

Japan's Confidence-building Measures in the field of Conventional Arms

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

1. Enhancing Transparency

| Field | Actions | From | Latest | Description |
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| Conventional Arms | Submission of Reports under UN Register of Conventional Arms | 1992 | 2008 | Japan is one of the founders of the UN Register and has submitted reports every year since 1992. |
| Military Expenditures | UN Instrument for Reporting Expenditures | 1982 | 2008 | Japan has been submitting reports since 1982. |
| SALW | Submission of National Reports on implementation of the UN SALW Programme of Action | 2003 | 2010 | Reports were submitted in 2003, 2005, 2007, 2008 and 2010. |
| CCW | Submission of Annual Reports on the Article 13, Amended Protocol II of CCW | 1999 | 2009 | Japan has been submitting reports every year since 1999. |
| Anti-personal Mines | Submission of Reports on the Article 7 of the Ottawa Convention | 1999 | 2009 | Japan has been submitting reports every year since 1999. (http://disarmament.un.org:8080/MineBan.nsf) |

2. Database development

| Region | Country | Date Appr. | Project | Funding channel | Implementing Agency | Description |
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| - | - | 1991 | Database for UN Register of Conventional Arms | - | - | Japan provided financial assistance and human resources to establish and develop database for conventional arms register. |
| - | - | 2003 Apr. | DATARI's Database on SALW | UN Trust Fund for Global and Regional Disarmament Activities | UN Regional Center Latin America and the Caribbean | Improvement of the database by developing a list of institutions or contact points regarding the SALW issue in cooperation with UNIDIR, the University of Pittsburgh, SIPRI and ISN. |
| - | - | 2005 Oct. | CASA SALW Database Development | UN Trust Fund for Global and Regional Disarmament Activities | DDA / UN Regional Center Latin America and the Caribbean | The Project envisages the establishment and continuous operation of an internet-based database regarding basic SALW documents, national reports of the member-states, activities or projects being implemented by CASA etc. |

3. Others (including major international conferences, seminars) *This is not an exhaustive list.

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| Asia | Japan | 1992 Jun. 1994 Jun. 1997 May | Tokyo Workshop on UN Register of Conventional Arms | - | - | Government of Japan hosted a series of workshop to follow-up UN Register. |
| Africa | South Africa | 1996 Sep. | Workshop on Small Arms | UN Trust Fund for Global and Regional Disarmament Activities | - | Government of Japan took the initiative hosting workshops to support activities of the Panel of Governmental Experts on Small Arms. |
| North America | El Salvador | 1997 Jan. | Workshop on Small Arms | - | - | Government of Japan took the initiative hosting workshops to support activities of the Panel of Governmental Experts on Small Arms. Co-sponsored by Japan, Belgium, Finland and others. |
| Asia | Nepal | 1997 May | Workshop on Small Arms | - | - | Government of Japan took the initiative hosting workshops to support activities of the Panel of Governmental Experts on Small Arms. Co-sponsored by Japan, Belgium, Finland and others. |
| Asia | Japan | 1997 Jun. 1998 Sep. 1999 May 2000 Jun. | Tokyo Workshop on Small Arms | - | - | Government of Japan took the initiative hosting workshops to support activities of the Panel/Group of Governmental Experts on Small Arms. |
| Asia | Japan | 1997 Mar. | Tokyo Conference Landmines | - | - | Government of Japan hosted the Conference to discuss international cooperation for demining, victim assistance and development of demining technology. |
| Asia | Japan | 2000 Jun. | Tokyo Workshop on the UN Register of Conventional Arms | - | - | Government of Japan together with University of Bradford, Japan Institute of International Affairs organized the Workshop to discuss further development of the UN register of Conventional Arms. |
| Asia | Cambodia | 2001 Feb. | Seminar on SALW | - | - | Japan, Canada, Cambodia co-hosted international conference on small arms proliferation and trade in the Asia Pacific. UN partially sponsored the conference. |
| Asia | Japan | 2002 Jan. | Tokyo Follow-up Meeting of the UN Conference on the Illicit Trade in SALW in All its Aspects | - | - | Government of Japan hosted the follow-up seminar in Tokyo after the UN conference on the illicit SALW in all its aspects. |
| Africa | Ghana Namibia | 2002 Mar. 2002 Jun. | UN Sub-Regional Workshop on Transparency in Armament | - | - | Focused on further development of the UN Register of Conventional Arms and UN reporting military expenditure for African countries on the occasion of tenth anniversary of establishment of UN registration system. Co-sponsored by Japan, Canada, Netherlands and Germany. |
| Latin America | Peru | 2002 Dec. | UN Sub-Regional Workshop on Transparency in Armament | - | - | Focused on further development of the UN Register of Conventional Arms and UN reporting military expenditure for Latin America countries on the occasion of tenth anniversary of establishment of UN registration system. Co-sponsored by Japan, Canada, Netherlands and Germany. |

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| Asia | Japan | 2003 Jan. | The Pacific Islands Countries Regional Seminar on Illicit SALW on All Its Aspects | - | - | Government of Japan hosted the seminar in Tokyo to follow-up the regional implementation of the POA in the Pacific Islands. |
| Asia | Indonesia | 2003 Feb. | UN Workshop on the Illicit Trade in SALW | UN Trust Fund for Global and Regional Disarmament Activities | UN Regional Center Asia/Pacific | Co-chaired by UN Regional Center, Japan and Indonesia. Discussed main SALW issues in ASEAN countries at dawn of UN Biannual Meeting. |
| Asia | Indonesia | 2003 Feb. | UN Sub-Regional Workshop on Transparency in Arms and Ammunition | UN Trust Fund for Global and Regional Disarmament Activities | UN Regional Center Asia/Pacific | Focused on further development of the UN Register of Conventional Arms and UN reporting military expenditure for ASEAN countries on the occasion of tenth anniversary of establishment of UN registration system. |
| Asia | Tokyo | 2004 Mar. | Tokyo Seminar on Landmines | - | - | Hosted by the Government of Japan. Seminar was held to review current mine action activities and explore more effective ways of assistance. |
| Asia | Kazakhstan | 2004 Mar. | UN Regional Meeting on SALW in Central Asia | UN Trust Fund for Global and Regional Disarmament Activities | UN Regional Center Asia/Pacific | Hosted by Kazakhstan, sponsored by Japan, organized by UN Regional Center. Being discussed main SALW issues in Central Asian countries. Distributed Communiqué of 5 Central Asian States during the Seminar. |
| Asia | Fiji | 2004 Aug. | UN Regional Seminar on SALW for the South Pacific | UN Trust Fund for Global and Regional Disarmament Activities | UN Regional Center Asia/Pacific | Hosted by Fiji, co-sponsored by Japan and Australia, organized by the UN Regional Center to discuss main SALW issues in PIF countries. |
| Asia | China | 2005 Apr. | UN Workshop on SALW in Beijing | UN Trust Fund for Global and Regional Disarmament Activities | UN Regional Center Asia/Pacific | Co-sponsored by Japan, China and Switzerland, organized by UN Regional Center. The seminar is to be focused on the SALW issues in ASEAN and Central Asian countries. |
| Asia | Thailand | 2006 May | UN Workshop on SALW in Bangkok | UN Trust Fund for Global and Regional Disarmament Activities | UN Regional Center Asia/Pacific | Co-sponsored by Japan, Thailand, Canada and UNDP, organized by UN Regional Center. The Seminar is to be focused on the SALW issues in South and South-East Asian countries. |
| Asia | Japan | 2007 Mar. | Tokyo Workshop on SALW | - | - | Government of Japan hosted the Workshop focused on demand factors, projects on the ground and transfer control of SALW |
| UN | USA | 2007 Apr. | Workshop on Resolution 61/89 | UN Trust Fund for Global and Regional Disarmament Activities | UNODA | Government of Japan supported the Workshop to exchange information on conventional arms imports, exports and transfers |
| Asia | Japan | 2007 Dec. | Symposium on Mine Action in connection with the 10th Anniversary of the Ottawa Convention | - | - | Government of Japan and Association for Aid and Relief, a Japanese NGO, co-hosted the Symposium to identify achievements made since Ottawa Convention and to exchange views on challenges ahead in mine action sector |
| Africa | Togo | 2008 Mar. | Regional Workshop in West and Central Africa for Capacity-Building for the Implementation of the International Tracing Instrument | UN Trust Fund for Global and Regional Disarmament Activities | UNODA | Government of Japan supported the regional Workshop to build capacity for the implementation of the International Tracing Instrument for West and Central African Countries organized by UNODA |

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| Asia | Japan | 2009 Feb. | The Asia Pacific Regional Conference on an Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) | - | - | Government of Japan and Oxfam, an international NGO, co-organized the conference on ATT in Asia and Pacific region to promote understanding of ATT and reinvigorate the momentum for further discussion |
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