



SEESAC'S ARMS CONTROL ACTIVITIES IN THE WESTERN BALKANS

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SALW COLLECTION AND

AWARENESS RAISING

Awareness raising campaigns inform citizens about the inherent dangers posed by weapons. During collection campaigns, amnesty is declared, at which time citizens can turn in weapons in their possession, held legally or illegally, without suffering the legal repercussions.

THIS RESULTS IN:



SALW DESTRUCTION

By destroying surplus and confiscated weapons, the risk of those weapons being stolen and sold illegally within or outside of the country is diminished. Since storing of weapons is expensive, the destruction of these weapons benefits the state, as it decreases the burden on the budget.

SERBIA
45,285
SALW destroyed
17,000 in 2012
28,285 in 2010



CROATIA
33,091
SALW destroyed
16,329 in 2012
16,762 in 2011



DESTRUCTIONS IN BOTH SERBIA AND CROATIA WERE CO-ORGANIZED WITH THE MINISTRIES OF INTERIOR.

SALW MARKING, TRACING AND RECORD KEEPING

By assisting the creation of a complete database of existing weapons, we support the authorities in their effort to improve their ability to use ballistics and trace weapons more effectively. This directly contributes to better crime control, and diminished accumulation and trafficking of SALW.

SEMINAR ON MARKING AND TRACING

The seminar provided an update on the adherence to international instruments and adoption of national legislation on marking and tracing. Participants came from: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Serbia and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

FYR MACEDONIA

Enhanced electronic weapons registration and record keeping system enables MoI to keep records, use ballistics and trace firearms more effectively.

MONTENEGRO

Electronic weapons registration system in Montenegro established.

As a result the MoI can:

- Process, issue and store applications for possession and carrying of weapons using an electronic, centralized system.
- Run a real-time check of weapons registrations
- Keep a record of registered weapons

CROATIA

IN 2010:

Slavonski Brod, Ogulin, Rovinj, Makarska, Delnice, Koprivnica, Križevci, Pula, Kutina, Zagreb, Osijek, Karlovačka County, Pazin

IN 2011:

Virovitica, Varaždin, Daruvar, Zadar, Krapina, Gospić, Zagreb, Požeska County, Medjumurska County, Vukovarsko-Sremska, Split

TOTAL COLLECTED



STORAGE UPGRADES

The upgrade of the MoI and MoD SALW and ammunition storages directly contributes to the security of the stockpiles stored in them. This in turn diminishes the risk of SALW trafficking and proliferation in the country, the Western Balkans region and beyond.

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

4 SECURITY DOORS INSTALLED IN THE BUILDINGS AT 4 LOCATIONS

STORAGE LOCATIONS ARE:



This activity was conducted from 2010 through 2012 and was successfully completed on 12 December 2012.

CROATIA

CENTRAL POLICE WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION STORAGE MURAT

The upgrade of Murat took place in 2011.

UPGRADES INCLUDED:

- 1 Establishment of a center for technical supervision
- 2 Installation and integration of 30 surveillance cameras
- 3 Introduction of an access control system - controlling the sliding door at the entrance to the complex
- 4 Installation of special alarms

SURVEILLANCE CENTER

SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

AUTOMATIC DOORS - AS OPPOSED TO PREVIOUS RAMP

ALARM SYSTEMS

MONTENEGRO

UPGRADE OF AN AMMUNITION STORAGE SITE OF THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE TARAŠ

THE UPGRADES CONSISTED OF:

- 1 Video surveillance system installed
- 2 Power substation diesel generator and the backup generator installed
- 3 Securing fence around the storage facility installed

This activity was conducted from 2010 through 2011 and was successfully completed on 20 May 2011.

SALW STOCKPILE MANAGEMENT

Stockpile management trainings help build the capacity of personnel who are directly in charge of small arms, light weapons and ammunition stockpiles by:

3 TRAINING MODULES HELD

5 DAYS EACH

ATTENDED BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MINISTRIES OF DEFENSE AND MINISTRIES OF INTERIOR FROM BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, CROATIA, FYR MACEDONIA, MONTENEGRO, SERBIA



OFFICIALS ATTENDED THE TRAININGS

TRAININGS WERE ON:

- 1 PLANNING AND MANAGING OF STOCKPILE LOCATIONS
- 2 INVENTORY MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTING CONTROL PROCEDURES
- 3 STOCKPILE FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION OF SALW AND ASSOCIATED AMMUNITION.

Trainings took place in 2011.