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Montreux+5 Conference: Chairs' Conclusions

We have the pleasure to convey to you the Chairs' Conclusions pronounced at the Montreux+5 Conference organised jointly by the Swiss Government and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), in cooperation with the Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF). The Conclusions will also be made available at the following website:

http://www.eda.admin.ch/eda/en/home/topics/intla/humlaw/pse/psechi.html

The Montreux+5 Conference has provided a valuable opportunity for States and international organizations to share experiences in respect to regulation of private military and security companies (PMSCs) and to identify ways to support both implementation and wider endorsement of the Montreux Document.

Once again, we would like to seize this opportunity to encourage States and International Organizations having not yet done so to communicate their support for the Montreux Document. We are convinced that wider support would enable a significant improvement of our cooperation.

Switzerland and the ICRC are available for bilateral talks with interested States at all times. Views and ideas notably on how to promote further support may be sent to: dv-humvoelkerrecht@eda.admin.ch

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