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# Sixth Review Conference of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects

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**Financial issues related to the Convention and its annexed Protocols and relations between High Contracting Parties (HCP) and United Nations**

## 2026 budget<sup>\*1</sup>

1. The Sixth Review Conference of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects, to be held in Geneva on 13-17 December 2021, may decide to adopt a five-year budget for the 2022-2026 period.
2. The estimated budget for 2026 is as follows, depending on the number of meeting days of the Group of Governmental Experts on Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems (GGE on LAWS):
  - i) 10 days of GGE on LAWS: US\$ 1,565,600;
  - ii) 15 days of GGE on LAWS: US\$ 1,682,900;
  - iii) 20 days of GGE on LAWS: US\$ 1,800,200

The above includes the estimated costs of the Preparatory Committee meeting for the Seventh Review Conference (three days, US\$ 99,400), the Seventh Review Conference (five days, US\$ 299,100) and the Implementation Support Unit (ISU) (12 months, US\$ 620,900). A breakdown of the estimated budget for 2026 is provided in the attached tables.

3. The costs are estimated on the basis of past experience and anticipated workload. The actual costs will be determined after the closure of the meeting and completion of related work, with all relevant expenditures recorded in the accounts. At that time, any adjustments in the contributions made by the participants sharing the costs will be determined accordingly.
4. The assessment of contributions shall be calculated on the basis of the United Nations scale of assessment, adjusted to take into account the difference between the United Nations membership on the one hand and the number of States other than High Contracting Parties in attendance combined with the number of High Contracting Parties on the other. States that are not High Contracting Parties but take part in the meetings share the costs to the extent of their respective rates of assessment under the United Nations scale.
5. Assessment notices will be prepared based on the approved overall estimated costs and applicable cost-sharing formula. Since the above-mentioned activities shall have no financial implication for the regular budget of the Organization, High Contracting Parties should proceed with the payment as soon as assessment notices have been received.

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\* The present report was submitted after the deadline owing to circumstances beyond the submitter's control.

<sup>1</sup> Pending decision by the Review Conference.



<b>2026 budget</b>									
<b>2026 (GGE 10 days)</b>									
	<b>ISU staff costs</b>	<b>Seventh Review Conference</b>	<b>Preparatory Committee</b>	<b>GGE on LAWS (10 days)</b>	<b>Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II</b>	<b>Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II</b>	<b>Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Protocol V</b>	<b>Meeting of Experts Protocol V</b>	<b>Total</b>
Cost estimate	591,300	284,900	94,700	309,900	84,200	31,800	78,400	15,900	<b>1,491,100</b>
Contingency 5% <sup>1/</sup>	29,600	14,200	4,700	15,500	4,200	1,600	3,900	800	<b>74,500</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>620,900</b>	<b>299,100</b>	<b>99,400</b>	<b>325,400</b>	<b>88,400</b>	<b>33,400</b>	<b>82,300</b>	<b>16,700</b>	<b>1,565,600</b>
<b>2026 (GGE 15 days)</b>									
	<b>ISU staff costs</b>	<b>Seventh Review Conference</b>	<b>Preparatory Committee</b>	<b>GGE on LAWS (15 days)</b>	<b>Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II</b>	<b>Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II</b>	<b>Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Protocol V</b>	<b>Meeting of Experts Protocol V</b>	<b>Total</b>
Cost estimate	591,300	284,900	94,700	421,600	84,200	31,800	78,400	15,900	<b>1,602,800</b>
Contingency 5% <sup>2/</sup>	29,600	14,200	4,700	21,100	4,200	1,600	3,900	800	<b>80,100</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>620,900</b>	<b>299,100</b>	<b>99,400</b>	<b>442,700</b>	<b>88,400</b>	<b>33,400</b>	<b>82,300</b>	<b>16,700</b>	<b>1,682,900</b>
<b>2026 (GGE 20 days)</b>									
	<b>ISU staff costs</b>	<b>Seventh Review Conference</b>	<b>Preparatory Committee</b>	<b>GGE on LAWS (20 days)</b>	<b>Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II</b>	<b>Annual Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Amended Protocol II</b>	<b>Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Protocol V</b>	<b>Meeting of Experts Protocol V</b>	<b>Total</b>
Cost estimate	591,300	284,900	94,700	533,300	84,200	31,800	78,400	15,900	<b>1,714,500</b>
Contingency 5% <sup>3/</sup>	29,600	14,200	4,700	26,700	4,200	1,600	3,900	800	<b>85,700</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>620,900</b>	<b>299,100</b>	<b>99,400</b>	<b>560,000</b>	<b>88,400</b>	<b>33,400</b>	<b>82,300</b>	<b>16,700</b>	<b>1,800,200</b>
<i>1/,2/,3/ Pending adoption by the Sixth Review Conference</i>									

<b>Title of session:</b>	<b>Meeting of the Preparatory Committee for the Seventh Review Conference of the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (CCW)</b>							
<b>Dates to be held:</b>	<b>Location Geneva, TBD 2026 (3 days without summary records)</b>							
	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Pre-session</b>	<b>In-session</b>	<b>Summary</b>	<b>Post-session</b>	<b>Support Services</b>	<b>Other</b>	
<b>Conference-servicing items</b>	<b>Servicing *</b>	<b>documentation *</b>	<b>documentation *</b>	<b>records *</b>	<b>documentation *</b>	<b>requirements *</b>	<b>requirements *</b>	<b>Total *</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Interpretation and meeting servicing</b>	55,700							55,700
<b>Translation of documentation</b>		6,100			9,100			15,200
<b>Support Services requirements<sup>1/</sup></b>						2,400		2,400
<b>Other requirements<sup>2/</sup></b>							21,400	21,400
<b>Total</b>	<b>55,700</b>	<b>6,100</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,100</b>	<b>2,400</b>	<b>21,400</b>	<b>94,700</b>
<b>* - at US\$</b>								
	<b>A. Total conference-servicing requirements (inclusive of 13% programme support costs)</b>							<b>94,700</b>
	<b>B. Non-conference-servicing requirements</b>							
	<b>C. Contingency 5%<sup>3/</sup></b>							<b>4,700</b>
	<b>Grand total (rounded) A+B+C:</b>							<b>99,400</b>

*1/ Sound technician/recording (2 x 3 days) \$2,400.*

*2/ Rental of PC and printer \$40; Secretary (1 x 30 days) \$12,300; Documents control Officer (1 x 3 days) \$800; Dedicated assistance provided for accounting services and administration of financial resources \$5,000; UN Web TV \$3,300*

*3/ Pending adoption by the Sixth Review Conference*

Title of session:	2026 CCW ISU staff costs							
Dates to be held:	N/A							
	Meeting	Pre-session	In-session	Summary	Post-session	Support Services	Other	
Conference-servicing items	Servicing *	documentation *	documentation *	records *	documentation *	requirements *	requirements *	Total *
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Interpretation and meeting servicing								-
Translation of documentation								-
Support Services requirements								-
Other requirements <sup>1/</sup>								-
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>
* - at US\$								
	A. Total conference-servicing requirements (inclusive of 13% programme support costs)							-
	B. Non-conference-servicing requirements <sup>1/</sup>							
	Staff costs (one P-4 and one P-3)							469,500
	Travel							10,000
	Equipment, digital upgrade, content management, supplies and outreach							16,000
	Sub-total							495,500
	Programme support costs @13% over B							64,400
	Subtotal B							559,900
	C. Other requirements <sup>2/</sup>							31,400
	D. Contingency 5% <sup>3/</sup>							29,600
	Grand total (rounded) A+B+C+D:							<u>620,900</u>

1/ Staff costs are based on Standard salary costs recosted at US\$ 1=CHF 0.931. Salary costs include separation indemnities accrual of \$47,200.

2/ Dedicated assistance provided for accounting services and administration of financial resources \$29,000

3/ Pending adoption by the Sixth Review Conference

<b>Title of session:</b>	<b>Seventh Review Conference of the High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (CCW)</b>							
<b>Dates to be held:</b>	<b>Location Geneva, TBD 2026 (5 days with summary records)</b>							
<b>Conference-servicing items</b>	<b>Meeting Servicing *</b>	<b>Pre-session documentation *</b>	<b>In-session documentation *</b>	<b>Summary records *</b>	<b>Post-session documentation *</b>	<b>Support Services requirements *</b>	<b>Other requirements *</b>	<b>Total *</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Interpretation and meeting servicing</b>	<b>92,800</b>							<b>92,800</b>
<b>Translation of documentation</b>		<b>80,700</b>		<b>20,200</b>	<b>28,300</b>			<b>129,200</b>
<b>Support Services requirements<sup>1/</sup></b>						<b>4,000</b>		<b>4,000</b>
<b>Other requirements<sup>2/</sup></b>							<b>58,900</b>	<b>58,900</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>92,800</b>	<b>80,700</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,200</b>	<b>28,300</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>58,900</b>	<b>284,900</b>
<b>* - at US\$</b>								
								<b>A. Total conference-servicing requirements (inclusive of 13% programme support costs) 284,900</b>
								<b>B. Non-conference-servicing requirements</b>
								<b>C. Contingency 5%<sup>3/</sup> 14,200</b>
								<b>Grand total (rounded) A+B+C: 299,100</b>

*1/ Sound technician/recording (2 x 5 days) \$4,000.*

*2/ Rental of PC and printer \$100; Secretary (1 x 90 days) \$36,900; Documents control Officer (1 x 5 days) \$1,300; Dedicated assistance provided for accounting services and administration of financial resources \$15,100; UN Web TV \$5,500*

*3/ Pending adoption by the Sixth Review Conference*