LATVIA

Was an annual report submitted by 31 May 2019? [Yes]

Was the Annual Report made public? [Yes]

Was a ‘nil’ report submitted for exports or imports in 2018? [No]

Was data withheld for ‘commercial sensitivity/national security-related’ reasons? [No]

What type of report was submitted? [ATT reporting template]

Good practices:
Latvia provided clear, disaggregated information on its reported exports and imports in 2018.
In most cases Latvia provided both the Number and Value of SALW exports and imports.
Latvia specified which currency (euro) is used for reported values of transfers, after not doing so in its 2017 report.

Room for improvement:
Latvia did not provide descriptions of items or comments on any of its exports and did so for only a select few of its imports.

Reporting practice summary - 2018
Latvia’s reporting changed slightly in its 2018 annual report.
Latvia did not report exports of major conventional weapons or light weapons, though it reported Actual Numbers and Values of small arms exports.
Latvia reported Actual Numbers of major conventional weapons imports and Actual Numbers and Values of SALW imports.

Transfer summary - 2018: Export Data
• Latvia reported exports to two ATT States Parties in 2018: three rifles and carbines to Estonia and 154 rifles and carbines to Lithuania.
• The total value of small arms exports was €366,502 (US$432,706).1

Transfer summary - 2018: Import Data
• Latvia reported imports from 14 countries in 2018. Of these, 11 were ATT States Parties and three were Signatories.
• Latvia reported two imports of major conventional weapons: 23 armoured combat vehicles from the United Kingdom and 31 large-calibre artillery systems from Austria, with the United States as the state of origin for the latter.
• Latvia reported the import of a total of 8,632 SALW items with a total value of €804,658 (US$950,009),2 covering seven sub-categories. Values were not included for all reported SALW imports. In terms of numbers, the majority were revolvers and self-loading pistols (47 per cent) and assault rifles (31 per cent).
• In terms of numbers, the main exporters of SALW to Latvia were Austria (46 per cent) and Germany (45 per cent). Latvia reported different states of origin for a number of SALW imports.

2 Ibid.