Question for written answer E-003602/2015 to the Council Rule 130 Doru-Claudian Frunzulică (S&D)

Subject: Implementation of the Arms Trade Treaty

UN Resolution 61/89, adopted in 2006, initiated the process for developing a treaty to regulate international trade in conventional weapons, the so-called Arms Trade Treaty (ATT). The objective was to achieve a legally binding treaty that made legal trade in conventional arms more responsible by setting high common international standards on imports, exports and transfers.

The Council Decision drafted by the Commission in Brussels on 8 May 2013 authorised Member States to sign, in the interests of the European Union, the Arms Trade Treaty. Is the Council now taking measures to further support its Member States in signing the ATT and to ensure due implementation of the commitments resulting from that Treaty?

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