Finland’s reporting changed in its 2020 annual report.

Finland reported Actual Numbers of major conventional weapons items as opposed to 2019 when it did not specify whether transfers were actual or authorized. It continued to report Actual Numbers of small arms exports. It did not report any exports of light weapons as it did in its 2019 annual report. Finland also reported Actual Values of additional exports under voluntary national categories, including ammunition, after not doing so in its 2019 report.

Finland reported Actual Numbers of all small arms imports, except for one that was not specified. As in its 2019 report, it did not report any imports of major conventional weapons or light weapons.
GOOD PRACTICES

Finland provided more disaggregated information on small arms exporting countries than it did in its 2019 report.

Finland provided descriptions of all major conventional weapons and SALW exports, and it provided descriptions for the majority of small arms imports.

Finland reported additional information on exports under national categories, including ammunition, while also providing values for these transfers.

ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT

Finland excluded some data for ‘commercial sensitivity/national security-related’ reasons but did not specify where or how much information was withheld.

Finland could provide comments describing the nature of its reported imports and exports.

TRANSFER SUMMARY - 2020: EXPORT DATA

- Finland reported exports to 57 countries and territories. Of these, 43 were ATT States Parties, six were Signatories and seven were non-members (Algeria, India, Iraq, Jordan, Oman, Saudi Arabia and Somalia).

- Finland reported the export of four major conventional weapons items: two armoured combat vehicles to Japan, one to Sweden and one to the United Kingdom.

- Finland reported the export of 425 small arms items, all of which were rifles and carbines. It also reported the export of €79.7m (US$91m) worth of items under voluntary national categories.

- In terms of numbers, the main importers of small arms from Finland were Germany (15.3 per cent), Australia (9.4 per cent) and Denmark (8 per cent).

TRANSFER SUMMARY - 2020: IMPORT DATA

- Finland reported imports from four ATT States Parties.

- Finland did not report any imports of major conventional weapons.

- Finland reported the import of 69 small arms items covering three sub-categories: revolvers and self-loading pistols (85.5 per cent), ‘others’ (small arms) (8.7 per cent) and rifles and carbines (5.8 per cent).

- In terms of numbers, the main exporter of small arms to Finland was Austria (82.6 per cent).

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1 Finland also reported arms exports to one non-UN member (Taiwan).
3 Finland also reported a transfer with no exporting state, where the United States was listed as the state of origin (but not as the exporter). It is unclear if this was a mistake or not.