ALBANIA

Was an Annual Report submitted by 31 May 2018? Yes
Was the Annual Report made public? Yes
Was a 'nil' report submitted for exports or imports in 2017? No
Was data withheld for 'commercial sensitivity/national security-related' reasons? No

Good practices:
Albania provided clear, disaggregated information on its exports and imports in 2017.
Albania provided comments on exports and imports reported for 2017, describing the end-use and/or end-user.
Albania provided descriptions of items transferred.

Room for improvement:
Albania indicated on the front page of its 2017 Annual Report that it did not include its national definitions of categories of arms reported, but it made reference to the EU Common Military List in Annex 2. It did not report on any voluntary national categories section for either exports or imports.

Reporting practice summary - 2017
Albania’s reporting practice changed slightly in its 2017 Annual Report. In 2017 it reported Actual Numbers of exports and imports for SALW and major conventional weapons. It reported both exports and imports of major weapons in 2017, whereas in 2016 it did not report either.
The information provided in its 2017 Annual Report did not match the check boxes on the front page of its report, as it checked ‘no’ for both annual reports on exports and imports but provided data on both major conventional weapons and SALW.

Transfer summary - 2017: Export Data
• Albania reported exports to two countries in 2017. Of these, one was an ATT State Party and one was a non-member (Jordan).
• Albania reported exports of two major conventional weapons items, one battle tank and one armoured combat vehicle, both to Jordan for museum purposes. China was the state of origin for the armoured combat vehicle transfer.
• Albania reported exports of 31 SALW items. These were part of one transaction for 31 heavy machine guns to Bulgaria. The state of origin was China.

Transfer summary - 2017: Import Data
• Albania reported imports from seven countries in 2017. Of these, five were ATT States Parties and two were Signatories.
• Albania reported imports of 8 major conventional weapons items in 2017, all of which were armoured combat vehicles from Italy and the United States.
• Albania reported imports of 2,286 SALW items in 2017. Of these, 83 per cent were revolvers and self-loading pistols. The largest transaction was for 1,475 semi-automatic pistols from Austria for the civilian market and/or state police.
• The main exporters to Albania were Austria (67 per cent of reported import items), Croatia (18 per cent) and Italy (7 per cent).