

# 1540 COMMITTEE MATRIX OF OMAN

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## OP 1 and related matters from OP 5, OP 6, OP 8 (a), (b), (c) and OP 10

<b>State:</b>	<b>Oman</b>
<b>Date of 1<sup>st</sup> Report</b>	<b>17 December 2004</b>
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Legally binding instruments, organizations, codes of conduct, arrangements, statements and other issues.		YES	if YES, relevant information (i.e. signing, accession, ratification, etc)	Remarks (information refers to the page of the English version of the national report or an official web site)
1	Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT)	X	Deposit 23 January 1997	
2	Nuclear Weapons Free Zone/ Protocol(s)			
3	Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism			
4	Convention on Physical Protection of Nuclear	X	Ratified 11 June 2003	

	Material (CPPNM)			
5	2005 Amendment to the CPPNM			
6	Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) (not in force)	X	Deposit 13 June 2003	
7	Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC)	X	Deposit 8 February 1995	
8	Biological Weapons Convention (BWC)	X	Deposit 31 March 1992	
9	Geneva Protocol of 1925			
10	Other Conventions/Treaties	X	State party to 11 of the 19 universal legal instruments against terrorism, including the following relevant to resolution 1540 (2004): 2005 International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism 10 October 2011	
11	International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)	X	Member since 2009	
12	Hague Code of Conduct (HCOC)			
13	Other Arrangements			
14	General statement on non-possession of WMD	X	State reports that it does not possess nuclear, chemical or biological weapons	
15	General statement on commitment to disarmament and non-proliferation	X	State reports that it is committed to the goals of nuclear non-proliferation.	
16	General statement on non-provision of WMD and related materials to non-State actors	X	State reports that it has no experience in the area of weapons of mass destruction, and consequently does not provide any support in this area to either States or non-State actors.	
17	Other <sup>1</sup>	X	Member of: Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) International Maritime Organisation (IMO) League of Arab States Middle East and North Africa Financial Action Task Force (MENAFATF) World Health Organisation (WHO) World Animal Health Organisation (OIE) World Customs Organisation (WCO SAFE Framework)	

1. Including, as appropriate, information with regard to membership in relevant international, regional or sub-regional organizations.

**OP 2 - Nuclear Weapons (NW), Chemical Weapons (CW) and Biological Weapons (BW)**

Does national legislation exist which prohibits persons or entities to engage in one of the following activities? Can violators be penalized?		National legal framework						Enforcement: civil/criminal penalties and others			Remarks
		YES			if YES, source document of national implementation law	YES			if YES, source document		
		N W	C W	B W		N W	C W	B W			
1	manufacture/produce	X	X	X	<p><b>NW/CW/BW:</b> Royal Decree No. 101/97 (treaties acceded to have force of domestic law) NW Royal Decree No. 91/96 of 22 October 1996 (NPT)</p> <p><b>CW</b> Royal Decree No. 122/94 of 10 December 1994 (Ratifying the CWC) Royal Decree 21/97 on the Regime for the Implementation of the Convention (12 April 1997)</p> <p><b>BW</b> Royal Decree No. 17/92 (Act ratifying BWC) Royal Decree</p>						
2	acquire	X	X	X	<p><b>NW/CW/BW:</b> Royal Decree No. 101/97 (treaties acceded to have force of domestic law) NW Royal Decree No. 91/96 of 22 October 1996 (NPT)</p> <p><b>CW</b> Royal Decree No. 122/94 of 10 December 1994 (Ratifying the CWC) Royal Decree 21/97 on the Regime for the Implementation of the CWC (12 April 1997)</p> <p><b>BW</b></p>						

				Royal Decree No. 17/92 (Act ratifying BWC)				
3	possess		X	X	<b>NW/CW/BW:</b> Royal Decree No. 101/97 (treaties acceded to have force of domestic law) <b>CW</b> Royal Decree No. 122/94 of 10 December 1994 (Ratifying the CWC) Royal Decree 21/97 on the Regime for the Implementation of the CWC (12 April 1997) <b>BW</b> Royal Decree No. 17/92 (Act ratifying BWC)			:
4	stockpile/store		X	X	<b>NW/CW/BW:</b> Royal Decree No. 101/97 (treaties acceded to have force of domestic law) <b>CW</b> Royal Decree No. 122/94 of 10 December 1994 (Ratifying the CWC) Royal Decree 21/97 on the Regime for the Implementation of the CWC (12 April 1997) <b>BW</b> Royal Decree No. 17/92 (Act ratifying BWC)			
5	develop		X	X	<b>NW/CW/BW:</b> Royal Decree No. 101/97 (treaties acceded to have force of domestic law) <b>CW</b> Royal Decree No. 122/94 of 10 December 1994 (Ratifying the CWC) Royal Decree 21/97 on the Regime for the Implementation of the CWC (12 April 1997) <b>BW</b> Royal Decree No. 17/92 (Act ratifying BWC)			
6	transport							
7	transfer		X	X	<b>NW/CW/BW:</b> Royal Decree No. 101/97 (treaties acceded to have force of domestic law) <b>CW</b> Royal Decree No. 122/94 of 10 December 1994			

					(Ratifying the CWC) Royal Decree 21/97 on the Regime for the Implementation of the CWC (12 April 1997) <b>BW</b> Royal Decree No. 17/92 (Act ratifying BWC)					
8	use	X	X	X	<b>NW/CW/BW:</b> Royal Decree No. 101/97 (treaties acceded to have force of domestic law) <b>CW</b> Royal Decree No. 122/94 of 10 December 1994 (Ratifying the CWC) Royal Decree 21/97 on the Regime for the Implementation of the CWC (12 April 1997) <b>BW</b> Royal Decree No. 17/92 (Act ratifying BWC) :					
9	participate as an accomplice in abovementioned activities	X	X	X	<b>NW/CW/BW:</b> Penal Code Chapter III	X	X	X	<b>NW/CW/BW:</b> Penal Code Chapter III	
10	assist in abovementioned activities	X	X	X	<b>NW/CW/BW</b> Penal Code Chapter III <b>CW:</b> Constitution, Article 76 in conjunction with CWC Royal Decree	X	X	X	<b>NW/CW/BW:</b> Penal Code Chapter III	
11	finance abovementioned activities	?	?	?	<b>NW/CW/BW:</b> Law on Money Laundering (issued by Royal Decree No. 34/2002), Art 2, 11 (suspicious transaction)	?	?	?	<b>NW/CW/BW</b> Law on Money Laundering, Art 6, 7, 11, 15-18 The competent authority is the Directorate General of Criminal Inquiries and Investigations of the Royal Oman Police.	
12	abovementioned activities related to means of delivery <sup>2</sup>		X	X	<b>CW/BW:</b> Royal Decree No. 122/94 of 10 December 1994 (Ratifying the CWC) Royal Decree No. 17/92 (Act ratifying BWC))					
13	involvement of non-State actors in abovementioned activities	X	X	X	<b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> Royal Decree No. 36/90 as amended by Royal Decree No. 48/96 establishes measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons in the national territory or elsewhere...also arrangements in place to prevent the acquisition, trade, manufacture or use of any					

					weapons or ammunition by terrorists				
14	Other	?	?	?	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48, governs the issues of the acquisition of arms and ammunition and traffic in, repair, import and export of the same and the penalties for violation of the provisions of that law</p>	?	?	?	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48, governs the issues of the acquisition of arms and ammunition and traffic in, repair, import and export of the same and the penalties for violation of the provisions of that law</p>

2. Means of delivery: missiles, rockets and other unmanned systems capable of delivering nuclear, chemical, or biological weapons, that are specially designed for such use.

**OP 3 (a) and (b) - Account for/Secure/Physically protect NW, CW and BW, including Related Materials<sup>3</sup>**

Are any of the following measures, procedures or legislation in place to account for, secure or otherwise protect NW, CW, BW and Related Materials? Can violators be penalized?		National legal framework				Enforcement: civil/criminal penalties and others				Remarks
		YES			if YES, source document	YES			if YES, source document	
		N W	C W	B W *		N W	C W	B W		
1	Measures to account for production	X	X		<b>NW:</b> INFCIRC/691 and SQP <b>CW:</b> Royal Decree No. 122/94 of 10 December 1994 (CWC) Royal Decree 21/97 on the Regime for the Implementation of the CWC (12 April 1997)			X	<b>CW</b> Royal decree 5//95, Issuing the Law on Handling and Use of Chemicals. Ministry of Regional Municipalities, Environment and Water Resources	
2	Measures to account for use	X	X		<b>NW:</b> INFCIRC/691 and SQP <b>CW:</b> Royal Decree No. 122/94 of 10 December 1994 (CWC) Royal Decree 21/97 on the Regime for the Implementation of the CWC (12 April 1997)			X	<b>CW</b> Royal decree 5//95, Issuing the Law on Handling and Use of Chemicals. Ministry of Regional Municipalities, Environment and Water Resources	
3	Measures to account for storage	X	X		<b>NW:</b> INFCIRC/691 and SQP <b>CW:</b> Royal Decree No. 122/94 of 10 December 1994 (CWC) Royal Decree 21/97 on the Regime for the Implementation of the CWC (12 April 1997)			X	<b>CW</b> Royal decree 5//95, Issuing the Law on Handling and Use of Chemicals. Ministry of Regional Municipalities, Environment and Water Resources	

4	Measures to account for transport								
5	Other measures for accounting								
6	Measures to secure production								
7	Measures to secure use								
8	Measures to secure storage		X				?		<b>CW</b> Ministerial Decision Number 317/2001, Issuing the Regulations for the Packing, Packaging, and Labelling of Hazardous Chemicals
9	Measures to secure transport								
10	Other measures for securing								
11	Regulations for physical protection of facilities/materials/transports								
12	Licensing/registration of installations/facilities/persons/entities/use/handling of materials		X				X		<b>CW</b> Ministerial Decision No. 248/97, Ministry of Regional Municipalities, Environment and Water Resources [issuing the regulations for the registration of hazardous chemical substance and the relevant permits] (6 July 1997)
13	Reliability check of personnel								
14	Measures to account for/secure/ physically protect means of delivery								

3. Related materials: materials, equipment and technology covered by relevant multilateral treaties and arrangements, or included on national control lists, which could be used for the design, development, production or use of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons and their means of delivery.

\* Information required in this section may also be available in the State's Confidence Building Measures report, if submitted to the BWC Implementation Support Unit (online at: [http://www.unog.ch/80256EE600585943/\(httpPages\)/4FA4DA37A55C7966C12575780055D9E8?OpenDocument](http://www.unog.ch/80256EE600585943/(httpPages)/4FA4DA37A55C7966C12575780055D9E8?OpenDocument))



**OP 3 (a) and (b) - Account for/Secure/Physically protect NW including Related Materials (NW specific)**

Are any of the following measures, procedures or legislation in place to account for, secure or otherwise protect NW and Related Materials? Can violators be penalized?		National legal framework		Enforcement: civil/criminal penalties and others		Remarks
		YES	if YES, source document	YES	if YES, source document	
1	National regulatory authority					
2	IAEA Safeguards Agreements	X	INFCIRC/691, and SQP 5 September 2006	X	INFCIRC/691and SQP, 5 September 2006	
3	IAEA Code of Conduct on Safety and Security of Radioactive Sources					
4	Supplementary Guidance on the Import and Export of Radioactive Sources of the Code of Conduct on the Safety and Security of Radioactive Sources					
5	IAEA Incident and Trafficking Database					
6	Other Agreements related to IAEA					
7	Additional national legislation/regulations related to nuclear materials including CPPNM					
8	Other	X	Royal Decree No. (30/ 2013) approving Sultanate of Oman's joining Convention on Nuclear Safety 7 May 2013. Convention on Early Notification of a Nuclear			

			<p>Accident 8 August 2009 Convention on Assistance in the Case of a Nuclear Accident or Radiological Emergency 8 August 2009</p> <p>Convention on Nuclear Safety 26 August 2013</p> <p>Co-operative Agreement for Arab States in Asia for Research, Development and Training Related to Nuclear Science and Technology (ARASIA) 3 August 2010</p>			
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**OP 3 (a) and (b) - Account for/Secure/Physically protect CW including Related Materials (CW specific)**

Are any of the following measures, procedures or legislation in place to account for, secure or otherwise protect CW and Related Materials? Can violators be penalized?		National legal framework		Enforcement: civil/criminal penalties and others		Remarks
		YES	if YES, source document	YES	if YES, source document	
1	National CWC authority	X	Royal Decree 21/97 on the Regime for the Implementation of the CWC (12 April 1997)	X	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
2	Reporting Schedule I, II and III chemicals to OPCW	X	Initial reports	X	Initial reports	
3	Account for, secure or physically protect "old chemical weapons"					
4	Other legislation/ regulations controlling chemical materials					
5	Other					

**OP 3 (a) and (b) - Account for/Secure/Physically protect BW including Related Materials (BW specific)**

Are any of the following measures, procedures or legislation in place to account for, secure or otherwise protect BW and Related Materials? Can violators be penalized?		National legal framework		Enforcement: civil/criminal penalties and others		Remarks
		YES	if YES, source document	YES	if YES, source document	
1	Regulations for genetic engineering work					
2	Other legislation/ regulations related to safety and security of biological materials					
3	Other	X	The Directorate General of Animal Health (DGAW) and the Directorate General of Agricultural Development (DGAD), under the Ministry of Agriculture (MA), are the authorities on SPS matters, including food safety, and plant and animal health.	X	The Directorate General of Animal Health (DGAW) and the Directorate General of Agricultural Development (DGAD), under the Ministry of Agriculture (MA), are the authorities on SPS matters, including food safety, and plant and animal health.	

**OP 3 (c) and (d) and related matters from OP 6 and OP 10 - Controls of NW, CW and BW, including Related Materials**

Which of the following legislation, procedures, measures, agencies exist to control border crossings, export/import and other transfers of NW, CW, BW and Related Materials? Can violators be penalized?		National legal framework						Enforcement: civil/criminal penalties, and measures of implementation, etc						Remarks
		YES			if YES, source document	YES			if YES, source document					
		N W	C W	B W		N W	C W	B W						
1	Border control	X	X	X	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> GCC Common Customs Law, and its Rules of Implementation and Explanatory Notes, through Sultani Decree No. 67/2003 The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48, governs the issues of the acquisition of arms and ammunition and traffic in, repair, import and export of the same GCC Laws on Veterinary Quarantine and Plant Quarantine implemented through Sultani Decrees Nos. 45/2004 and 47/2004. The Regulations of the Plant Quarantine Law were issued through Ministerial Decision No. 32/2006.</p>	X	X	X	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48, Articles 19-26 2. Regulation No. 222/98 Directorate General of Police and Customs within the Royal Oman Police Directorate General for Ports and the Directorate General for Maritime Affairs (DGMA), under the MTC</p>					
2	Technical support of border control measures													
3	Control of brokering, trading in, negotiating, otherwise assisting in sale of goods and technology	?	?	?	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW::</b> The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48</p>	?	?	?	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48, Articles 19-26 Regulation No. 222/98</p>					

4	Enforcement agencies/authorities	X	X	X	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> GCC Common Customs Law, and its Rules of Implementation and Explanatory Notes, through Royal Decree No. 67/2003</p> <p>The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48</p>	X	X	X	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> Directorate General of Police and Customs within the Royal Oman Police</p>
5	Export control legislation in place	X	X	X	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48, Articles 3 and 5</p>	X	X	X	<p><b>NW,CW:</b> The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48, Articles 19-26 Regulation No. 222/98</p>
6	Licensing provisions	?	?	?	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48, Articles 3 and 5</p>	?	?	?	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48, Articles 19-26 Regulation No. 222/98</p>
7	Individual licensing								
8	General licensing								
9	Exceptions from licensing								
10	Licensing of deemed export/visa								
11	National licensing authority	X	X	X	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> The Weapons and Ammunition Law, issued pursuant to Royal Decree No. 90/36 and amended pursuant to Royal Decree No. 96/48</p>	X	X	X	<p><b>NW/CW/ BW:</b> Directorate General of Police and Customs within the Royal Oman Police</p>
12	Interagency review for licenses								



26	Extraterritorial applicability									
27	Other									



**OP 6, 7 and 8 (d) - Control lists, Assistance, Information**

Can information be provided on the following issues?		YES		Remarks
1	Control lists - items (goods/ equipment/ materials/ technologies)			
2	Control lists - other			
3	Assistance offered			
4	Assistance requested			
5	Point of Contact for assistance			
6	Assistance in place (bilateral/multilateral)			
7	Work with and inform industry			
8	Work with and inform the public			
9	Point of Contact			
10	Other <sup>4</sup>			

4. Information may include references to voluntary implementation national action plan and visits to States, at their invitation, by the 1540 Committee.