

# TRENDS AND THREATS RELATED TO FIREARMS TRAFFICKING IN WESTERN BALKANS

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# SITUATION ANALYSIS



# WESTERN BALKAN



SOURCE

Automatic Rifles: AK 47,  
Zastava

Pistols: TT 33, M57

Hand grenades



TRANSIT

Blank Pistols



DESTINATION

Blank Pistols

Modern weapons

- PRINCIPLE



**NEW  
DEVELOPMENT IN  
WEAPON  
INDUSTRY**

Use of techno polymers

Smart guns

Modular weapons

Ammunition

3D Printing and metal fusion

Online sale

Darknet sale

Sale on encrypted platforms

Components

Pyrotechnics

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**NEW METHODS OF SALE**

# CONVERSION

Blank to Lethal

Semi Auto to Auto

Antique to lethal

Pneumatic to lethal

Ammunition

**“SMART”  
CRIMINALS**

AVOID DETECTION

AVOID EXAMINATION

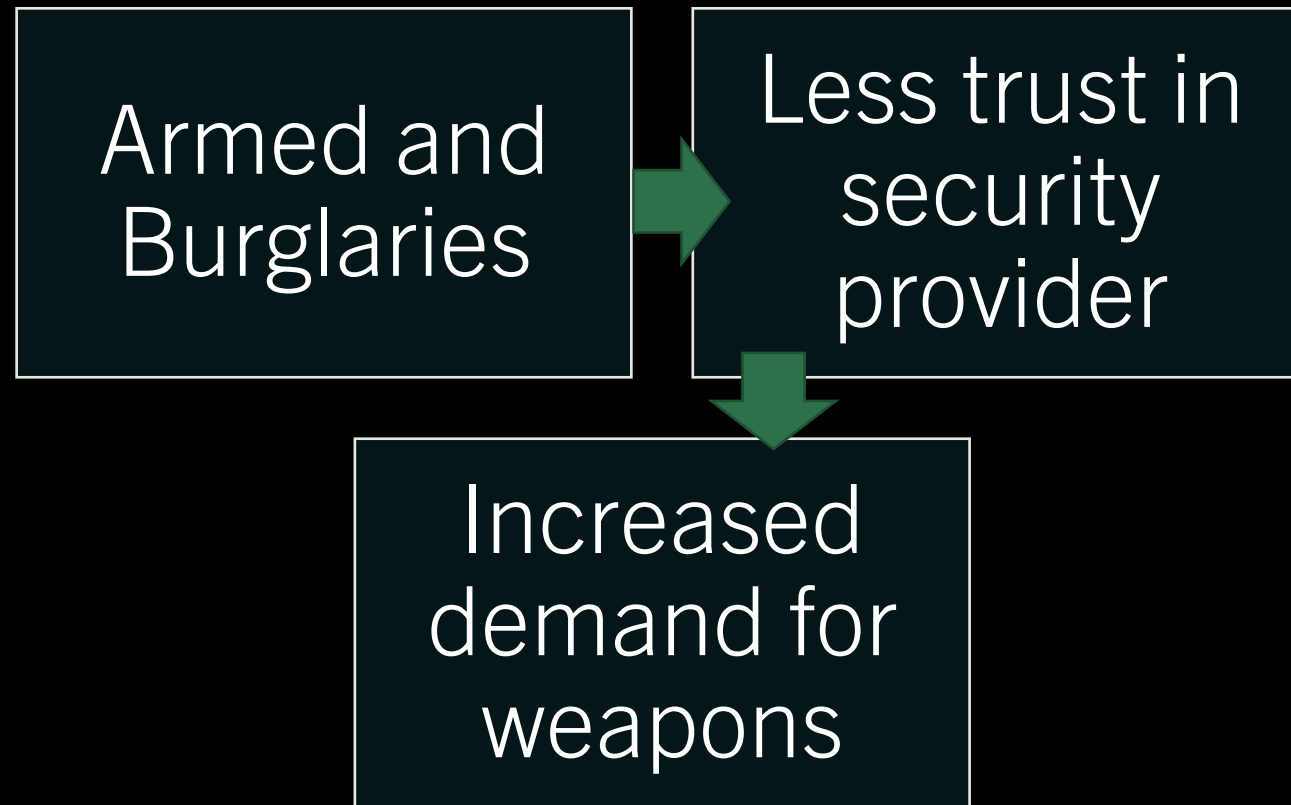
AVOID TRACING



**TARGET**

- SPECIFIC TYPE OF WEAPONS?  
ARMED ROBBERIES towards PISTOLS

# VICIOUS CIRCLE





**FREQUENT LEGAL  
CHANGES**

NON REGULARISED WEAPONS

**BETTER DATA**



# VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENTS

Preventive actions



**NEW UNEXPLORED  
THREATS**

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Afghanistan?

THANK YOU!

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