# Annual Report According to the EU Code of Conduct on Arms Exports NATIONAL REPORT OF FINLAND FOR 2000

#### REPORTING PERIOD AND SCOPE

The reporting period is the year 2000, 1.1.-31.12.2000. Part A of this report covers exports authorised under the Act on the Export and Transit of Defence Materiel (defence materiel), and part B exports authorised under the Firearms Act (civilian firearms and ammunition).

#### PART A. DEFENCE MATERIEL

# 1. LEGAL BASIS AND NATIONAL LICENSING GUIDELINES

The basic principles, policies and national practices on the export of conventional arms and related technology are embodied in the Finnish legislation concerned. The export of defence materiel and its transit is allowed only if authorisation (export licence) therefore has been granted. Authorisation shall not be granted if it jeopardises Finland's security or is in contradiction with Finland's foreign policy.

These basic principles in the Act on the Export and Transit of Defence Materiel are supplemented by clarifying rules contained in the national Guidelines. According to them, the following factors shall be taken into account in the overall assessment of licence applications:

- foreign and security policy aspects, including the relevant UN, OSCE, EU and other international obligations be they decisions on arms embargoes, multilateral restraints, criteria, principles or guidelines of multilateral export control regimesanalysis of the situation prevailing in the recipient country, especially with regard to human rights, including attitudes of other States vis-à-vis the recipient country
- characteristics, intended use and military significance of the item to be exported
- significance of the item and export in relation to the materiel preparedness of Finnish national defence and to the development of domestic defence industry.

The EU Code of Conduct on Arms Exports is incorporated in the Finnish legislation as an annex to the national Guidelines.

Accordingly, all applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis. In ambiguous cases, restraint should be preferred. If the export of the item in question, by virtue of its characteristics and significance, will not lead to, or will in all likelihood not to be used in violations of human rights, offensive armed action or other comparable unacceptable purposes inside or outside the recipient country, granting of a licence may be recommended if the overall assessment is otherwise favourable and if the formal licensing requirements have been met.

There are specific rules for the export licensing of components and subsystems of any defence equipment.

The relevant Finnish legislation is as follows:

Act on the Export and Transit of Defence Materiel (promulgated in 1990, amendments in force since 1 March 1995)

- a concise framework law stipulating the authorisation and procedure as well as sanctions in case of violations
- establishes the following responsibilities for various authorities:
  - 1. Ministry of Defence (MoD): licensing authority
  - 2. Council of State (Council of Ministers): grants licences in all major exports; affirms the guidelines
  - 3. Ministry for Foreign Affairs (MfA): advises on foreign and security policy considerations

#### 4. Customs: enforcement

General Guidelines for the Export and Transit of Defence Materiel (in force since 1 April 1995 as a Council of State Decision)

- assists in the application of the Act by giving clarifying rules of foreign and security policy substances as well as of procedural substance
- assists also in the implementation of the international agreements and obligations of Finland in the field of export of defence equipment
- incorporates the international norms to the domestic legislation by explicit references to the OSCE Principles on arms transfers, the EU Code of Conduct on Arms Exports, decisions on arms embargoes by the UNSC or the EU etc. and by integrating these sets to the Guidelines proper as its annexes.

# Decree on the Export and Transit of Defence Materiel (in force since 15 February 1997)

- establishes the coverage of controls by defining the list of defence materiel, by main headings, classified into four item categories (based on characteristics, intended use and military significance of the items)
- by the Act, the coverage includes "related technology" as authorisation is also needed for yielding control or transfer abroad of any:
  - know-how and licence to manufacture materiel
  - machine tools and equipment especially designed for manufacturing materiel
  - computer software relating to the manufacture or use of materiel
  - the export of technology shall require an export licence even if such technology is intended for development, production or use of an item which is not defined as defence material
- authorisation is not required for the exports of technology which is necessary for the installation, use, maintenance, inspection, or repair of an already licensed item
- nor is authorisation required for the export of technology which is widely available internationally or related to basic scientific research.

**Decision by the Ministry of Defence** (in force since 15 March 1997)

- based on the Decree, the decision implements the Munitions' List of the Wassenaar Arrangement.

Decision by the Ministry of Defence, which introduced the Declaration on intra-Community movement or transit of arms, munitions, war materiels and other military goods, has been abolished by the Decision by the Ministry of Defence, in force since 1 January 2000.

In regard to the destination and end-user of the equipment, the Guidelines include a list of countries embargoed by the UNSC or EU decisions. This 'negative list'' is updated with new decisions or sanctions or upon their lifting. In general, Finland applies a concept of a selective restraint, based on overall assessment of each case.

#### 2. SCOPE OF ARMS EXPORT LICENSING

The list of defence materiel (conventional weaponry) being controlled, is practically identical with the Common List of Military Equipment.

#### 3. EXPORT LICENCES DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

#### Total number of export licences granted: 149

#### Total number of applications rejected (denials): 6

(N.B This figure does not include any applications withdrawn by the applicant in the course of the licensing procedure, negative responses to prior enquiries, nor the number of negative initial answers to prior informal and oral enquiries addressed to the licensing authority.)

Country of destination	CL classification	Total amount	Unit
Argentina	1	25,00	pcs
Australia	3	1 000,00	pcs
Australia	7	5,00	pcs

Australia	7	4,(	NO 200
Australia	1	20,0	
Austria	3	1 900,0	<del>-</del>
Austria	8	15 000,0	
Belgium	3	intangib	
Belgium	3	19 000,0	<del>-</del>
Belgium	3	20 000,0	
Brunei	3		_
	3	25 000,0	
Canada	1	2 700,0	
Canada		50,(	_
Canada	3	7 000,0	_
Canada	3	60,0	_
Canada	3	120,0	
Canada	7	50,(	_
Chile	7	176,(	_
Chile	7	10,0	
Chile	7	33,(	
China	9	1,0	_
Czech Republic	7	2,0	
Czech Republic	3	540,0	_
Czech Republic	4, 13	21,0	
Denmark	7	1,0	
Denmark	3	800,0	
Denmark	1	20,0	00 pcs
Denmark	8	5 000,0	00 kg
Denmark	3	82 500,0	00 pcs
Egypt	7	1,0	00 pcs
Egypt	11	3,0	00 pcs
Ecuador	7	5,0	00 pcs
EU and EEA	13	50,0	00 pcs
countries,			
Switzerland, Australia, Japan,			
Canada, New			
Zealand, USA,			
Hungary, Poland,			
Czech Republic, Slovakia,			
Estonia, Latvia,			
Lithuania			
France	11	14,0	00 pcs
France	3	20 000,0	00 pcs
France	1	200,0	00 pcs
France	2	3,0	00 pcs
France	7	4,0	00 pcs
France	1	2,0	00 pcs
France	7	3,0	00 pcs

Germany	3	251,00	pcs
Germany	3	intangible	pcs
Germany	3	125,00	pcs
Germany	3	7 000,00	pcs
Germany	3	3 000,00	pcs
Germany	3	2 000,00	pcs
Germany	3	10 000,00	pcs
Germany	3	40,00	pcs
Germany	8	21 700,00	kg
Germany	8	0,80	kg
Germany	8	3,00	kg
Germany	3	500,00	pcs
Greece	3	2 000,00	pcs
Greece	3	6 000,00	pcs
Hong Kong	7	2,00	pcs
Iceland	3	164 900,00	pcs
Iceland	8	100,00	kg
Iceland	1	5,00	pcs
Ireland	3	5 000,00	pcs
Italy	3	9 500,00	pcs
Italy	1	200,00	pcs
Italy	1	4,00	pcs
Italy	1	300,00	pcs
Italy	7	1,00	pcs
Jordan	7	5 500,00	pcs
Jordan	7	2,00	pcs
Kuwait	7	500,00	pcs
Kuwait	7	1,00	pcs
Kuwait	1	20,00	pcs
Kuwait	7	1,00	pcs
Latvia	7	1,00	pcs
Latvia	3	4 000,00	pcs
Lithuania	7	1,00	pcs
Lithuania	1	2,00	pcs
Lithuania	7	30,00	pcs
Luxemburg	1	100,00	pcs
Luxemburg	8	400,00	kg
Macedonia (UN)	6	1,00	pcs
Malaysia	7	10,00	pcs
Malaysia	3	1,00	pcs
Netherlands	8	500,00	kg
Netherlands	3	5 000,00	pcs
Netherlands	3	27 000,00	pcs
Netherlands	7	6,00	pcs

Netherlands	8	2,50	kg
Netherlands	7	25,00	pcs
Netherlands	7	12,00	pcs
Netherlands,	3	general licence	
Australia,			
Belgium, Spain, Ireland, Iceland,			
UK, Italy,			
Austria, Japan,			
Canada, Greece,			
Luxembourg, Norway, Portugal,			
Poland, France,			
Sweden, Germany,			
Slovakia, Switzerland,			
Denmark, Czech			
Republic,			
Hungary, New Zealand, USA			
New Caledonia	1	5,00	pcs
New Zealand	1	30,00	pcs
New Zealand	3	60,00	pcs
New Zealand	7	500,00	pcs
Norway	3	2 000,00	pcs
Norway	6	1,00	pcs
Norway	6	12,00	pcs
Norway	6	1,00	pcs
Norway	8	6,00	kg
Poland	1	20,00	pcs
Poland	3	500,00	pcs
Poland	1	2,00	pcs
Poland	7	3,00	pcs
Poland	3	70 000,00	pcs
Poland	8	40,00	kg
Poland	1	20,00	pcs
Poland	8	20,00	kg
Russia	9	1,00	pcs
Singapore	3	35 280,00	pcs
Slovakia	3	20,00	pcs
Slovakia	7	4,00	pcs
Slovakia	7	20,00	pcs
Slovenia	3	100,00	pcs
South Africa	1	100,00	pcs
South Africa	1	15,00	pcs
Spain	3 1	120,00	pcs
Spain	7		pcs
Spain	/	21,00	pcs

Spain and	1	10,00	pcs
Portugal Sweden	6	1,00	pcs
Sweden	3	15 100,00	pcs
Sweden	6	1,00	pcs
Sweden	3	20,00	pcs
Sweden	1	100,00	pcs
Sweden	3	10,00	pcs
Sweden	3	80,00	pcs
Sweden	8	389 000,00	pcs
Sweden	2	1,00	pcs
Sweden	6	22,00	pcs
Sweden	8	3 000,00	kg
Sweden	3	2 000,00	pcs
Sweden	8	3 000,00	kg
Sweden and Norway	3	general licence	
Sweden and Norway	3	general licence	
Sweden, Germany,	3	700 000,00	Kg
Italy			
Switzerland	8	0,80	Kg
UAE	3	750,00	Pcs
UAE	7 7	5,00	Pcs
UAE	6	5,00	Pcs
UAE	7	1,00	Pcs
UAE UK	8	2,00 1 505,00	Pcs
UK	3	15 000,00	Kg
UK	3	2 000,00	pcs
UK	3	408 000,00	pcs
UK	3	10 800,00	pcs
UK	3	160 000,00	pcs
UK	3	160 000,00	pcs
USA	3	1 000,00	pcs
USA	7	50,00	pcs
USA	1	130,00	pcs
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# Total value of individual export licences granted in 2000: 140 990 504 FIM (23 712 900 euros).

N.B. Figures given under item 4 include only export licences granted for commercial exports of the Finnish Industry. Figures above do not include any uncommercial exports for the Finnish Defence Forces' purposes, temporary export licences, free of charge exports for sales promotion or marketing purposes, transit licences nor responses to prior enquiries.

## 4. ACTUAL EXPORTS

DEFENCE MATERIEL EXPORTS FROM FINLAND IN 2000 (1000 FIM) BY COUNTRIES BASED ON ANNUAL REPORTS GIVEN BY DEFENCE MATERIEL EXPORTERS

(1000 FIM)

%

1. NORWAY	88.207,6	63,2
2. SWEDEN	12.011,1	8,6
3. GERMANY	10.213,6	7,3
4. GREAT BRITAIN	7.335,0	5,3
5. SWITZERLAND	5.881,8	4,2
6. EGYPT	3.965,2	2,8
7. TURKEY	2.675,7	1,9
8. USA	1.953,3	1,4
9. ITALY	1.502,9	1,1
10. CZECH REPUBLIC	1.201,4	0,9
11. RUSSIAN FEDERATION	938,3	0,7
12. BELGIUM	611,2	0,4
13. NEW ZEALAND	495,5	0,3
14. FRANCE	344,1	0,2
15. AUSTRIA	303,4	0,2
16. KUWAIT	302,2	0,2
17. DENMARK	228,2	0.2
18. JORDAN	183,4	0,13
19. NETHERLANDS	171,1	0,12
20. POLAND	155,2	0,11
21. SINGAPORE	149,5	0,11
22. CHILE	136,0	0.10
23. CANADA	118,2	0,08
24. BRUNEI	111,7	0,08

25. SOUTH AFRICA	100,3	0,07
26. LUXEMBOURG	94,5	0,07
27. SPAIN	60,2	0,05
28. IRELAND	59,3	0,04
29. SLOVAKIA	52,0	0,04
30. LITHUANIA	31,0	0,02
31. GREECE	19,5	0,013
32. AUSTRALIA	8,1	0,006
33. SLOVENIA	7,3	0,005
34. LATVIA	6,2	0,004
35. ICELAND	2,5	0,002
36. UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	0,3	0,000
TOTAL		139.636,8
100,00		
EU-countries	32.954,1	23,6
Other countries without foreign- and security political restraint	98.075,6	70,2
Other countries, decision made of case by case basis	n 8.607,1	6,2

TOTAL 139.636,8

100,00

DEFENCE MATERIEL EXPORTS FROM FINLAND IN 2000 (1000 FIM) BY COUNTRIES AND ACCORDING TO PRODUCT CATEGORIES BASED ON ANNUAL REPORTS GIVEN BY DEFENCE MATERIEL EXPORTERS

(1000 FIM) Total (1000 FIM)

## 1. NORWAY

- A. Light weapons and accessories therefor
- Sniper rifles and accessories

C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their components

- Ammunition and blanks 74,8

D. Military vehicles 88088,5

E. Military powder and related materiel0,9

88207,6

#### 2. SWEDEN

A. light weapons and accessories therefor

- Sniper rifles and accessories

C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their components

- Ammunition and blanks 34,8

- Cartridge cases 2564,5

85,5 - Bullets

- Fuses and accessories 1,0

- E. Military powder and related materiel3627,3
- G. Others

- Cartridge cases, scrap metal 5619,8

12011,1

#### 3. GERMANY

- A. Light weapons and accessories therefor
- Sniper rifles and accessories
- C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their components

- Ammunition and blanks 101,3

- Bullets 18,2

- Fuses 376,2

- Base bleed unit components 8001,0

E. Military powder and related materiel306,8

10213,6

#### 4. GREAT BRITAIN

- A. Light weapons and accessories therefor
- Sniper rifles and accessories 19,1

- Ammunition, shots etc. and the - Ammunition and blanks - Bullets	743,9 19,5	
E. Military powder and related r	nateriel27,6	
G. Others - Load handling vehicles	6524,9	
		7335,0
5. SWITZERLAND		
A. Light weapons and accessories - Sniper rifles and accessories		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and the</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li><li>Bullets</li></ul>	neir components 43,3 6,2	
E. Military powder and related r	nateriel4,9	
G. Others - Protective equipment	5799,1	
		5881,8
6. EGYPT		
<ul><li>B. Guns, mortars etc. and their</li><li>Guns and accessories</li></ul>	components 3965,2	
		3965,2
7. TURKEY		
D. Military vehicles	2675,7	
		2675,7
8. USA		
	.1. 6	
<ul><li>A. Light weapons and accessories</li><li>Sniper rifles and accessories</li></ul>		
C. Ammunition, shots, etc. and t - Ammunition and blanks	their components 71,8	

C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their components

- Bullets	22,3	
E. Military powder and relat	ed materiel113,0	
G. Others - Protective equipment	1677,5	1953,3
9. ITALY		
A. Light weapons and accesso - Sniper rifles and accessor		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. an</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li><li>Bullets</li></ul>	d their components 629,8 22,3	
G. Others - Protective equipment	0,5	1502,9
10. CZECH REPUBLIC		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. an</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li><li>Bullets</li><li>Fuses</li></ul>	d their components 72,7 0,3 1127,4	
G. Others - Protective equipment	1,0	1201,4
11. RUSSIAN FEDERATION		
F. Military electronic equip	ment 938,3	938,3
12. BELGIUM		
A. Light weapons and accesso - Sniper rifles and accessor		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. an</li><li>Bullets</li><li>Cap primers</li></ul>	d their components 51,4 0,8	
F. Military electronic equip	ment 540,0	611.2

# 13. NEW ZEALAND

G. Others

- Protective equipment

<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li></ul>	components 495,5	495,5
14. FRANCE		
A. Light weapons and accessories the - Sniper rifles and accessories	erefor 46,8	
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li><li>Bullets</li></ul>	components 296,3 1,0	344,1
15. AUSTRIA		
A. Light weapons and accessories the - Sniper rifles and accessories		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li><li>Bullets</li><li>Cartridge cases</li></ul>	components 103,7 1,0 2,0	
E. Military powder and related mater	riel8,6	303,4
16. KUWAIT		
G. Others - Protective equipment	302,2	302,2
17. DENMARK		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li><li>Bullets</li><li>Cap primers</li></ul>	components 25,3 0,2 33,0	
E. Military powder and related mater	riel169,7	228,2
18. JORDAN		

19. NETHERLANDS		
A. Light weapons and accessories the - Sniper rifles and accessories		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>- Ammunition and blanks</li><li>- Bullets</li></ul>	components 120,3 1,1	
E. Military powder and related mater	riel2,5	
G. Others - Protective equipment	13,2	171,1
20. POLAND		
A. Light weapons and accessories the - Sniper rifles and accessories		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li><li>Cap primers</li></ul>	components 1,8 5,6	
E. Military powder and related mater	riel	1,8 155,2
21. SINGAPORE		
C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their - Ammunition and blanks	components 149,5	149,5
22. CHILE		
G. Others - Protective equipment	136,0	136,0
23. CANADA		
A. Light weapons and accessories the - Sniper rifles and accessories	erefor 85,8	

<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li><li>Bullets</li></ul>	components 25,1 7,3	118,2
24. BRUNEI		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li></ul>	components 111,7	
	111,7	
25. SOUTH AFRICA		
A. Light weapons and accessories the - Sniper rifles and accessories		100,3
26. LUXEMBOURG		
A. Light weapons and accessories the - Sniper rifles and accessories	erefor 6,5	
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li><li>Bullets</li></ul>	components 47,7 29,7	
E. Military powder and related mater	riel10,6	94,5
27. SPAIN		
A. Light weapons and accessories the - Sniper rifles and accessories	erefor 32,4	
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li></ul>	components 18,0	
G. Others - Protective equipment	9,8	60,2
28. IRELAND		
C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their - Ammunition and blanks	components 59,3	59,3

C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their - Ammunition and blanks	components 52,0	52,0
30. LITHUANIA		
A. Light weapons and accessories the - Sniper rifles and accessories	erefor 30,0	
G. Others - Protective equipment	1,0	31,0
31. GREECE		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>Ammunition and blanks</li></ul>	components 19,5	19,5
32. AUSTRALIA		
A. Light weapons and accessories the - Sniper rifles and accessories		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>- Ammunition and blanks</li><li>- Bullets</li></ul>	components 0,7 1,1	8,1
33. SLOVENIA		
G. Others - Protective equipment	7,3	7,3
34. LATVIA		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their</li><li>- Ammunition and blanks</li></ul>	components 6,2	6,2
35. ICELAND		
<ul><li>C. Ammunition, shots etc and their</li><li>Bullets</li></ul>	components 0,8	

29. SLOVAKIA

 ${\tt E.}$  Military powder and related materiel1,7

2,5

#### 36. UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their components

0,3

- Bullets

0,3

TOTAL

139636,8

DEFENCE MATERIEL EXPORTS FROM FINLAND IN 2000 (1000 FIM) ACCORDING TO PRODUCT CATEGORIES BASED ON ANNUAL REPORTS GIVEN BY DEFENCE MATERIEL EXPORTERS

(1000 FIM)

#### Total (1000 FIM)

A. Light weapons and accessories therefor

- Sniper rifles and accessories 3193,3

<ul><li>B. Guns, mortars etc and accessories the</li><li>Guns and accessories</li></ul>	3965,2	3965,2
<ul> <li>C. Ammunition, shots etc. and their cor</li> <li>Ammunition and blanks</li> <li>Cartridge cases</li> <li>Bullets</li> <li>Cap primers</li> <li>Fuses</li> <li>Base bleed unit components</li> </ul>	3305,0 2566,5 268,2 39,4 1504,6 8001,0	5684,7
D. Military vehicles	90	0764,2
E. Military powder and related materies	L	4275,4
F. Military electronic equipment	1	1478,3
<ul><li>G. Others</li><li>Protective equipment</li><li>Cartridge cases, scrap metal</li><li>Load handling vehicles</li></ul>	8131,0 5619,8 6524,9	)275,7
		TOTAL

## PART B: CIVILIAN FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION

## 1. LEGAL BASIS AND NATIONAL LICENSING GUIDELINES

Provisions on the transfer from Finland, export and transit of firearms, firearm components, cartridges and specially dangerous projectiles for civil use are laid down in the Firearms Act (1/1998) and the Firearms Decree (145/1998). Under section 18(1)(1) of the Firearms Act, the following shall be subject to an authorisation: transfer and import to Finland, transfer and export from Finland, transit, transfer for commercial purposes, trade, acquisition,

possession and manufacture of firearms, firearm components, cartridges and specially dangerous projectiles. Under section 19 of the same Act, the *export* of firearms, firearm components, cartridges and specially dangerous projectiles for a private purpose shall not, however, be subject to an authorisation.

Export refers to transport from Finland to a country other than a European Union Member State, and transfer refers to transport from one European Union Member State to another.

Under section 41 of the Firearms Act, the provisions of the Act on the Export and Transit of Defence Materiel (242/1990) and the provisions issued thereunder shall be complied with in the transfer, export and transit of firearms, firearm components, cartridges and specially dangerous projectiles regarded as defence materiel. The export of defence materiel is explained in part A of this report.

35 of Under section the Firearms Act, the ministry handling firearm issues, i.e. the Ministry of shall grant a license for the transfer Interior, firearms, firearm components, cartridges and specially dangerous projectiles from Finland for a commercial purpose (commercial transfer license). The license may be granted to a person carrying on the trade of dealing in firearms (dealer). The preconditions for the granting of license shall be that, in accordance with notification of the authority of the country destination, there are no obstacles for the transfer and that the transfer conditions are safe.

Under section 36 of the said Act, the ministry handling firearm issues shall grant a permit for the export of firearms, firearm components, cartridges and specially projectiles from Finland for dangerous a commercial purpose (commercial export permit) as well as a permit for their transit for a commercial purpose (commercial transit permit). A commercial export permit may be granted to a dealer whereas a commercial transit permit may also be granted to other applicants. The authority granting the commercial export permit may require the applicant present an end-user certificate or other reliable account stating that there are no obstacles for the granting of the permit. Those applying for a commercial transit permit are also required to present the above mentioned account. The permit authority shall, if so required by the handling of the permit issue, ascertain from the Ministry for

Foreign Affairs that there are no foreign or security-policy obstacles for the granting of the permit. As a general rule, permits are granted to each export consignment. In respect of some countries, export permits are, however, granted so that the maximum number of objects allowed to be exported during a particular period of time is entered in the permit.

As regards the export and transit of firearms for civil use, foreign and security-policy obstacles are assessed in accordance with exactly the same principles as in the export of firearms for military use.

#### 2. SCOPE OF ARMS EXPORT LICENSING

Firearms legislation is applied to firearms, firearm components, cartridges and specially dangerous projectiles. It is also applied to guided-missile and rocket-launch systems and gas sprays. A firearm refers to an object with projectiles bullets, pellets or other incapacitating substances can be fired with the help of powder gas pressure, explosion pressure of primer mass or of other explosion pressure so that it may cause danger to people. The following objects are not considered to be firearms unless they, without special knowledge and skills, can be converted into objects with which bullets or pellets can be fired so that it may cause danger to people:

- 1) nail machines designed and manufactured to be used in construction work; and
- 2) objects designed and manufactured to be used for lifesaving or scientific or industrial purposes.

A firearm component refers to a chamber detached from a firearm and a corresponding component, a barrel as well as a breech-closing device. Specially dangerous projectiles refer to projectiles designed to penetrate armour, explosive or incendiary projectiles, projectiles with a hollow point and projectiles which expand on impact.

#### 3. EXPORT AND TRANSFER LICENCES DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

As regards firearms for civil use, Finland reports only the quantities included in the transit and export permits granted. In practice the number of exports carried out is in some cases smaller than the number in the export permits granted. Firearms legislation does not require that the permit authorities are notified in the permit applications of the value of objects for civil use.

Total number of commercial export licences granted: 59

Total number of commercial transfer licences granted: 547

Commercial export licenses 2000 (Quantities included in the export permit broken down by countries and categories.)

	A	В	С	D	E	F	I	J	ĸ	L
Argentina										
Australia	0	435	0	0	0	0	0	53 000	350 000	56 450
	115	3 075	65	230	0	5	3 360 000	1 360 000	1 860 000	870 000
Brazil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	104 000	0	0
Canada	75	6 150	35	240	0	5	810 000	610 000	660 000	570 000
Czech Republic	560	800	0	100	200	300	775 000	775 000	775 000	775 900
Chile	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	88 000	80 000	49 000
China	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20 000	1 370 000	80 000
Colombia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	250 000	0
Egypt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16 500	0	0
Estonia	300	400	100	350	0	100	950 000	960 000	890 000	1 508 000
Hong Kong	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400	0	0
Hungary	750	2 000	0	10	200	200	600 000	600 000	600 000	600 000
India	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21 000	0	40 000
Iceland	195	495	50	205	0	50	285 000	285 000	285 000	295 000
Japan	65	525	10	25	0	5	1 325 000	1 125 000	1 175 000	1 075 000
Kuwait	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30 000	15 000
Latvia	0	290	0	0	0	10	250 000	198 000	150 000	150 000
Lithuania	20	250	0	0	0	0	50 000	50 000	0	0
Macao	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10 000	0	0
Malaysia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	850 000	40 000

Mauritius	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	10 000	0	0
New Caledonia	0	600	0	0	0	0	0	35 000	0	0
New Zealand	55	1 525	25	210	0	0	485 000	485 000	485 000	495 000
Norway	3 265	6 875	110	480	390	1 020	4 110 000	2 060 000	3 710 000	2 320 000
Oman	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	30 000	0	50 000
Peru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45 000	177 000	70 000
Poland	525	2 025	25	410	300	200	1 510 000	1 510 000	1 510 000	1 520 000
Qatar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100 000
Republic of Kor	c <b>ea</b> 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	87 400	240 000	392 876
Romania	500	500	0	200	300	200	0	0	0	0
Russia	440	862	250	0	0	0	75 500	82 000	300 000	5 000
Slovakia	340	500	0	100	100	100	425 000	425 000	425 000	425 000
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	307 500	100 000	100 200
South Africa	0	720	0	0	0	0	0	116 800	135 000	0
Switzerland	690	450	35	225	100	103	2 285 000	2 085 000	2 135 000	2 045 000
Taiwan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45 000	10 000
Turkey	0	160	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
United Arab Emi	irates O	0	0	0	0	0	0	160 600	0	200 000
USA	425	60 992	45	620	0	5	3 610 000	3 610 000	4 110 000	3 120 000
TOTAL	8 320	89 839	750	3 405	1 590	2 303	20 905 500	17 325 200	22 697 000	16 977 426

A B C Shotguns Rifles

Small-calibre rifles ( .22 )

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D Pistols or revolvers

E Small-calibre pistols or small-calibre revolvers ( .22 )

F Combination gun ( shotgun + rifle )

I Shotshells

J Rifle cartridges

K Small-calibre rifle cartridges ( .22 )

L Pistol or revolver cartridges
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#### Transfer licenses 2000

(Quantities included in the transfer permit broken down by countries and categories.)

	А	В	С	D	E	F	1	J	К	L
Austria	178	145	9	0	0	0	0	160 900	1 010 000	52 000
Belgium	737	30	8	30	0	0	0	76 800	252 700	487 900
Denmark	401	764	10	60	0	0	0	1 059 260	2 255 000	2 005 000
France	0	2 639	2	3	0	0	0	459 610	3 048 800	1 062 250
Germany	431	604	0	50	75	7	0	481 040	14 786 000	661 500
Greece	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10 200	315 900	191 100
Ireland	212	0	0	0	0	0	0	25 000	430 000	0
Italy	3	364	18	20	0	1	0	199 170	3 954 000	83 000
Luxemburg	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	154 700	325 000	421 800
Netherlands	30	169	10	60	0	0	0	17 000	10 000	200
Portugal	14	6	0	0	0	0	0	14 000	100 000	50 000
Spain	1	78	0	0	0	0	0	19 000	1 055 000	3 500
Sweden	61	1 572	56	0	0	20	50 000	1 446 300	1 281 600	133 000
UK	222	1 511	0	10	0	8	0	422 300	5 574 400	118 000
TOTAL	2 290	7 898	113	233	75	36	50 000	4 545 280	34 398 400	5 269 250

- A Shotguns
- B Rifles
- C Small-calibre rifles ( .22 )
- D Pistols or revolvers
- F Combination gun (shotgun + rifle)
- H Gas sprays
- I Shotshells
- J Rifle cartridges
- K Small-calibre rifle cartridges ( .22 )
- L Pistol or revolver cartridges