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 187 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).
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 205, of whom 200 were men and 5 were women.*

Women accounted for 2% of perpetrators, but made up 21% of victims.

2% WOMEN

98% MEN

* 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.

21% WOMEN

79% MEN

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 shall refer to a) 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); b) all incidents where the firearm was discharged but the outcome for the victim is not specified.

Relationship between victims and perpetrators

*Other shall refer 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 killing 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.