



Ministry for Foreign Affairs

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**Statement by Sweden in the
Thematic Discussion on Post-Shipment Controls**

Mr. President,

Let me start by thanking the German Presidency for making post-shipment controls a thematic priority for this CSP. I would also like to thank the panellists for interesting presentations and remarks.

Sweden believes that post-shipment controls can be a valuable complement to strict licensing assessments and end-user certificates. Such controls have the potential of mitigating the risk of diversion while also building mutual trust between exporting and importing states. This year, Sweden introduced a national system for post-shipment controls which came into effect on the 1st of March. The Swedish controls cover ML2 through 5 because that is the type of equipment where we see the greatest risk for diversion. Although no on-site visits have taken place yet, the sharing of best practices and experiences from other states remain valuable for our national implementation of this system.

Thank you.