

## Information Note<sup>1</sup>

<b>Event:</b>	1540 Committee Visit to China, at the invitation of its Government
<b>Organizer:</b>	Government of China
<b>Date and Venue:</b>	23-24 October 2014, Beijing, China
<b>Participants:</b>	Government of China, Chair of the 1540 Committee and Committee member, 1540 Committee experts

### 1. Objectives of Participation of 1540 experts:

- Discuss issues related to the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004) and future steps by China, including the submission of additional information and the option of a voluntary national implementation action plan.
- Encourage China to provide effective practices on its implementation of resolution 1540 (2004).
- Continue the cooperation with the Government of China and to assure further efforts in strengthening the implementation and the possible contribution from the Government of China to the 1540 assistance requests, especially in a regional context.

### 2. Background

- Resolution 1977 (2011) encourages the 1540 Committee, with the support of necessary relevant expertise, to actively engage in dialogue with States on the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004), including through visits to States at their invitation. Since the adoption of resolution 1977 (2011), the Committee has conducted visits to Albania, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, Congo, Grenada, Madagascar, Malawi, Niger, Republic of Korea, Trinidad and Tobago and the United States.
- A Note Verbal from the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations extended an invitation to the Chair of the 1540 Committee and its Group of experts to undertake a visit to China from 23 to 24 October 2014.

### 3. Assessment

The agenda included a courtesy call on the Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. LI Baodong, a meeting with Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA), Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) and the General Administration of China Customs (GACC), a meeting with academia and industry and a site visit to Tianjin Dongjiang Free Trade Port Zone.

This visit to China helped the Committee gain first-hand knowledge of China's non-proliferation policy, legislative and regulatory framework and enforcement measures by the various stakeholders to implement resolution 1540 (2004). Also, the ministries and agencies directly

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involved in the implementation of resolution 1540 in China had a good opportunity to share their practices and perspectives with the Committee. This greatly enhanced the Committee's understanding of how the resolution is being implemented in China.

4. **Additional comments**

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