IMPLEMENTATION OF UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 1540 (2004):
INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO CAPACITY BUILDING AND ASSISTANCE
A WORKSHOP HOSTED BY THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND
IN COOPERATION WITH UNITED NATIONS OFFICE FOR DISARMAMENT AFFAIRS
AND THE STIMSON CENTER

12-13 July 2012
Warsaw, Poland
Sheraton Warsaw Hotel

12 JULY
14:00 - lunch/registration

15:00 – 15:30
Welcome and Opening Remarks
- Mr. Adam Bugajski, Director of the Security Policy Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland
- Ambassador Baso Sangqu, Chairman, United Nations Security Council Resolution 1540 Committee (invited)
- Mr. Nikita Smidovich, UNODA (confirmed)
- Mr. Brian Finlay, The Stimson Center (confirmed)

15:30 – 17:30
Moderator: Mr. Wojciech Flera, Deputy Director, Security Policy Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland
Speakers:
- Mr. Nikita Smidovich, UNODA (confirmed)
- Ambassador Jacek Bylica, Head, WMD Non-proliferation Centre, NATO (confirmed)
- Mr. Mathew Geertsen, Head of the FSC Support Section, OSCE (confirmed)

This session will outline the current status of Resolution 1540, globally and across Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia. The discussion will initially focus on governments’ obligations under the measure, but will quickly turn to the more innovative collaborations pursued by regional organizations to help support broader societal security capacity building, awareness raising, and development of robust border and port security measures that effectively help prevent the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

Discussion and questions and answers
13 JULY

9:00 – 11:00
Security Challenges in Eastern Europe and Central Asia
Moderator: Mr. Brian Finlay, Senior Associate, The Stimson Center
Speakers:
- Mr. Patryk Pawlak, the European Union Institute for Security Studies (confirmed)
- Mr. Karl Lallerstedt, Strategy & Communications Director, Anti-Illlicit Trade Strategy, JT International SA (confirmed)
- Ms. Maria Lorenzo Sobrado, Terrorism Prevention Branch, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, UNODC (confirmed)

Despite making significant progress in the last decade, a range of security and development challenges continue to inhibit Eastern European and Central Asian states from reaching their full potential. Security challenges include: organized crime and terrorism; the trafficking of illicit drugs, small arms and humans; irregular labor migration; and the trafficking in nuclear, biological and chemical materials or dual-use technologies. This session will discuss the nature of these challenges, the causes and consequences, national and regional remediation strategies, and point to common strategies that might help ameliorate a wider spectrum of national challenges. It will also familiarize participants with a responsive model that link these high priority security and development concerns with implementation assistance available under UN Security Council Resolution 1540.

Discussion and additional regional perspectives from the floor

11:00 – 11:30
Coffee break

11:30 – 13:30
Assistance and Partnering Opportunities to Implement Resolution 1540
Moderator: Mr. Johan Bergenas, The Stimson Center (confirmed)
Speakers:
- Ambassador Bonnie Jenkins, Coordinator for Threat Reduction Programs (confirmed)
- Mr. Nico Frandi, EU External Action Service (confirmed)
- Mr. Anders Berntsson, Managing Director, Saab Technologies Poland (confirmed)

Participating states speeches on their assistance needs
Although implementation of UNSCR 1540 is a national responsibility, it today’s globalized world, they are not the only actors capable of promoting implementation of the Resolution. States, multilateral organizations, and private industry are all current and prospective actors that can assist governments in achieving security objectives through financial, technical and human capacity building. This session will present a menu of assistance and partnering opportunities available to states seeking to take additional Resolution 1540 implementation steps that will benefit broader security and societal needs. The session will also feature perspectives from industry, including partnering opportunities and challenges, as well as innovative technologies available to countries seeking to improve societal capacities relevant to UNSCR
1540, for example improving emergency management systems to border, port, maritime and infrastructure security.

Discussion and question and answers

13:30 – 15:00
Lunch
Discussion in delegations on assistance/partnerships
Interested delegations can meet bilaterally with Resolution 1540 Experts, assistance providers, private sector actors, or with one another to exchange information on access to implementation assistance, national implementation practices, regional cooperation, interagency cooperation, among other topics.

15:00 – 16:30
Effective practices in national implementation
Moderator: Mr. Łukasz Zieliński, Permanent Mission of Poland to the UN, New York
Speakers:
- 1540 Committee representative (TBC)
- Ms. Sanja Bujas Juraga, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Croatia (confirmed)
- Ms. Monika Lipert-Sowa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland (confirmed)

Participating states speeches on their experience in the national implementation
This working session will help participants in identifying effective practices that ease the process of implementation. It will outline the importance of preparing national implementation plans and hosting country visits. It will also point to the corollary benefits of nonproliferation engagement. Exchange of experience on national implementation, including challenges related to the interagency cooperation will be also a subject of discussion.

Discussion and question and answers

16.30 – 17:00
Coffee break

17:00 – 17:30
Conclusions: The Path Ahead. Possible initiatives for future regional cooperation for the implementation of UNSCR 1540.
Speakers:
- Ambassador Baso Sangqu, Chairman, United Nations Security Council Resolution 1540 Committee (invited)
- Nikita Smidovich, UNODA (confirmed)
- Brian Finlay, The Stimson Center (confirmed)
- Mr. Adam Bugajski, Director of the Security Policy Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland (confirmed)

IMPORTANT: throughout the seminar the delegations will have an opportunity to conduct bilateral consultations with representatives of the 1540 Committee, in order to discuss possibilities of cooperation in the implementation of the Resolution.