

ALBANIA

Was an Annual Report submitted by 31 May 2017?	Yes
Was the report made public?	Yes
Was a nil report submitted for exports or imports in 2016?	No
Was data withheld for 'commercial sensitivity/national security-related' reasons?	No



Good practice:

Albania provided comments on transfer of exports and imports reported in 2016, describing the end use/r. For example, the 20,000 AK-47 assault rifles exported to Iraq in 2016 were reported to be a donation to the international coalition against Islamic State.



Room for improvement:

Albania aggregated information in several places in its 2016 Annual Report. For example, when asked to provide information on the 'State of Origin (if not exporter),' in several cases it reported only 'Different Countries'. Similarly under 'Description of Items' for exports of SALW, it reported only 'Different types' on several occasions.

Transfer summary - 2016: Export Data

- Albania reported exports to three countries in 2016, but was not the country of origin for exports to Austria (different countries) or Bulgaria (China).
- Iraq was the only non-State Party destination for which Albania reported exporting arms in 2016.
- Albania reported exports of 27,088 SALW items, covering five sub-categories. The largest deal was for 20,000 AK-47 assault rifles to international coalition forces in Iraq.

Reporting practice summary - 2016

Albania reported **Actual Numbers** of exports and imports for SALW in 2016. It did not report any exports or imports of major weapons in 2016.

Albania's reporting practice has not changed since 2015. The information provided in its 2016 Annual Report did match the check boxes on the front page of its report, whereas in 2015 it checked neither 'yes' nor 'no' for 'nil' reports, but provided data on major weapons and SALW.

Transfer summary - 2016: Import Data

- Albania reported imports from seven countries in 2016.
- All imports were from ATT States Parties or Signatories.
- Main importers were Italy (42 per cent of reported import items), Slovakia (21 per cent) and Austria (16 per cent).
- Albania reported imports of 1,730 SALW items in 2016. The largest deal was for 376 semi-automatic rifles from Italy for the civilian market/state police.