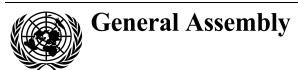
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The Permanent Mission of Sweden to the United Nations requests the Secretariat to circulate this report to delegations of the United Nations as a document of the United Nations Conference on the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects, to be held from 9 to 20 July 2001.