

Table 2. ROs' support for PoA commitments and icons used in this Handbook

Full text reference (PoA section/paragraph)*	Icon used	Examples of relevant activities
To establish or designate, as appropriate, a point of contact within subregional and regional organizations to act as liaison on matters relating to the implementation of the Programme of Action (II.24).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identified a POC (person or specific office) and provided contact details
To encourage negotiations, where appropriate, with the aim of concluding relevant legally binding instruments aimed at preventing, combating and eradicating the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects, and where they do exist to ratify and fully implement them (II.25).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concluded or are developing legally binding instruments (e.g. treaties, conventions, protocols) to explicitly counter illicit trafficking of small arms
To encourage the strengthening and establishing, where appropriate and as agreed by the States concerned, of moratoria or similar initiatives in affected regions or subregions on the transfer and manufacture of small arms and light weapons, and/or regional action programmes to prevent, combat and eradicate the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects, and to respect such moratoria, similar initiatives, and/or action programmes and cooperate with the States concerned in the implementation thereof, including through technical assistance and other measures (II.26).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Endorsed self-imposed limitations on transfers and production of small arms (e.g. embargoes) Supported moratoria implementation or similar initiatives (technical assistance/other)
To establish, where appropriate, subregional or regional mechanisms, in particular trans-border customs cooperation and networks for information-sharing among law enforcement, border and customs control agencies, with a view to preventing, combating and eradicating the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons across borders (II.27).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Established cross-border databases/information-sharing mechanisms Developed specific policies, standards, or best practice guidelines
To encourage, where needed, regional and subregional action on illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects in order to, as appropriate, introduce, adhere, implement or strengthen relevant laws, regulations and administrative procedures (II.28).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepared declarations, strategies, action plans, model legislation, or best practice guidelines on laws, regulations, or administrative procedures
To encourage States to promote safe, effective stockpile management and security , in particular physical security measures, for small arms and light weapons, and to implement, where appropriate, regional and subregional mechanisms in this regard (II.29).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed specific policies, standards, or best practice guidelines Provided equipment, software, technical assistance, or financial assistance, incl. supporting the building or reinforcing of armouries and storage containers or needs assessments
To support, where appropriate, national disarmament, demobilization and reintegration programmes, particularly in post-conflict situations, with special reference to the measures agreed upon in paragraphs 28 to 31 of this section (II.30).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provided financial or in-kind support
To encourage regions to develop, where appropriate and on a voluntary basis, measures to enhance transparency with a view to combating the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects (II.31).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed on measures to share information on small arms imports and exports (either publicly or among members only)
To encourage the relevant international and regional organizations and States to facilitate the appropriate cooperation of civil society , including non-governmental organizations, in activities related to the prevention, combat and eradication of the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects, in view of the important role that civil society plays in this area (II.40).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Routinely extend invitations to CSOs to participate in (or observe) meetings (e.g. working groups and technical committees) Signed cooperation or partnership agreements or MoUs with CSOs
States and appropriate international and regional organizations in a position to do so should, upon request of the relevant authorities, seriously consider rendering assistance, including technical and financial assistance where needed, such as small arms funds, to support the implementation of the measures to prevent, combat and eradicate the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects as contained in the Programme of Action (III.3).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Granted monetary assistance from own budget (including grants and loans) Established or managed small arms funds Provided direct technical guidance and support or in-kind assistance (e.g. lending equipment, secondment)

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States and international and regional organizations should, upon request by the affected States, consider assisting and promoting conflict prevention . Where requested by the parties concerned, in accordance with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations, States and international and regional organizations should consider promotion and assistance of the pursuit of negotiated solutions to conflicts, including by addressing their root causes (III.4).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consulted, participated in, or led the development of peace agreements, or sponsored or hosted dialogue among warring entities ■ Participated in or sponsored peacekeeping, observation, or monitoring missions ■ Established early warning mechanisms
States and international and regional organizations should, where appropriate, cooperate, develop and strengthen partnerships to share resources and information on the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects (III.5).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Developed or assisted the development of registers, rosters, or databases ■ Signed information-sharing or cooperative agreements
<p>With a view to facilitating implementation of the Programme of Action, States and international and regional organizations should seriously consider assisting interested States, upon request, in building capacities in areas including the development of appropriate legislation and regulations, law enforcement, tracing and marking, stockpile management and security, destruction of small arms and light weapons and the collection and exchange of information (III.6).</p> <p>Note: Commitments covered in this paragraph also pertain to actions addressed in PoA sec. II, para. 29, and sec. III, paras. 5 and 14.</p>	  	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Provided technical or advisory support to states to develop, amend, or harmonize legislation, incl. the development of model legislation or regulations ■ Hosted or sponsored meetings ■ Provided direct technical guidance and support or in-kind assistance (e.g. lending equipment, secondment) ■ Provided or financed equipment or software
Regional and international programmes for specialist training on small arms stockpile management and security should be developed. Upon request, States and appropriate international or regional organizations in a position to do so should support these programmes. The United Nations, within existing resources, and other appropriate international or regional organizations should consider developing capacity for training in this area (III.8).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Developed or sponsored policy, standards, or best practice guidelines ■ Developed, supported, or conducted specialist training
States undertake to cooperate with each other, including on the basis of the relevant existing global and regional legally binding instruments as well as other agreements and arrangements, and, where appropriate, with relevant international, regional and intergovernmental organizations, in tracing illicit small arms and light weapons, in particular by strengthening mechanisms based on the exchange of relevant information (III.11).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Developed or sponsored specific policies, standards, best practice guidelines, or model legislation, or hosted or supported training ■ Provided or supported the procurement of equipment or software
Upon request, States and appropriate international or regional organizations in a position to do so should provide assistance in the destruction or other responsible disposal of surplus stocks or unmarked or inadequately marked small arms and light weapons (III.14).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Provided equipment, software, or technical or financial assistance ■ Destroyed weapons and ammunition ■ Developed or sponsored specific policies, model legislation, standards, best practice guidelines, or training
Upon request, States and appropriate international or regional organizations in a position to do so should provide assistance to combat the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons linked to drug trafficking, transnational organized crime and terrorism (III.15).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Directly addressed issues linked with small arms (trafficking of drugs and other commodities, piracy, terrorism, organized crime)
Particularly in post-conflict situations, and where appropriate, the relevant regional and international organizations should support , within existing resources, appropriate programmes related to the disarmament, demobilization and reintegration of ex-combatants (III.16).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Supported DDR and related programmes ■ Provided in-kind support or technical expertise for DDR or related programmes
States, regional and subregional and international organizations, research centres, health and medical institutions, the United Nations system, international financial institutions and civil society are urged, as appropriate, to develop and support action-oriented research aimed at facilitating greater awareness and better understanding of the nature and scope of the problems associated with the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons in all its aspects (III.18).		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Prepared or sponsored research on PoA-related themes

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