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For a restrictive arms export policy (lines 7058 to 7072)

We will further restrict arms exports to third countries that are neither NATO nor EU member states, nor equal to them. In addition to the [Small Arms Principles of May 2015](#), small arms should in principle no longer be exported to third countries. In 2018, we will tighten the [arms export guidelines from 2000](#) and thus react to the changed circumstances.

Henceforth we will not authorise exports to countries as long as they are directly involved in the Yemen war. Companies will receive protection of the principle of legitimate expectation, provided that they prove that already approved deliveries remain exclusively in the recipient country. We also want to discuss this restrictive export policy with regard to Yemen with our partners in the field of European joint projects.

On this basis, we also aim for a common European arms export policy and want to further develop the Common Position [2008/944/CFSP, 8 December 2008] of the EU.