



# Addressing Firearms Trafficking in the Context of Fighting International Terrorism ↳ A Criminal Justice Approach

CTC Open Briefing on the nexus between international terrorism and  
transnational organized crime

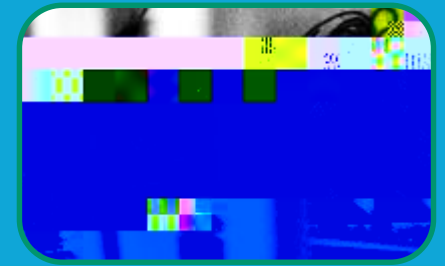
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Cybercrime



Illegal Fishing & Wildlife



Human Trafficking



Drug Trafficking



Terrorism



Violent Crime

## Procurement of illicit firearms

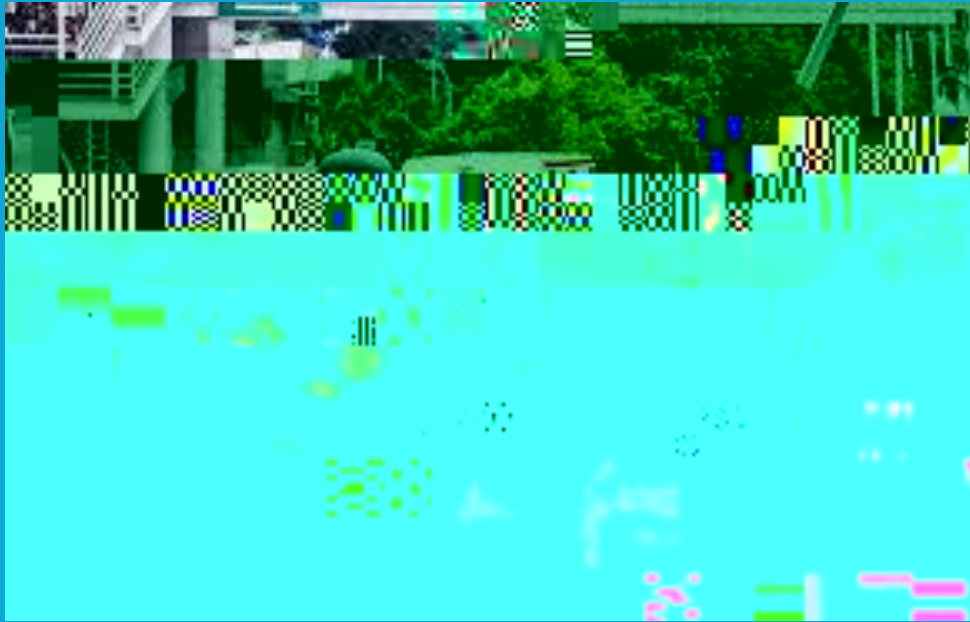
Perpetrators exploit established networks and connections as well as trafficking channels and modalities, including pre-existing or new links to organized crime groups, to gain access to weapons

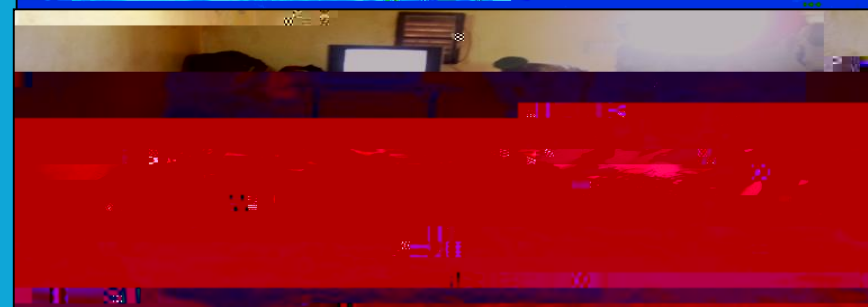
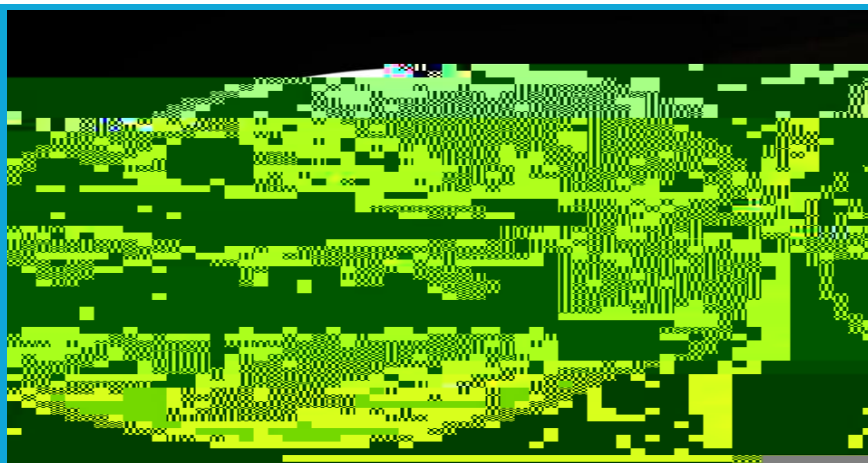
## Level of violence

Firearms increase the destructive power and violence level of organized criminal and terrorist groups

## Financing of activities

Organized criminal and terrorist groups increasingly engage in transnational organized criminal activities, including firearms trafficking, to finance their terrorist activities





# Sources of Firearms Acquired by OC and Terrorists

- Domestic sources
  - Leakage from factories/surplus stocks
  - Loss of control over government stocks
  - Theft
  - Firearm conversion and re-activation
- International arms trade
  - Diversion from legal transfers
  - Interception of legal transfers

# Common challenges in countering firearms trafficking

- Weak legislative and institutional frameworks









## - Technical Assistance Tools

- Comprehensive training curriculum on firearms
- Specialised training courses

## - Issue Papers

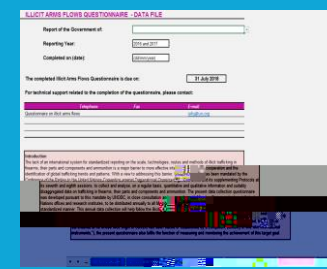
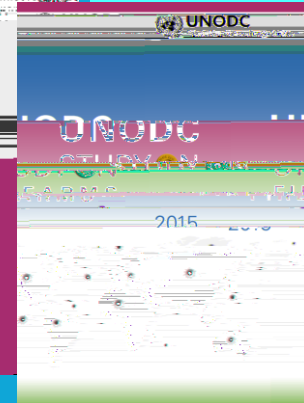
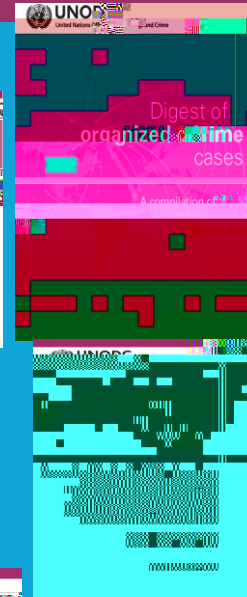
- Firearms Protocol and the ATT
- Comparative Analysis and synergies between global firearms and other conventional arms instruments

## - Operational Tools

- MLA Request Writer tool
- Comprehensive record keeping system (new)

## - Monitoring illicit arms flows

- Illicit Arms Flows Questionnaire (new)
- Template tool for front line officers for recording firearms seizure



Thank you!

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