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## SEESAC ACTIVITY REPORT – AR/074

### CONTRIBUTION TO ‘TARGETING AMMUNITION’ PUBLICATION

<b>SEESAC FUNCTIONAL AREA</b>	<b>FA 3 - Management Information FA 6 - SALW Destruction FA 7 - SALW Stockpile Management</b>
<b>SEESAC OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY</b>	<b>OA 8 - Operational Research Activities</b>

The Geneva based Small Arms Survey has recently released a publication that addresses the issue of ammunition within the SALW policy and operational frameworks. ‘*Targeting Ammunition*’ is a collaborative project, led and project managed by the Small Arms Survey, with contributions from Viva Rio (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil), Centre for International Cooperation and Security (CICS) (Bradford University, UK), Groupe de Recherche et d’Information su la Paix et la securite (GRIP) (Brussels, Belgium) and SEESAC.

In recognition of the fact that ammunition has remained a low priority on the international agenda despite its critical role in fuelling conflict and crime, the publication highlights why the international community should make urgent progress in areas such as ammunition stockpile management, disposal and destruction, interdiction of illicit supply routes and redressing the impact of ammunition on communities. *Targeting Ammunition* also underscores the important role of the international community in preventing or controlling the transfer of ammunition - as well as ammunition production capacity - to regions that are prone to elevated levels of criminality or conflict. It further underscores the need to strictly control the legal trade in ammunition and to ensure better enforcement of national and international controls, including mandatory UN arms embargoes and sanctions. The SEESAC contribution to this publication consisted of the Chapters on 1) Stockpile Management; and 2) Disposal, Destruction and Demilitarization; together with technical advice on ammunition in general.

The English language edition of the publication can be downloaded from both the Small Arms Survey<sup>1</sup> and SEESAC websites ([www.seesac.org](http://www.seesac.org)). Printed copies of the report are available in English direct from the Small Arms Survey.



<sup>1</sup> [http://www.smallarmssurvey.org/files/sas/publications/b\\_series2.html](http://www.smallarmssurvey.org/files/sas/publications/b_series2.html)



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