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**DECISION No. 7/08
BEST PRACTICE GUIDES ON STOCKPILES OF
CONVENTIONAL AMMUNITION**

The Forum for Security Co-operation (FSC),

Reaffirming its commitment to the full implementation of the OSCE Document on Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition (FSC.DOC/1/03), in which participating States agreed to consider developing a “best practice” guide of techniques and procedures for the destruction of conventional ammunition, explosive material and detonating devices, and the management and control of stockpiles,

Noting that this guide would cover, *inter alia*, standards and procedures for the proper management and control of stockpiles of conventional ammunition,

Recalling the work of the Group of Governmental Experts established by UN General Assembly resolution 61/72 of 6 December 2006 to consider further steps to enhance co-operation with regard to the issue of conventional ammunition and considering the possible contribution the Handbook can make to its work,

Recognizing the work done by participating States to complete this task,

Decides:

- To welcome the development of the Best Practice Guide on Physical Security on Stockpiles of Conventional Ammunition, FSC.DEL/56/08/Rev.2, which covers, *inter alia*, general recommendations and practical advice for ensuring physical security and exercising duty of care of stockpiles of conventional ammunition, and endorse it for publication;
- To welcome the development of the Best Practice Guide on Destruction of Conventional Ammunition, FSC.DEL/59/08/Rev.1, which covers, *inter alia*, general recommendations and practical advice for destruction of surplus or outdated conventional ammunition, and endorse it for publication.