TANZANIA DELEGATION CONTRIBUTION

Mr President

Thank you for giving Tanzania the flow as it is my first time to give contribution in this CSP4 to the ATT. On behalf of my fellow Tanzanian delegate, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you and the secretariat for the commendable job you are doing.

Mr President,

The Government of Tanzania as a signatory to the ATT is already addressing the problem of arms proliferation through not only assenting to the various international and regional treaties and protocols namely UN Programme of Action, The Nairobi Declaration, Nairobi Protocol and SADCC Declaration but also through various initiatives and programmes that are focusing on the following areas:

- 1. Public sensitisation and awareness on proleferation of illicit firearms and ammunitions.
- 2. Control and management of the existing stockpile.
- 3. Harmonisation of the laws and regulations whereby at the moment we have a new law regarding control of arms and ammunitions that is The Firearms and Ammunitions Control Act, 2015 and its regulations of 2016, Armanent Control Act that has created The Armament Control Advisory Board mandated with regulating, controlling and advising on arms imports and acquisitions.
- 4. Participating and sometimes organising national and regional operations regarding firearms.

- 5. Destruction of illicit and obsolete firearms.
- 6. The firearms marking programme that includes state and civilian owned firearms.

Mr President

As financial assistance is crucial towards ratification and ATT implementation, the Tanzania delegation is therefore requesting to be considered by being financially assisted in order to reach the point of ratification and later ATT implementation. We need to undertake capacity building, sensitisation and awareness, workshop and seminas about the importance and advantages of the ATT to stakeholders, civil societies and relevant government bodies etc which are relevant in this process towards ratification.

Mr President,

I thank you very much for availing Tanzania delegation with this opportunity.