The European Union is sponsoring up to ten (10) participants to attend the two-week Fourth Review Conference taking place from 17-28 June 2024 in New York. The Sponsorship Programme is managed by the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs

SELECTION CRITERIA
Sponsorship is open to countries classified among the Least Developed Countries by the Development Assistance Committee of the OECD and those most affected by illicit small arms and light weapons that have demonstrated a continued commitment to the implementation of the PoA.

Sponsorship will be provided to one person per country, and nominations are encouraged to be from a member of small arms national coordinating body, designated PoA national points of contact or an official directly involved in the national implementation of the Programme of Action.

Additional selection criteria for the sponsored participants are regional representation and gender equity.

HOW TO APPLY
Interested eligible Member States are invited to apply for sponsorship and nominate a participant by 15 March 2024 through official letter or note verbale to the Office for Disarmament Affairs: conventionalarms-unoda@un.org.

Letter should include the full name, official title and passport copy of the nominated participant.

SPONSORSHIP WILL COVER:

- **Round-trip travel to/from New York** in economy class air ticket on a recognized public carrier, at the most economical rate, via the shortest, most direct route, in accordance with existing United Nations regulations and rules. All air travel paid for by the Organization will be arranged through the UN travel agency.

- **Daily subsistence allowance**: Participants will receive a daily subsistence allowance (DSA) at a standard rate, which will be payable per night.

- **Terminal expenses**: Participants will receive ‘terminal expenses’, which are the costs of transport to and from the airport of departure, and from New York airport to their place of accommodation, in accordance with UN rules and regulations.

- **Visa fees**: Fees associated with obtaining visas to the United States will be covered. However, the visa application process will be the responsibility of the participant.

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