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Twelfth Conference of States Parties

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CSP12 Provisional Annotated Programme of Work

The Twelfth Conference of States Parties (CSP12) to the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) will follow a rolling agenda, under which, once a session has concluded, the President of CSP12 may proceed to the next agenda item. Time indications on the agenda are provisional and delegations are requested to remain prepared for adjustments as determined by the President.¹

DAY 1: MONDAY, 24 AUGUST 2026	
<i>Morning session (10:00 – 13:00 hours)</i>	
1. Opening session of the Twelfth Conference of States Parties (CSP12)	
	<i>The President of CSP12, Ms. Tsholofelo TSHEOLE, will open the Conference, after which invited distinguished guests will address the plenary.</i>
2. Adoption of the Agenda	
	<i>The President will present the provisional agenda for CSP12, following which the Conference will be invited to consider and adopt it.</i>
3. Organization of Work	
	<i>The President will deliver a statement concerning the Rules of Procedure, the Financial Rules, the Secretary of the Conference, the election of officers (if required) and delegations' information. The President will also provide an overview of the organization of work for the week, in accordance with the rolling agenda.</i>
4. General Debate	
	<i>Delegations of States Parties, Signatory States and other Observer States will be invited to deliver statements of a general nature. Representatives of international and regional organisations, civil society and industry will likewise be invited to deliver general statements. To facilitate efficient conduct of proceedings, general statements will be</i>

¹ This flexible approach will not apply to agenda item 9 regarding the Diversion Information Exchange Forum (DIEF) This is fixed on Wednesday afternoon because of special arrangements associated with that session. If agenda item 8 is concluded ahead of schedule, the President may proceed with agenda item 10.

	<i>limited to a maximum of four minutes. Delegations are kindly requested to submit their statements in advance to info@thearmstradetreaty.org to facilitate interpretation.</i>
Afternoon session (15:00 – 18:00 hours)	
-	General Debate cont'd
	<i>The general debate will continue with statements limited to a maximum of four minutes per delegation.</i>
DAY 2: TUESDAY, 25 AUGUST 2026	
Morning session (10:00 – 13:00 hours)	
-	General Debate cont'd
	<i>The general debate will continue with statements limited to a maximum of four minutes per delegation, if necessary.</i>
5.	Treaty Implementation
	<i>Pursuant to Article 17 (4) of the Treaty, the Conference will exchange views on Treaty implementation, including matters relating to national control systems, inter-agency cooperation, treaty prohibitions, export and export assessments, import, transit and trans-shipment, brokering, diversion and record keeping.</i> <i>The Chair of the Working Group on Effective Treaty Implementation (WGETI) will present a report on the work conducted by the Working Group between CSP11 and CSP12. The Working Group's recommendations include endorsing additional guidance on the implementation of Article 7 (4) and inter-agency cooperation, continuing discussions on issues relating to scope, national control lists and the role of industry, and further consideration of issues related to the implementation of Articles 6 & 7.</i>
Afternoon session (15:00 – 18:00 hours)	
-	Treaty Implementation cont'd
	<i>The exchange of views on Treaty implementation and consideration of the Working Group's report will continue, if necessary.</i>
6.	Transparency and Reporting
	<i>The Conference will consider matters pertaining to the Treaty's transparency and reporting obligations. The session will commence with a presentation by the ATT Secretariat on the current status of reporting under the Treaty.</i> <i>Following this, the Chair of the Working Group on Transparency and Reporting will report on the work conducted by the Working Group between CSP11 and CSP12 and present the</i>

Working Group's recommendations. These include support for the creation of an informal sounding board group to provide technical input and feedback on the Secretariat's reporting and information-exchange support initiatives and tools, as well as encouraging regional, sub-regional and bilateral meetings to facilitate the exchange of information on diversion.

DAY 3: WEDNESDAY, 26 AUGUST 2026

Morning session (10:00 – 13:00 hours)

7. Treaty Universalization

Pursuant to Article 17(4) of the Treaty, the Conference will exchange views on Treaty universalization. The session will begin with a presentation by the ATT Secretariat on the status of participation in the Treaty. The Co-chairs of the Working Group on Treaty Universalization (WGTU) will then report on the work conducted by the Working Group between CSP11 and CSP12 and present its recommendations. These include encouraging engagement with non-States Parties that have expressed their intent to join the Treaty as well as signatory States, and reflecting on the role, Terms of Reference and workplan of the Working Group in the context of the discussions on a five-year strategy for the ATT.

8. Gender-related commitments

The ATT Gender Focal Points will share updates on key achievements, challenges, and lessons learned in relation to their work, with the aim of strengthening transparency, institutional memory, and the continuous advancement of gender-related commitments under the ATT. As part of their update, the Gender Focal Points will convene a panel focusing on the role of women parliamentarians in advancing the universalization and effective implementation of the ATT.

Afternoon session (15:00 – 18:00 hours)

9. Diversion Information Exchange Forum (States Parties and signatory States only)

During this afternoon session, the Diversion Information Exchange Forum (DIEF) will convene its seventh meeting since its establishment by CSP6. The DIEF is a sui generis body for informal voluntary exchanges between States Parties and signatory States concerning concrete cases of detected or suspected diversion, and for sharing operational diversion-related information. In accordance with the DIEF Terms of Reference, the session is only open to representatives of States Parties and signatory States. The agenda and other logistical arrangements for the DIEF session will be communicated to States Parties and signatory States, as appropriate.

DAY 4: THURSDAY, 27 AUGUST 2026*Morning session (10:00 – 13:00 hours)***10. Draft Five-Year Strategy for the Arms Trade Treaty**

During this session, the Conference will consider the proposed draft elements for a five-year strategy for the ATT. To initiate this discussion, the Extended Bureau will provide a briefing on the development of these draft elements.

11. International Assistance

The Conference will exchange views on international assistance, including requests and offers for international assistance as presented by States Parties.

To initiate this discussion, the ATT Secretariat will present an update on the status of operation of the Sponsorship Programme, including funds received and delegates supported. The Conference will also consider and adopt the proposed amendments to the Sponsorship Programme's Administrative Guidelines.

Following this, the Chair of the Voluntary Trust Fund (VTF) Selection Committee and the ATT Secretariat will report on the VTF, including an update on the Committee's proposal to update the VTF Terms of Reference, as well as the amended VTF Administrative Rules. The Conference will also hear testimonies from a diverse group of VTF beneficiary States on how the VTF has supported their national Treaty implementation efforts.

*Afternoon session (15:00 – 18:00 hours)***12. Matters pertaining to the Secretariat**

The Conference will consider the ATT Secretariat's and the Management Committee's reports pertaining to their work during the period under review, including any recommendations submitted to the Conference.

The Conference will also consider and adopt the draft proposal on a code of conduct for meetings of the Arms Trade Treaty.

Furthermore, the Conference will consider and adopt the ATT Secretariat budget for the financial year 2027.

13. Matters pertaining to Financial Contributions

The Conference will exchange views on the status of financial contributions to ATT budgets and how this could be improved.

DAY 5: FRIDAY, 28 AUGUST 2026	
<i>Morning session (10:00 – 13:00 hours)</i>	
14. Matters pertaining to the Thirteenth Conference of States Parties (CSP13)	
	<i>The Conference will consider the following matters:</i> <i>a. Preparations for the Thirteenth Conference of States Parties (CSP13) including the adoption of the budget for the next ordinary session in accordance with Article 17(3) of the Treaty.</i> <i>b. Election of the President and vice-Presidents of CSP13 in accordance with Rule 9(1) of the ATT Rules of Procedure.</i> <i>c. Appointment of the members of the VTF Selection Committee in accordance with Article 6 of the VTF Terms of Reference.</i>
15. Any Other Business	
	<i>This item provides delegations with an opportunity to raise matters not otherwise covered the agenda presented. Delegations intending to do so are kindly requested to inform the President in advance.</i>
16. Consideration and Adoption of the Final Report of CSP12	
	<i>The President will present the draft Final Report of CSP12. The Conference will then consider the report for adoption.</i>
	<i>Afternoon session (15:00 – 18:00 hours)</i>
- Consideration and Adoption of the Final Report of CSP12 cont'd	
	<i>Consideration of the Final Report will continue, if necessary.</i>
17. Closure of CSP12	
	<i>Before closing CSP12, the President will deliver concluding remarks and invite the President elect of CSP13 to address the plenary. Following this, the President will declare CSP12 closed.</i>
