The information herein is extracted from the Armed Violence Monitoring Platform (AVMP) (http://www.seesac.org/AVMP/) showing the main data on the reported firearm-related incidents in South East Europe covering Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo*, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Republic of Moldova and Serbia, as collected from media reports, for the period from 1 to 29 February 2020.

As per media clippings, a total of 199 firearm-related incidents that took place in the region were recorded on the AVMP.**

February saw the highest number of weapon seizures (101) in the last six months.

*References to Kosovo shall be understood to be in the context of Security Council Resolution 1244 (1999).

**The information provided in this report is based on the AVMP data extracted on 10 March 2020.
Firearm-misuse in criminal context was recorded in almost 20% of all cases.

The victim did not sustain a gunshot wound in only 7% of the cases in which a firearm was discharged.
Perpetrators

Total number of perpetrators was 208, of whom 203 were men and 5 were women.*

* Refers only to incidents for which the number and sex of the perpetrators was reported.

Victims*

In all incidents in February, the total number of victims was 93. In the incidents for which the sex of the victims was reported, 65 were men and 17 were women.

* Victim refers to any individual who has been threatened, injured or died as a result of the use of a firearm.

For the last six months, February has been the deadliest month with 21 recorded deaths, and 6 suicides.
Outcome for Victims

30% of victims were threatened with a firearm.

*Not applicable refers to all incidents where a firearm was present but was not discharged nor used for inflicting injuries and threatening (for example, a theft of a firearm).

Relationship between victims and perpetrators

*Other refers to all relationships that cannot be classified under any of the above categories, as well as to weapons seizures, suicides, self-injury, non-hunting-related shooting of animals, etc.
Macro location of the firearm-related incidents

The highest number of firearm-related incidents, including seizures, were recorded in Sarajevo, Prishtina and Gjilan.
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