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DECISION No. 6/04
**OSCE STANDARD ELEMENTS OF END-USER CERTIFICATES AND
VERIFICATION PROCEDURES FOR SALW EXPORTS**

The Ministerial Council,

Willing to complement and reinforce the implementation of the OSCE Document on Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW), in particular with regard to export documentation,

Determined to contribute to reducing the risk of diversion of SALW into the illicit market,

Recognizing the need of strict export controls to prevent the destabilizing accumulation and uncontrolled spread of SALW, and the usefulness of developing standard elements among the participating States for application to end-user certificates which could be useful to other United Nations Member States,

Endorses and underlines the importance of FSC Decision No. 5/04 of 17 November 2004 on Standard Elements of End-User Certificates and Verification Procedures for SALW Exports.