

**First National Conference on small arms and
light weapons**
**In support of the implementation of the sadc protocol
on firearms and ammunition**
AGENDA

SUNDAY 6 OCTOBER – ARRIVAL

The arrival of participants at conference venue in Windhoek.

DAY ONE

MONDAY 7 OCTOBER

0800 - 0830 - **Registration of National Participants**

0830 - 0940 - **Official Opening Ceremony**

Director of Ceremony: Mr. V. Nghiwete (Permanent Secretary – Ministry of Foreign Affairs)

- Arrival of the Inspector-General of the Namibian Police, Lt-Gen. L.P. Hangula
- Arrival of Members of the Diplomatic Corps
- Arrival of Members of the National Assembly and National Council
- Arrival of Honourable Ministers
- Arrival of Rt. Honourable Prime Minister
- National & AU Anthems
- Welcoming remarks by the Minister of Home Affairs, Honourable J. Ekandjo, MP.
- Opening Address by the Rt. Honourable Prime Minister of the Republic of Namibia, Rt. Hon. Theo-Ben Gurirab
- Vote of thanks by the Inspector-General of the Namibian police, Lt-Gen. L. P. Hangula
- Welcoming remarks by Adv. Clement Daniels, NANGOF

(Representing the Civil Society, Namibia)

- AU & National Anthems
- Departure of the Rt. Honourable Prime Minister
- End of Opening Ceremony

0940 - 1030 -

Session One:

The United Nations Programme of Action and the African Initiatives

Co-Chairs: Amb M. Donowaki and Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Namibia.

An overview of commitments (15" to each speaker) as follows:

- a) The United Nations Programme of Action
 - Amb C. Dos Santos
- b) The OAU Bamako Declaration
 - Ms V. Gamba
- c) The Nairobi Declaration and its Action Plan
 - Mr M.O.A. Okoth
- d) Practical Implementation of Action: alternatives for action – Amb C. Reyes.

1030 - 1100 -

Coffee Break

1100 - 1230 -

Session Two:

The region of Southern Africa and its initiatives.

Co-Chairs: Representative from the SADC Troika Chair (Angola) and Amb C. Dos Santos (Mozambique).

Presentations (15" to each speaker) as follows:

- a) SARPCCO, SADC and the SADC Protocol on Firearms – Mr W. Brisley (Legal Officer – Namibian Police)
- b) The SADC-EU process on small arms
 - Mr P. Eavis (Saferworld)
- c) The All Africa and Partners meeting on Implementation – Ms V.Gamba (SaferAfrica).

1230 - 1400 - Lunch

1400 - 1530 - **Session Three:**
Implementing Commitments.
Co-Chairs: Amb C. Reyes and Mr J. Potgieter (SaferAfrica and AMAD Tanzania)

Presentations (15" to each speaker) as follows:

- a) The Legislative Aspects of Implementation
- Mr R. de Caris (SaferAfrica)
- b) The Operational Measures of Implementation
- Com E. Batshu (Botswana)
- c) The Role of civil society in Implementation
- Namibian NGO tba
- d) Implementation in Action: Case Study Tanzania
- APC D. Hayuma (Tanzania).

1530 - 1600 - Tea Break

1600 - 1730 - **Session Four:**
Namibian National Initiatives and Implementation.
Co-chairs: Representatives of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of the Interior (Home Affairs).

Presentations (15" to each speaker) as follows:

- a) Review of Namibian Legislation:
Mr W. Brisley (Legal Officer – Namibian Police)
- b) Capacity Building of Law Enforcement:
Mr F Nghiishiliwa (Dep. Insp. Gen. Operations – Namibian Police)
- c) Potential role of civil society in Namibia: Ms S. Hlongwa (SaferAfrica)
 - i. Education, training and public awareness
 - ii. Micro development and business sector
 - iii. Collection and monitoring

- iv. Research and facilitation
- v. Community support mechanisms.

1900 - Official Welcoming Banquet

DAY TWO
TUESDAY 8 OCTOBER

0900 - 1030 - **Session Five:**
Workshops for participants on potential practical projects. Chairs: Chairs to be chosen among invited experts and civil society.

Conference divide into five workshops divide the participants and look at:

- i. education and training and public awareness
- ii. micro development and business sector
- iii. collection and monitoring
- iv. research and facilitation
- v. community support mechanisms.

1030 - 1100 - Coffee break

1100 - 1230 - **Report back:**
Report back and summary of results and general discussion on the potential generation of an action plan for Namibia.
Chair: SaferAfrica

1230 - 1400 - Lunch

1400 - 1730 - **Parallel sessions:**

1. Civil Society participants – voluntary networking session (venue and agenda to be announced)
2. Governmental Closed session: Government officials to discuss the blueprint of the needs emerging for

a coordinated implementation plan for Namibia.
Facilitation of closed Governmental session:
Invited experts Ambs M. Donowaki, C. Reyes and
C. Dos Santos; Tanzanian official, SARPCCO
and SADC, SaferAfrica and Saferworld.

- Workshop with inter-agency officials with facilitation by experts on:
 - a) what structures need to be put in place for oversight;
 - b) what coordination needs to be put in place between Police and Foreign Affairs, and between Namibia, SADC and UN processes;
 - c) what capacity needs to be built to sustain the effort;
 - d) undertaking a national assessment of needs (mapping of the arms situation in Namibia and its immediate region: including the legislation, operational measures, strengthening of operational capacity, micro-development, public awareness, recordkeeping, licensing, border controls, etc); and the
 - e) creation of a comprehensive national plan of action.

- Final recommendations.

DAY THREE
WEDNESDAY 9 OCTOBER

- 0900 - 1030 - Official closure of the National Conference:
The final outcome document is read and approved by all participants. Chair: Namibian police
Facilitator: Amb M. Donowaki
- 1030 - 1100 - Coffee break
- 1100 - 1145 - **Official Closing Ceremony**

Director of Ceremony: Deputy Commissioner J.B. Tjivikua

- National & AU Anthems
- Remarks by Ms. Virginia Gamba, Director:
SaferAfrica (Sponsor)
- Remarks by Adv. Clements Daniels, NANGOF
(Representing the Civil Society, Namibia)
- Closing remarks by the Honourable Deputy
Minister of Home Affairs, Loide Kasingo
- Vote of thanks by the Mr. N. Taapopi: Permanent
Secretary: Ministry of Home Affairs
- AU & National Anthems
- End of Closing Ceremony

1145 - 1300 - Finger lunch for press and all participants for press opportunities for release of outcome document and to obtain copies of the keynote speech.