SWEDEN

Was an Annual Report submitted by 31 May 2017?  No – missed deadline

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?  Yes

Good practice:
Swedish made extensive use of ‘Section C: Voluntary National Categories’ to report data under 25 categories in the EU Common Military List. It reported Actual exports of these items and the aggregate values of its exports to each importing country.1

Sweden provided descriptions of items for all exports reported in Sections A and B, and for its sole reported import.

Room for improvement:
Sweden withheld some data from its Annual Report for ‘commercial sensitivity/national security-related’ reasons. It did indicate what information it had kept classified.

Sweden did not provide any comments on transfers in 2016.

Transfer summary - 2016: Export Data

• Sweden reported exports of arms under UN Registry Categories I-VIII to 12 countries in 2016.

• Of those, nine were ATT States Parties, two were Signatories and one (Canada) was a non-member.

• For major weapons, Sweden reported the export of 82 armoured combat vehicles to Norway, one combat aircraft to Hungary, and an unspecified number of missiles and missile launchers to Brazil, Ireland and Lithuania.

• Sweden reported light weapon exports to seven countries but kept the amounts of each classified.

• Under voluntary national categories, Sweden also provided data covering 25 categories of the EU Common Military List. Under ML1 items, which include small arms, it reported exports worth SEK18m (US$2m).2 The majority of ML1 exports by value were to United Arab Emirates (38 per cent), Netherlands (35 per cent) and Lithuania (11 per cent).

Transfer summary - 2016: Import Data

• Sweden only reported one import in 2016, an unspecified number of missiles and missile launchers from the United Kingdom.

1 Of the items reported by Sweden under voluntary national categories, only ML1 items (smooth-bore weapons with a calibre of less than 20mm, other arms and automatic weapons with a calibre of 12.7mm (calibre 0.50 inches) or less) will be considered for analysis here, as Sweden indicated in its report that these items corresponded to Small Arms (aggregated).