

APPROVED 1540 COMMITTEE MATRIX

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A “?” in any data field signifies that the references to legislative or other measures may not be directly relevant or are incomplete.

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I. OP 1 and related matters from OP 5, OP 8 (a), (b), (c) and OP10

Adherence to legally binding instruments, membership of organisations, participation in arrangements and statements made.		Relevant information (i.e. signing, deposit of instrument of accession, ratification, etc)	Remarks (information refers to the page of the English version of the national report or an official web site)
1	Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT)	Deposit 4 October 1995	
2	Nuclear Weapons Free Zone/ Protocol(s)	Pelindaba Treaty: Deposit 24 July 2012	
3	International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism	Deposit 12 March 2007	
4	Convention on Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (CPPNM)	Deposit 18 May 2007	
5	2005 Amendment to the CPPNM		
6	Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) (not in force)	Signed 12 December 1996	
7	Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC)	Deposit 18 August 2006	
8	Biological Weapons Convention (BWC)		
9	Geneva Protocol of 1925		
10	1997 International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings	Deposit 25 September 2003	
11	1999 International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism	Deposit 25 September 2003	

12	2005 Protocol to the Convention for the suppression of unlawful acts against the safety of maritime navigation		
13	2005 Protocol to the Protocol for the suppression of unlawful acts against the safety of fixed platforms located on the continental shelf		
14	2010 Convention on the Suppression of Unlawful Acts Relating to International Civil Aviation		
15	Other relevant regional legally binding instruments	OAU Convention on the Prevention and Combating of Terrorism, deposit 14 September 2002 Bamako Convention on the ban of the import into Africa and the control of transboundary movement and management of hazardous wastes within Africa, deposit 16 April 2004	
16	International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)	Since 2014	
17	Directly relevant Arrangements		
18	Statement on non-provision of WMD and related materials to non-State actors	States reports that the Union of the Comoros does not provide any form of support or assistance to non-State actors that attempt to develop, acquire, manufacture, possess, transport, transfer or use nuclear, chemical or biological weapons or their means of delivery.	
19	Membership in relevant international, regional or sub-regional organisations	African Union (AU) Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) International Maritime Organization (IMO) International Monetary Fund (IMF) Indian Ocean Commission (IOC) INTERPOL Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) Southern African Development Community (SADC) World Bank Group World Customs Organization (WCO) and signed Declaration on Implementation of the WCO 2005 Framework of Standards to Secure and Facilitate Global Trade World Health Organization (WHO) State Party to the Cotonou Agreement	

II. OP 2 - Nuclear Weapons (NW), Chemical Weapons (CW) and Biological Weapons (BW)

National legislation which prohibits persons or entities to engage in one of the following activities and its enforcement		National legal framework						Enforcement and civil/criminal penalties			Remarks
		X / ?			Source document of national implementation law	X / ?			Source document		
		N W	C W	B W		N W	C W	B W			
1	manufacture	X	X		<p>NW: Constitution Article 10 (The treaties or agreements duly ratified or approved have a higher authority than the laws of the Union and the islands) in conjunction with the NPT and Treaty of Pelindaba</p> <p>CW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with Conventional Weapons Convention (CWC)</p>						
2	acquire	X	X		<p>NW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with the NPT and Treaty of Pelindaba</p> <p>CW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with CWC</p>						
3	possess	X	X		<p>NW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with the Treaty of Pelindaba</p> <p>CW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with CWC</p>						
4	develop	X	X		<p>NW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with the NPT and Treaty of Pelindaba</p> <p>CW:</p>						

					Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with CWC				
5	transport	X			NW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with the NPT and Treaty of Pelindaba				
6	transfer		X		CW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with CWC				
7	use	X	X	X	NW/CW/BW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism CW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with CWC	?	X	?	NW/CW/BW: Penal Code, Articles 285, 286 and 305 (poisoning people), 422 (poisoning land and/or animals)
8	attempt to engage in abovementioned activities	?	X	?	NW/CW/BW: Penal Code Articles 2 and 3	?	X	?	NW/CW/BW: Penal Code Articles 2 and 3
9	participate as an accomplice in abovementioned activities	X	X	X	NW/CW/BW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings Penal Code, Articles 44 and 45	?	X	?	NW/CW/BW: Penal Code, Articles 44 and 45 (only for use)
10	assist in abovementioned activities	X	X	X	NW/CW/BW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings Penal Code, Articles 44 and 45 CW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with CWC	?	X	?	CW/BW: Penal Code, Articles 44 and 45 (only for use)

11	finance abovementioned activities	X	X	X	NW/CW/BW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism Law No. 12-008 of 28 June 2012 on Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing CW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with CWC	X	X	X	NW/CW/BW: Law No. 12-008 of 28 June 2012 on Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing, Article 37, 41 to 43 Decree No. 03-0251/PR on Financial Intelligence Unit Financial Intelligence Unit
12	abovementioned activities related to means of delivery ¹		X		CW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with CWC				

1. Means of delivery: missiles, rockets and other unmanned systems capable of delivering nuclear, chemical, or biological weapons that are specially designed for such use.

III. OP 3 (a) and (b) - Account for/Secure/Physically protect NW, CW and BW, including Related Materials ²

	Measures to establish domestic controls to prevent the proliferation of NW, CW, BW, and their means of delivery; controls over related materials	National legal and/or regulatory framework			Enforcement and civil/criminal penalties			Remarks	
		X / ?			X / ?				
		N W	C W	B W *	N W	C W	B W		
1	Measures to account for production	X	X	?		X	X	?	<p>NW: INFCIRC 274 and SQP Additional Protocol, 20 January 2009 Law No. 94-018 of 22 June 1994 on Environment Code, Articles 66 and 67</p> <p>CW: Law No. 94-018 of 22 June 1994 on Environment Code, Articles 66 and 67</p> <p>BW: Law No. 11-001/AU of 26 March 2001 on Public Health Code</p>
2	Measures to account for use	X	?			X	?		<p>NW: INFCIRC 274 and SQP Additional Protocol, 20 January 2009</p> <p>CW: Law No. 11-001/AU of 26 March 2001 on Public Health Code</p>
3	Measures to account for storage	X				X			<p>NW: INFCIRC 274 and SQP Additional Protocol, 20 January 2009</p>
4	Measures to account for transport	?	?			?	?		<p>NW/CW: Law No. 94-018 of 22 June 1994 on Environment Code, Articles 66 and 67</p>

								Ministry of Environment – General Directorate of Environment	
5	Measures to secure production	N A			NW: SQP	N A		NW: SQP	
6	Measures to secure use	N A			NW: SQP	N A		NW: SQP	
7	Measures to secure storage	N A			NW: SQP	N A		NW: SQP	
8	Measures to secure transport								
9	Physical protection measures	N A			NW: SQP	N A		NW: SQP	
10	Personnel Reliability								

2. Related materials: materials, equipment and technology covered by relevant multilateral treaties and arrangements, or included on national control lists, which could be used for the design, development, production or use of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons and their means of delivery.

* Information required in this section may also be available in the State's Confidence Building Measures report, if submitted to the BWC Implementation Support Unit (online at: [http://www.unog.ch/80256EE600585943/\(httpPages\)/4FA4DA37A55C7966C12575780055D9E8?OpenDocument](http://www.unog.ch/80256EE600585943/(httpPages)/4FA4DA37A55C7966C12575780055D9E8?OpenDocument))

IV. OP 3 (a) and (b) - Account for/Secure/Physically protect NW including Related Materials (NW specific)

Measures to establish domestic controls to prevent the proliferation of NW, and their means of delivery; controls over related materials		Source document	Remarks
1	National regulatory authority		
2	Licensing of nuclear installations/entities/ use of materials	Law No. 11-001/AU of 26 March 2001 on Public Health Code	
3	IAEA Safeguards Agreements	INFCIRC 274 20 January 2009 and SQP Additional Protocol, 20 January 2009	
4	IAEA Code of Conduct on Safety and Security of Radioactive Sources		
5	Supplementary Guidance on the Import and Export of Radioactive Sources of the Code of Conduct on the Safety and Security of Radioactive Sources		
6	IAEA Incident and Trafficking Database		
7	Integrated Nuclear Security Support Plan (INSSP) / International Physical Protection Advisory Service (IPPAS)	INSSP approved	
8	Applying the physical protection recommendations in INFCIRC/225/Rev.5		
9	Other Agreements related to IAEA		

10	National legislation and regulations related to nuclear material including CPPNM		
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V. OP 3 (a) and (b) - Account for/Secure/Physically protect CW including Related Materials (CW specific)

Measures to establish domestic controls to prevent the proliferation of CW, and their means of delivery; controls over related materials		Source document	Remarks
1	National CWC authority		
2	Licensing/registration of installations/facilities/ persons/entities/use/ handling of related materials	Law No. 11-001/AU of 26 March 2001 on Public Health Code	
3	Old or abandoned chemical weapons		

VI. OP 3 (a) and (b) - Account for/Secure/Physically protect BW including Related Materials (BW specific)

Measures to establish domestic controls to prevent the proliferation of BW, their means of delivery; controls over related materials	Source document	Remarks
1 Licensing/registration of installations/facilities/ persons/entities/use/ handling of materials	Law No. 11-001/AU of 26 March 2001 on Public Health Code	

VII. OP 3 (c) and (d) and related matters from OP 6 - Controls of NW, CW and BW, including Related Materials

Border controls and export and trans-shipment controls to prevent the proliferation of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons and their means of delivery including related materials		National legal framework					Enforcement and civil/criminal penalties					Remarks
		X / ?			Source document	X / ?			Source document			
		N W	C W	B W		N W	C W	B W				
1	Border control to detect, deter, prevent and combat illicit trafficking	X	X	X	NW/CW/BW: Customs Code (Articles 8bis, 21)	X	X	X	NW/CW/BW: Customs General Directorate, Ministry of Directorates in Ministry of Finance, Budget, Economy & Planning			
2	Law enforcement to detect, deter, prevent and combat illicit trafficking	X	X	X	NW/CW/BW: Customs Code (Article 8bis)	X	X	X	NW/CW/BW: Customs General Directorate, Ministry of Directorates in Ministry of Finance, Budget, Economy & Planning			
3	Border control detection measures					?	?	?	NW/CW/BW: Use of ASYCUDA++ in all the main Customs posts			
4	Control of brokering											
5	Export control legislation in place	?	?		NW/CW: Law No. 94-018 of 22 June 1994 on Environment Code, Articles 66 and 67	?	?		NW/CW: Law No. 94-018 of 22 June 1994 on Environment Code, Article 88 Ministry of Environment – General Directorate of Environment			
6	Licensing provisions and Authority	?	?		NW/CW: Law No. 94-018 of 22 June 1994 on Environment Code, Articles 66 and 67	?	?		NW/CW: Law No. 94-018 of 22 June 1994 on Environment Code, Article 88 Ministry of Environment – General Directorate of Environment CW:			

									Law No. 11-001/AU of 26 March on Public Health Code	
7	Control lists of materials, equipment and technology	?	?		NW/CW: Law No. 94-018 of 22 June 1994 on Environment Code, Article 67					
8	Intangible technology transfers									
9	Inclusion of means of delivery									
10	End-user controls									
11	Catch all clause									
12	Transit control									
13	Trans-shipment control									
14	Re-export control									
15	Control over financing of exports/transshipments that would contribute to proliferation	?	?	?	NW/CW/BW: Constitution Article 10 in conjunction with International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism Law No. 12-008 of 28 June 2012 on Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing	?	?	?	NW/CW/BW: Law No. 12-008 of 28 June 2012 on Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing, Article 37, 41 to 43 Decree No. 03-0251/PR on Financial Intelligence Unit Financial Intelligence Unit	
16	Control over services related to exports/transshipments that would contribute to proliferation including transportation									

VIII. OP 7 and 8 (d) - Assistance, Work with and inform Industry and Public, and other Information

1	Assistance offered	
2	Assistance Point of Contact (for assistance providers only)	
3	Assistance requested	
4	Action taken to work with and inform industry	
5	Action taken to work with and inform the public	
6	Point of Contact	
7	Voluntary National Implementation Action Plan (NAP)	
8	1540 Committee visits to States	