



## **PARLIAMENTARY FORUM WORKSHOP ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ARMS TRADE TREATY (ATT)**

**DATE:** 1 OCTOBER 2014, OUAGADOUGOU, BURKINA FASO

**VENU:** ROOM OF THE COMMITTEE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE (CAED)

Presented by : Alain D. BOTRE  
Programme officer

## **BACKGROUND**

In order to support State Parties to the Arms Trade Treaty, ATT in their implementation efforts, Parliamentary Forum on Small Arms and Light Weapons, in collaboration with United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) through United Nations Regional Office for Disarmament and Peace in Africa (UNREC) organized a workshop on ATT implementation in Burkina Faso on the 1 October 2014.

## **PARTICIPATION**

A total of 39 people attended the event (attached is the list of participants), 17 Members of Parliament (including the vice-president of the Commission), the Permanent Secretaries of the National Commission on Small Arms and of the High Authority for the Import of Conventional Weapons (both belonging to the Office of the Prime Minister). It was also attended by substantive parliamentary staff that follows security issues. In addition, the press from the Parliament was present, which will serve to pass on the message to other Members of Parliament through their TV channel and written press.

## **NARRATIVE REPORT**

All the presentations (four in total) were made by the staff of UNREC.

**Mr. Leonardo Lara**, Deputy Director of UNREC, provided a brief introduction of the ATT.

He highlighted the importance of the treaty by bringing Parliamentarians to talk about the issue at hand and to provide them Article by Article, the requirements of the ATT.

In his second presentation, he mentioned the key obligations of States called upon in the treaty as well as recommendations to States to ease the implementation of the ATT.

The two last presentations made by **Mr. Alain Botre**, Programme Officer, raised a concern regarding ATT compared to other relevant global instruments and the role of parliamentarians in the implementation of the ATT.

The presenter compares ATT to United Nations Action Plan on Small Arms and Light Weapons (PoA), International instrument of Tracing (IIT), the United Nations Protocol on fire guns and the ECOWAS Convention on Small Arms and Light Weapons.

In the last presentation he pointed out the key role that parliamentarians can play to bring executive to sign and ratify the treaty.

Overall the activity went rather well, among the concerns raised by the Parliamentarians was the need to pass the message to a broader audience beyond

the CAED and the need for coordination between the Executive and Legislative branches for implementation and legislation on these issues.

List of participants provided by Honorable Drissa SANOGO.

**Les députés**

- 1- SANOGO Drissa
- 2- BENON Mamadou
- 3- YAMEOGO Rabi
- 4- ZERBO S. Mathias
- 5- SAMBARE Palguim
- 6- KYEMTORE/KAMBOU Yéri Adèle
- 7- SORGHO T. Victor
- 8- BAMOGO Lallo amado
- 9- ZONGO O. Sylvain
- 10- OUEDRAOGO Rasmané
- 11- TAMBOURA Hamadoum
- 12- THIOMBIANO Michel
- 13- OUOBA Benoit Bendi
- 14- SAWADOGO Yacouba
- 15- LANKOUANDÉ Folga Ildevert
- 16- PARIMANI Sabdano
- 17- KOUSSOUBE B. Celestin

**Les participants de marque**

- 1- Colonel Major Dibana ZERBO, SP/HACIAU
- 2- Colonel Raoul Christophe TABSOBA, SP/CNLPAL
- 3- M. Dieudonné B. KINI. PNUD
- 4- Dr. Alain BOTTRE. UNREC
- 5- M. Leonardo LARA. UNREC

**Le personnel de l'Assemblée nationale**

- 1- SAWADOGO P. Benjamin, Assistent parlementaire (ass. p)
- 2- OUEDRAOGO Seydou ass. p
- 3- SAME Fulbert. Administrateur parlementaire (ad. p)
- 4- KABRE S. Hypolite ad. p
- 5- KAMBIRE B. Albet. ad. p
- 6- LOLO Mata
- 7- LANKOUANDÉ Delphine ad.p
- 8- BORO Edvige. ad.p
- 9- PAFADNAME Florentine Ad. P.

**Presse**

- 1- NACOULMA Anatole télévision du parlement
- 2- KERE Ana Lucie télévision nationale
- 3- BAZYOMO Hermance. Presse écrite du parlement
- 4- PIGA Paulin photographe du parlement
- 5- TRAORE Ousmane Diapo.

**Sécurité**

- 1- TRAORE Siaka. policier
- 2- PALLE Omer. policier