



Project Summary Document

Programme Office in Bishkek

Project Title: Reducing risk of illicit small arms and light weapons, ammunition and explosives proliferation across border of Kyrgyz Republic

General Information

<p>Type of project: EXB Project No.:</p> <p>OSCE Dimension: Politico-Military Thematic Category: SALW/SCA, Border Management Geographical Area: Central Asia (CA) UB Programme Name: B.1 Politico-Military Dimension Multi-unit/Executive Structure: No</p> <p>Starting Date: 01 January 2023 Ending Date: 30 June 2026 Total Financial Requirements (in Euro): 5,756,555</p> <p>GENDER MARKER: Score 1 SDG Contribution: 16. Promotion of peaceful and inclusive societies, 16a Strengthen institutions to prevent violence and combatting terrorism and crime and 16.4 Reduction illicit arms flows and combatting all forms of organized crime</p> <p>External Partners: / Implementing Partner: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes X No Beneficiaries: Border Service of the State Committee for National Security of the Kyrgyz Republic</p>	<p><u>PROJECT MANAGER</u></p> <p>Name: Mr. Aleksandr Eliseev Title: Head of Politico-Military Department E-mail: alexander.eliseev@osce.org Telephone: +996 312 61 24 45 (ext.7117)</p> <p><u>FUND MANAGER</u></p> <p>Name: Mr. Alexey Rogov, Head of Programme Office Date of approval: Signature:</p> <p>Approval of Interim Progress Reports delegated to Programme Manager (except final narrative report / self-evaluation report which shall be signed by the Fund Manager)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
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Project Overview:

The project addresses the increased risk of illicit small arms and light weapons (SALW), ammunition and explosives proliferation across border of Kyrgyz Republic incurred with the collapse of Afghanistan's central government in August 2021. The project was developed in response to specific assistance request made by the Border Service of the State Committee for National Security of the Kyrgyz Republic. It aims to develop the Border Service capacities to prevent and combat illicit trafficking of SALW ammunition and explosives comprehensively and address their short- to mid-term needs. The project will be implemented by the OSCE Programme Office in Bishkek (OSCE POIB) with the substantial support of the OSCE Conflict Prevention Centre/ Forum for Security Co-operation Support Unit (CPC/FSC SU).

Project Objectives:

To reduce risk of illicit SALW, CA and explosives proliferation across Kyrgyzstan's border.



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Project Results: (max. 10 lines)

Result 1: The use of explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) of the State Border Service of the Kyrgyz Republic is strengthened.

Result 2: Upgraded physical security and stockpile management of SALW, CA and engineering equipment of the Border Service.

Result 3: The use of K9 service capability in detection of illicit SALW, CA and explosives of the Border Service is enhanced.

Result 4: Integrated approach to combatting illicit trafficking of SALW, CA and explosives of the Border Service is enhanced.

Summary of Project Strategy:

The Kyrgyz Republic requested practical assistance in the field of SALW and SCA on behalf of the Border Service and the Ministry of Defence at the 988th meeting of the OSCE Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC) on 13 October 2021 (FSC.DEL/375/21).

In the assistance request, the Border Service identified the following security and safety risks: (a) uncontrolled spread of SALW and SCA across borders in the light of the unpredictable situation in Afghanistan. The illegal supply of SALW and CA, even in limited quantities, combined with other transnational threats, could seriously undermine security and stability in the Kyrgyz Republic and the entire Central Asian region; and (b) presence of obsolete SCA and poor physical security and stockpile management, including infrastructure elements, that could lead to unplanned explosions and/or potential diversion of SCA at storage sites.

The proposed project aims to reduce the risk of illicit SALW, CA and explosive proliferation across the Kyrgyz Republic border. This will be achieved by enhancing the capabilities of the Border Service of the State Committee for National Security of the Kyrgyz Republic (Border Service) in the following fields: disposal of explosive ordnance (Result 1), physical security and stockpile management of SALW, CA and engineering equipment (Result 2), canine (K9) service in support of detection of illicit SALW, CA and explosives (Result 3) and an integrated approach to combatting illicit trafficking of SALW, CA and explosives (Result 4).

The foreseen activities are devised comprehensively in line with the capability enabling line model, i.e. strengthening several constitute elements of the Border Service capability in combatting illicit trafficking of SALW, ammunition and explosives such as regulations, organizational framework, education/training, infrastructure and material (equipping), personnel framework and information management in line with international standards and OSCE best practices on SALW.

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The project anticipates a phased approach to developing the Border Service capabilities. The proposed multi-year project intervention (from 1 Jan. 2023 to 30 Jun. 2026) was developed to respond to short- and medium-term needs of the Border Service identified during the needs assessment.