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The Permanent Mission of Sweden to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Department of Disarmament Affairs and with reference to the latter's note No DDA/09-2005/NLDU of 14 February 2005 has the honour to convey the following information from the Swedish Government.

In Sweden the manufacture and exportation of military equipment are governed by the Military Equipment Act (1992:1300) and the corresponding Ordinance (1992:1303). Both these statutory instruments entered into force on 1 January 1993.

The Act stipulates that military equipment must not be manufactured or exported without a licence. Licences are also required for all types of defence industry cooperation with foreign partners.

Under the EC Regulation no 1334/2000 on the control of dual-use goods, export licences are required in some cases for items that do not fall within the definition of military equipment. This regulation is legally binding on Sweden. The Control of Dual-use goods and Technical Assistance Act (2000:1064) and the associated Ordinance (2000:1217) complement the EC Regulation on the national level.

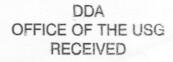
The National Inspectorate of Strategic Products (ISP) is the government authority responsible for implementing the controls laid down in the instruments mentioned above. The ISP is thus responsible for matters relating to licences and exports of both military equipment and products with both civil and military uses (dual-use goods).

The Permanent Mission of Sweden to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to Department of Disarmament Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

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