

Final Destination of Eastern European Weapons is Syrian War

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BELGRADE – Several countries from central and eastern Europe have exported weapons and munitions worth 1.2 billion euros (\$1.3 billion) since 2012, mostly to Saudi Arabia, amid fears that the final destination of these weapons is Syria and other conflict countries in the Middle East.

The findings were released on Thursday by the media, from the research of the Crime and Corruption Reporting Network, a consortium of research centers and media of Eastern Europe and Central Asia and the Balkan Investigative Reporting Network.

Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Montenegro, Serbia and Romania have signed most of these agreements to export arms and ammunition to Saudi Arabia with 829 million euros (\$918.6 million).

During the same period, weapons were also exported to Jordan at 155 million euros (\$171.7 million), the United Arab Emirates with 135 million euros (\$149.5 million) and to Turkey valued at 87 million euros (\$96.4 million).