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Voluntary Trust Fund

To All Representatives of States Parties, Signatory States and Observer States and Private Sector Donors.

CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ATT VOLUNTARY TRUST FUND

Dear Colleagues,

As you will recall the Second Conference of States Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty decided on the establishment of the Voluntary Trust Fund (VTF) to operate under its Terms of Reference.

The VTF is funded exclusively through voluntary contributions. There have been regular calls for voluntary contributions to the VTF to support projects approved by the VTF Selection Committee, and thus far, the VTF has received a total of USD 13.8 million in voluntary contributions.
The funding received thus far has supported ten VTF projects cycles of 2017-2026. As of October 2026, the VTF has funded 119 projects, a number of which are indeed still in the process of implementation.

As expressed in this VTF Tenth anniversary video, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all States that have contributed to the VTF so far for their generous contributions. I would also like to invite States and private sector donors that are in a position to do so, to contribute to the VTF in order to maintain the momentum of the Fund and to ensure the long-term sustainability of this facility for international assistance.

To facilitate voluntary financial contributions to the VTF, I attach to this communication the following documents:

a. Call for Voluntary Contributions to the VTF.

b. VTF Administrative Rules.

c. VTF Standard Donor Agreement.

Any contributions that States are able to provide will greatly benefit the VTF and support the implementation of the ATT.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew the assurance of my highest consideration.

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