearms	X	X
Controls on access to types of firearms	- Civilian Licensing - Prevent civilian possession of military weapons	- End User Certification - Embargoes