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German Arms Exports – pathetic restrictions? A brief overview

Conference on:
Produzione e commercio di armamenti: le nostre responsabilità

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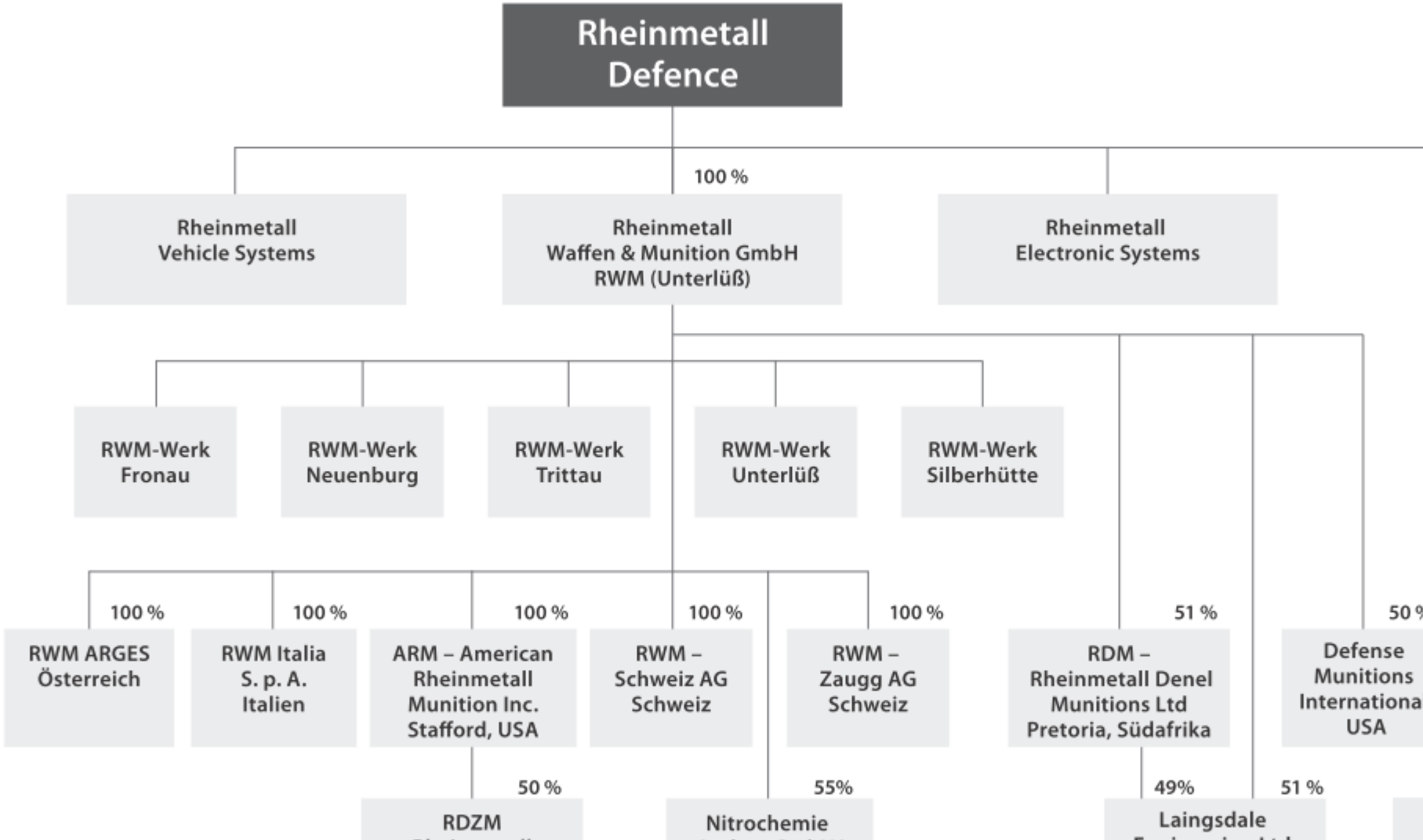
Grafik 3: Der Munitionsbereich der Rheinmetall AG



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150% italia Eigenschaften...
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Grafik 7: Die strategischen Ziele von Rheinmetall Defense

Topics/Issues

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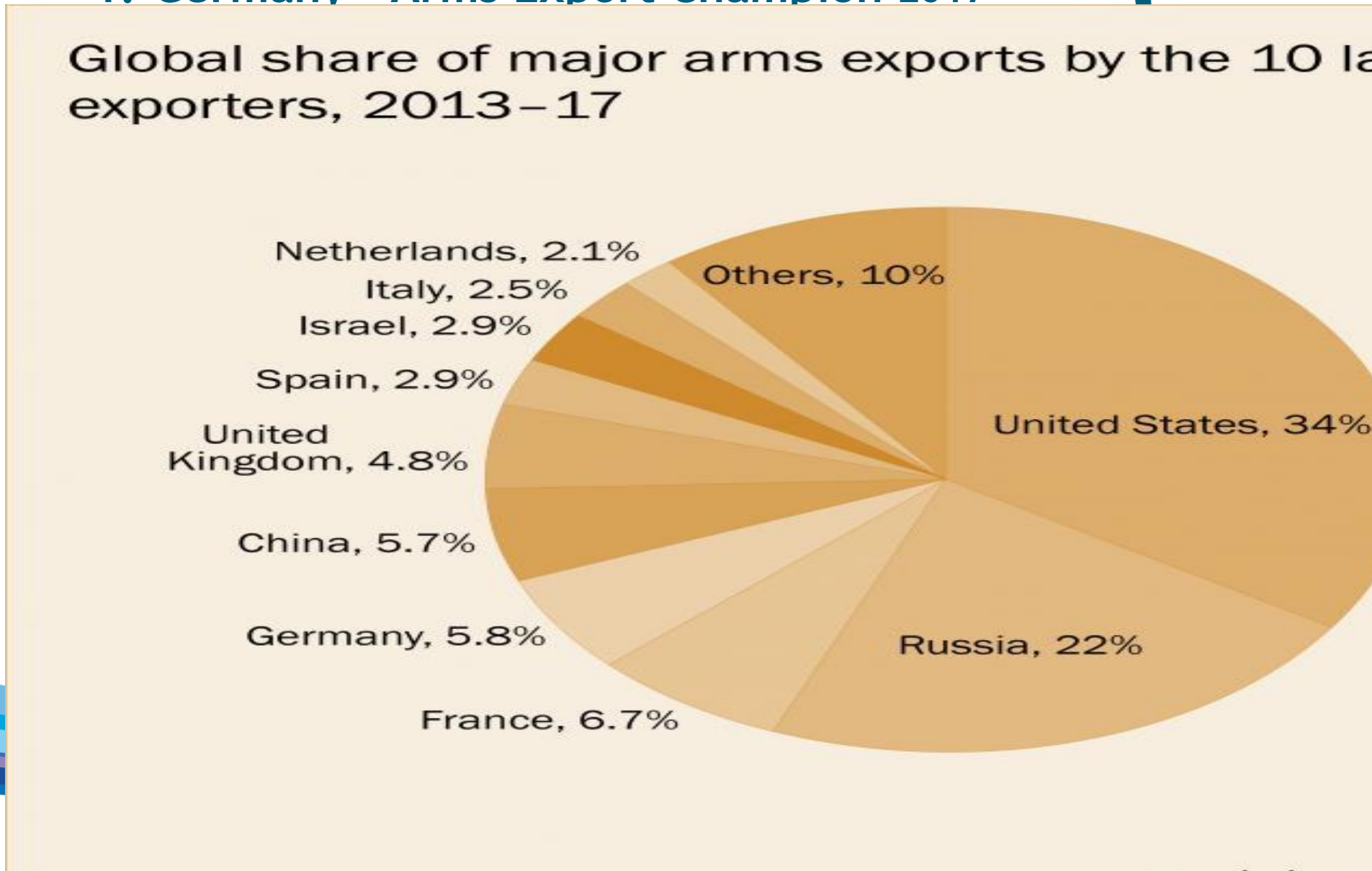
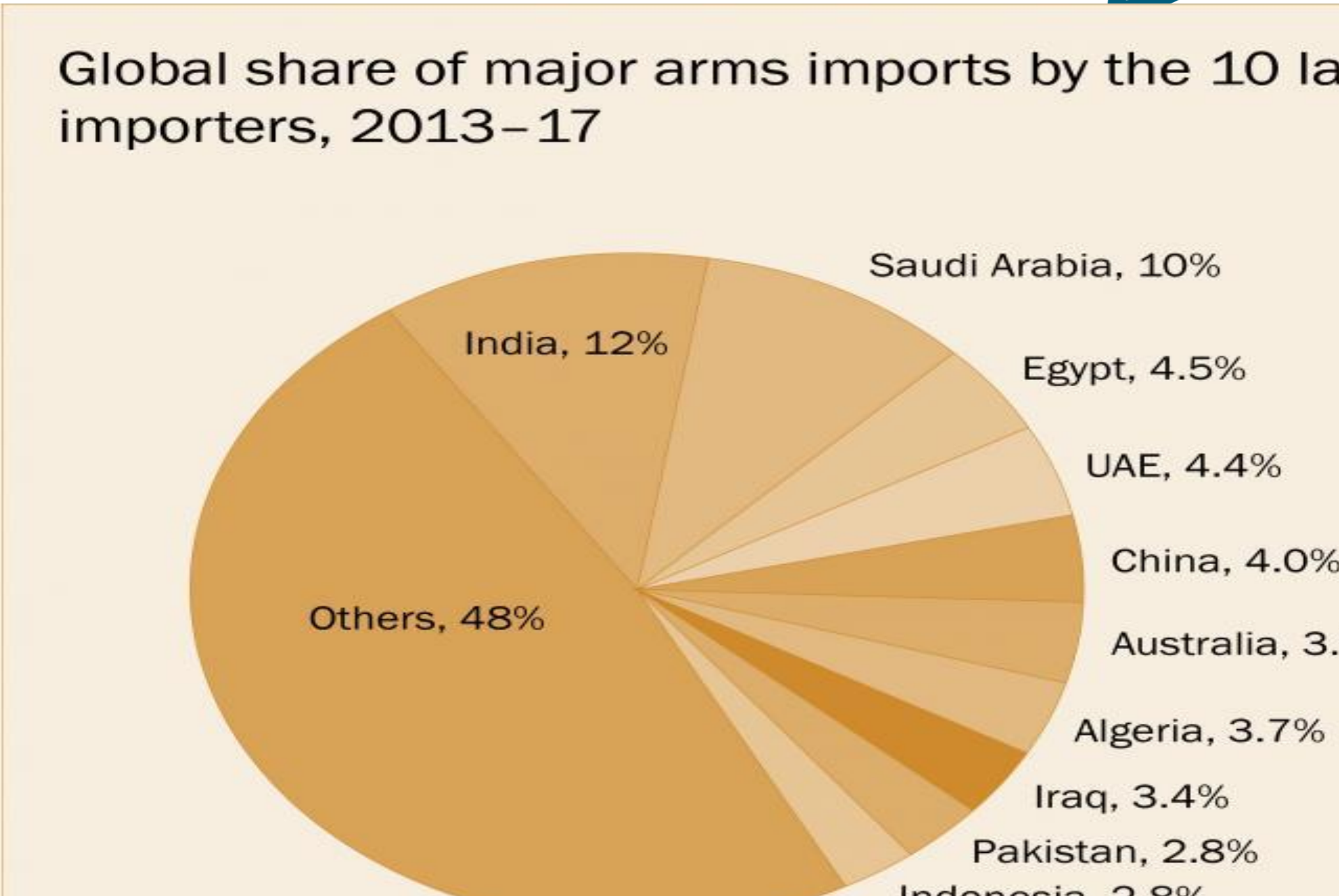
- Export Weapon systems worldwide
- Demand-side weapon systems worldwide
- Arms exports from Germany
- Yemen as a case in point
- Milan &
  * Leopard -great export success
- EU Arms Exports in Context
- EU Exports over 10 years
- Export of SALW
- Laws & Rules on Arms Exports in Germany
- Civilian Conflict Mgt. - *position of Churches and Civil-Society*

1. Germany – Arms Export Champion 2017



2. Demand- side- worldwide 2017



200% 76 Eigenschaften...

Genehmigungswerte (in Euro) Einzelgenehmigungen 2017 nach Staaten (Top 20)[55]

1)	Algerien	1.358.774.362
2)	Ägypten	708.258.491
3)	Litauen	492.606.168
4)	Vereinigte Staaten	345.194.081
5)	Australien	265.421.710
6)	Saudi-Arabien	254.457.823
7)	Südkorea	253.626.707
8)	Vereinigte Arabische Emirate	213.866.923
9)	Vereinigtes Königreich	168.015.319
10)	Niederlande	151.815.643
11)	Österreich	137.068.359
12)	Schweiz	133.992.408
13)	Indien	131.097.535
14)	Israel	123.298.112
15)	Kanada	122.590.872
16)	Indonesien	107.962.648
17)	Frankreich	90.525.113

4. Yemen as a case in Point

War on Yemen:

- **Ban of German Arms Exports was introduced by the current German Gov. to Kingdom Saudi Arabia**
- **Yet, approved Export Licenses were not revoked hence Export of Arms to KSA continued**
  Discrepancy between deeds and words

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5. Milan

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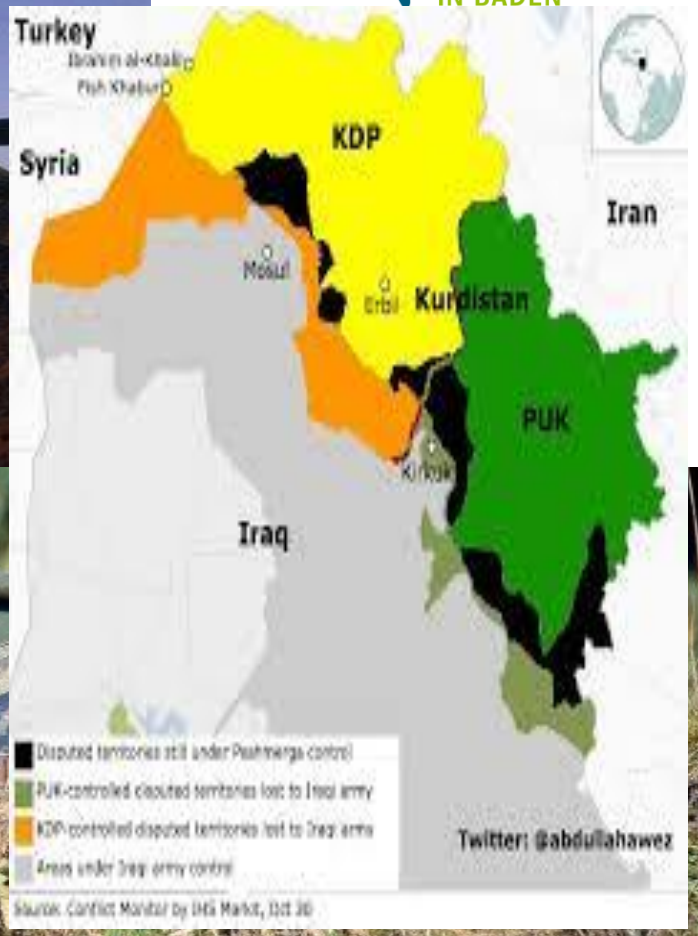

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6. Leopard tank- a major Export success

7. EU Countries as Arms Exporteurs

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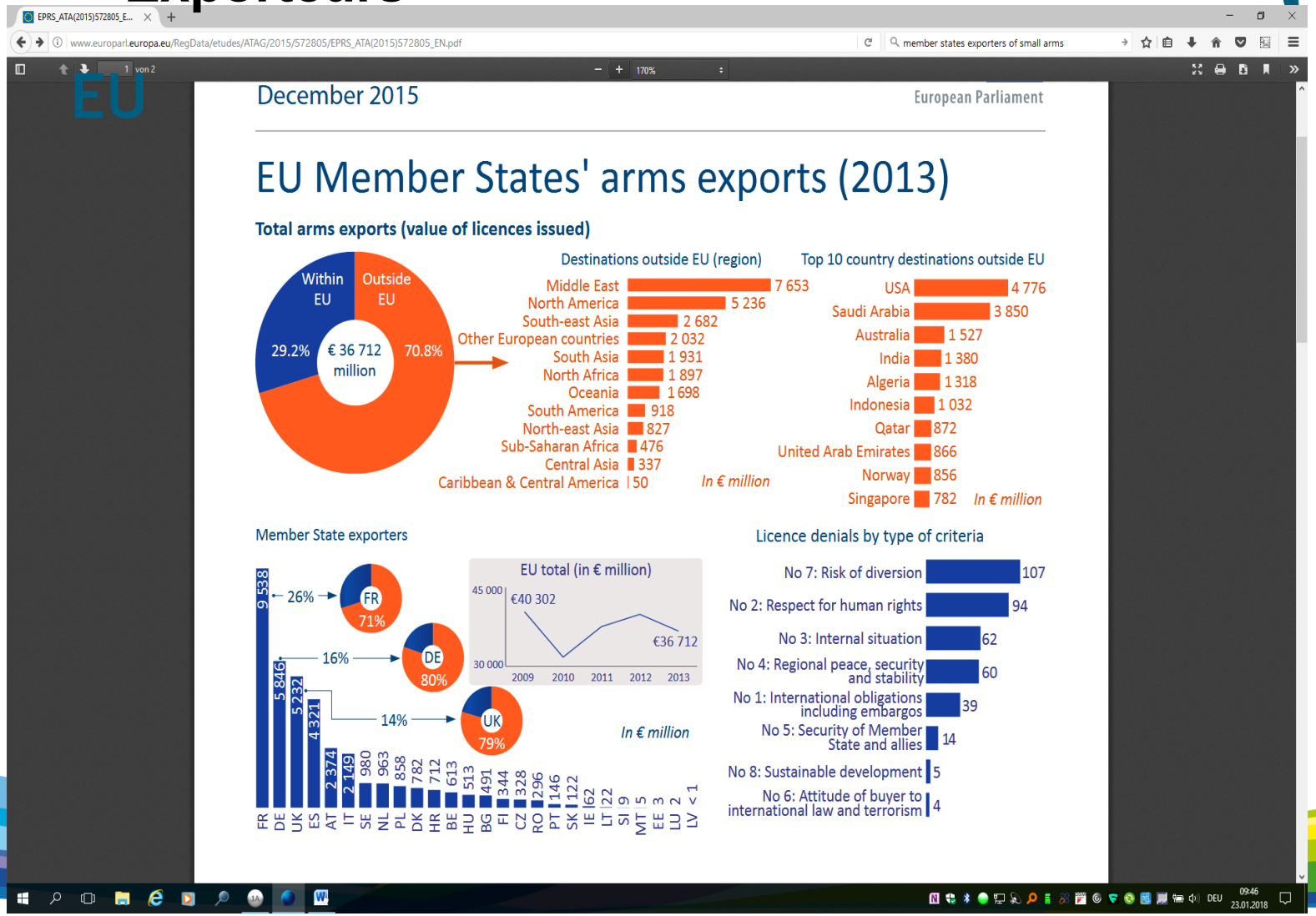

8. EU cont. Top Ten Arms Exporters 2005- 2014

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9. Small Arms and Light Weapons- big Impact

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10. Laws & Regulations Part 1

- German Basic Law
- Kriegswaffenkontrollgesetz (KrWaffKontrG) –
  War Weapons Control Act

- Außenwirtschaftsgesetz (AWG) –
- **Foreign Trade and Payments Act.**

- Politische Grundsätze –
- **“Political Principles”**
  Human Rights in End-user Country

11. Civilian Conflict Management

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Our (NGO & Churches) Lobby & Advocacy Demands are:

- One comprehensive and restrictive arms export law
- No export to conflict countries and countries with poor human rights records
- The government should **Justify** and present its case for each export to the parliament
- Export to **third** countries should be an exception and not the rule
- Even export to EU and NATO countries should have rules and regulations and not a automatic supply line

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