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# Global Non-proliferation Challenges and Export Control Cooperation

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# **International Disarmament & Non-proliferation Instruments**

- **Multilateral Non-Proliferation Treaties**
- **UNSC Res. 1540**
- **Informal Non-Proliferation Regimes**
- **Initiatives**



# International Treaties on the Non-proliferation of WMD

- Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) – 1968, 1970
- Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Biological and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction (BTWC) - 1972, 1975
- Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction (CWC) - 1993, 1997.




# WMD Non-proliferation Treaties - Main Elements

- Universalization
- Prohibition of development/possession/  
/transfer
- National compliance
- Verification
- Lists of controlled materials
- Technical Assistance

# Treaty on the Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT)

- Nuclear states obliged to negotiate in good faith nuclear disarmament
- Non-nuclear states committed not to develop NW, with the access to nuclear energy for peaceful purposes
- Verification through the IAEA safeguards
- Unlimited duration
- 188 state parties



# **Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction (BTWC)**

- First international treaty after WWII – aimed at the total elimination of BTW
- No verification system
- Unlimited duration
- 155 state parties



# Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction (CWC)

- Destruction of all CW and CW production facilities (by 2012)
- Transfer of listed chemicals allowed only to state parties
- Effective verification system through the OPCW and national authorities
- Unlimited duration
- State parties -183

# Disarmament & Non-proliferation Efforts - achievements

- CWC – more than 1/4 of the global destroyed; 3000 inspections in 80 countries to verify CW destruction and non-proliferation
- BTWC – more countries declaring their bio-activities, experts' discussion
- Majority of the NPT state parties comply with their obligations
- Establishment of informal nonproliferation regimes and initiatives to support multilateral infrastructure
- UN SC Res 1540 (2004)
- Strengthening of regional and international cooperation

# Non-proliferation Regimes and Initiatives

- ❑ The Wassenaar Arrangement (WA)
- ❑ The Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG)
- ❑ The Zangger Committee (ZC)
- ❑ The Australia Group (AG)
- ❑ The Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR):
- ❑ Continuous update and transfer control of strategically sensitive goods; information sharing and out-reach activities
  
- ❑ The Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI):
- ❑ Sea, air and ground Interdiction – effective counter-proliferation tool
- ❑ The Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism (GI):
- ❑ Focused on physical protection and data-bases; information exchange



## Compliance with International Obligations Results in the Progress at the National Level

- Identification of gaps in legislation and capacities
- Updated legal framework
- Increased physical protection of materials
- Strengthening capacities: establishment of new national agencies
- Enhanced inter-agency cooperation
- Comprehensive export control policy

# Export Control

- One of the most important tools in preventing and suppressing proliferation of WMD
- Coordinated activities at national and international levels
- Raising awareness in industry and academia on the importance of export control
- Promoting of catch-all clause
- Outreach activities at national, regional and international levels

# Export Control

- Strict and responsible control of end-use/end-user, taking into account the threat of acquiring WMD related materials by non-state actors and terrorists
- Special emphasis on transit, transshipment and brokering of dual-use goods and on coordinated activities among relevant authorities within the framework of effective legislation
- Penalties for violators of export-control regulations

# Croatia's Commitment to Non-proliferation

- A major goal of foreign and security policy
- WMD proliferation – a threat to all countries regardless the size, geography or power
- Determination to contribute to global non-proliferation efforts while at the same time protecting own citizens
- Although not a country of origin nor of prior destination of WMD materials, Croatia recognizes the overall threat and own exposure to smuggling routes
- Special attention paid to strengthening regional co-operation
- Compliance with and active contribution to international nonproliferation treaties, regimes and initiatives leads to enhanced national performance



Thank you for your attention !

