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SALW (WEAPONS) DESTRUCTION PLANNING SOFTWARE
(TO SUPPORT RMDS/G 05.20)

Since 2003, Regional Micro-Disarmament Standards and Guidelines (RMDS/G) have been available in order to support work at the operational level. The RMDS/G reflect the ongoing development of operational procedures, practices and norms, and are constantly updated to reflect the latest developments and practices in Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) Control.

RMDS/G 05.20 covers SALW Destruction Activities, and recommends technical options for disposal and the factors to be covered. A range of stakeholders have recently approached SEESAC and asked for guidance on the costs of weapons destruction. SEESAC have therefore now developed an EXCEL based weapons destruction planning matrix to support the contents of RMDS/G 05.20. The software includes all the important technical planning factors, examples of technical equipment and it allows for local or regional prices and costs to be entered per item, (for example fuel costs, labour costs etc).

RMDS/G (4th Edition) (July 2007) is available on the SEESAC website resource page, which contains a register of the latest version/edition of the RMDS/G standards, guides and reference: http://www.seesac.org/. SEESAC hold copies of all references used in RMDS/G. National SALW authorities, stakeholders, and other interested bodies can shortly obtain CD copies from SEESAC.

Copies of the EXCEL spreadsheet can be obtained by request electronically direct from SEESAC.

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