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**Second Review Conference of the States Parties to  
the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use,  
Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of  
Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction**

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## **Final report**

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## **Part I**

### **Organization and work of The Second Review Conference**

#### **A. Introduction**

1. The Convention on the prohibition of the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines and on their destruction states in article 12, paragraphs 1 and 2, that “a Review Conference shall be convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations five years after the entry into force of this Convention” and that “further Review Conferences shall be convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations if so requested by one or more States Parties.”

2. At the 29 November to 3 December 2004 First Review Conference, the States Parties agreed to hold annually, until a Second Review Conference, a Meeting of the States Parties which will regularly take place in the second half of the year and that a Second Review Conference will take place in the second half of the year 2009. At the 24-28 November 2008 Ninth Meeting of the States Parties, the States Parties agreed to hold the Convention’s Second Review Conference in Cartagena, Colombia the week of 30 November to 4 December 2009. The Meeting further decided to hold preparatory meetings in advance of the Second Review Conference in Geneva on 29 May 2009 and on 3 and 4 September 2009. In addition, the States Parties agreed to designate Ambassador Susan Eckey of Norway President of the Second Review Conference.

3. To prepare for the Second Review Conference, in accordance with the decisions of the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties, the First Preparatory Meeting was held on 29 May 2009 and the Second Preparatory Meeting on 3 and 4 September 2009. The First Preparatory Meeting recommended for adoption at the Second Review Conference a provisional agenda, a provisional programme of work, draft Rules of Procedure for the Second Review Conference and cost estimates for convening the First and Second Preparatory Meetings. The First Preparatory Meeting also appealed for participation at the highest possible level during a high level segment scheduled to take place on 3 and 4 December at the Second Review Conference.

4. The First Preparatory Meeting also recommended that, in keeping with the practice that has served the States Parties well at their formal meetings, the Co-Chairs of the four Standing Committees should serve as Vice Presidents of the Second Review Conference, namely: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Chile, Italy, Japan, Thailand, and Zambia. As well, the First Preparatory Meeting took note of the designation of Ambassador Clara Inés Vargas of Colombia as Secretary-General of the Second Review Conference, the appointment by the Secretary-General of the United Nations of Mr. Peter Kolarov of the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch, as Executive Secretary of the Second Review Conference, and the request by the President-Designate that, in keeping with past practice, Mr. Kerry Brinkert, Director of the Implementation Support Unit, serve as the President’s Executive Coordinator.

5. The Second Preparatory Meeting recommended for adoption at the Second Review Conference estimated costs for convening the Second Review Conference.

6. To seek views on matters of substance, the President-Designate convened informal meetings in Geneva on 2 March 2009 and 5 November 2009 to which all States Parties, States not parties and interested organizations were invited to participate.

7. On 2 March 2009 the President-Designate, the Vice President of the Republic of Colombia, Mr. Francisco Santos Calderón, and the International Campaign to Ban Landmines (ICBL), publicly launched preparations for the Cartagena Summit and at a

ceremony in Geneva. In addition, with the support of the European Union, five regional events were hosted and convened by the following States Parties in preparations for the Cartagena Summit: Albania, Nicaragua, South Africa, Tajikistan and Thailand.

8. The opening of the Second Review Conference was preceded on 29 November 2009 by a ceremony at which statements were delivered by the Vice President of the Republic of Colombia, Mr. Francisco Santos Calderón, the President of the Second Review Conference, Ambassador Susan Eckey of Norway, the President of the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties, Ambassador Jürg Streuli of Switzerland, the Director of UNMAS, Mr. Maxwell Kerley, the ICBL Youth Ambassador, Ms. Song Kosal, and Ms. Olinda Girón Zemanate of Colombia.

## **B. Organization of the Second Review Conference**

9. The Second Review Conference was opened on 30 November 2009 by the President of the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties, Ambassador Jürg Streuli of Switzerland, who presided over the election of the President of the Second Review Conference. The conference elected by acclamation Ambassador Susan Eckey of Norway as its President.

10. At its first plenary meeting on 30 November 2009, the Second Review Conference adopted its agenda as contained in appendix I to this report. On the same occasion, the Second Review Conference adopted rules of procedure for the Second Review Conference, that will serve for future review conferences, as contained in document APLC/CONF/2009/3, the estimated costs for convening the Second Review Conference and Preparatory Meetings as contained in documents APLC/CONF/2009/PM.2/5 and APLC/CONF/2009/4, and its programme of work as contained in document APLC/CONF/2009/2.

11. Also at its first plenary meeting, Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Chile, Italy, Japan, Thailand and Zambia were elected by acclamation as Vice-Presidents of the Second Review Conference.

12. The Conference unanimously confirmed the nomination of Ambassador Clara Inés Vargas Silva of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Colombia, as Secretary-General of the Conference. The conference also took note of the appointment by the United Nations Secretary-General of Mr. Peter Kolarov of the Geneva Branch of the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs, as Executive Secretary of the meeting, and the appointment by the President of Mr. Kerry Brinkert, Director of the Implementation Support Unit, as the President's Executive Coordinator.

13. Also on 30 November 2009, the Conference heard a message by Mr. Ban-Ki Moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations.

## **C. Participation in the Second Review Conference**

14. 108 States Parties participated in the Conference: Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte D'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Estonia, Ethiopia, France, Gambia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Holy See, Hungary, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kiribati, Kuwait, Lesotho, Lithuania, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Montenegro, Mozambique,

Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Palau, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Yemen, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.

15. One signatory that has not ratified the Convention participated in the conference as an observer, in accordance with article 12, paragraph 3, of the Convention and Rule 1, paragraph 1, of the rules of procedure of the conference: Poland.

16. A further 19 States not parties to the Convention participated in the conference as observers, in accordance with article 12, paragraph 3, of the Convention and Rule 1, paragraph 1, of the rules of procedure of the conference: Bahrain, China, Cuba, Egypt, Finland, Georgia, India, Kazakhstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Mongolia, Morocco, Nepal, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, United States of America, and Viet Nam.

17. In accordance with article 12, paragraph 3, of the Convention and rule 1, paragraphs 2 and 3, of the rules of procedure, the following international organizations and institutions, regional organizations, entities and non-governmental organizations attended the conference as observers: European Union (EU), League of Arab States, Organization of American States (OAS), Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations Department for Peace Keeping Operations (DPKO), United Nations Department of Safety and Security (DSS), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS), United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA), World Bank Group, World Food Programme (WFP), Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD), International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, International Campaign To Ban Landmines (ICBL).

18. In accordance with article 12, paragraph 3, of the Convention and rule 1, paragraph 4, of the rules of procedure, the following other organizations attended the conference as observers: APOPO International, Cleared Ground Demining, Cranfield University Resilience Centre, International Peace Research Institute (PRIO), International Trust Fund for Demining and Mine Victims Assistance (ITF), Libyan Demining Association, Mine Action Information Center (James Madison University), Mines Awareness Trust (MAT), Peace Research Institute of Oslo, and Rotary Demining Operation.

19. A list of all delegations to the Second Review Conference is contained in document APLC/CONF/2009/INF.1

#### **D. Work of the Second Review Conference**

20. The Second Review Conference held ten plenary meetings from 30 November to 4 December 2009. At its first six plenary meetings, the Conference reviewed the general status and operation of the Convention. The conference concluded that, while progress continues to be made and while the Convention and the practices developed to guide implementation at the national and international levels have served as models for addressing the humanitarian problems caused by other conventional weapons, challenges remain.

21. At its sixth plenary meeting, the Conference considered the submission of requests under article 5 of the Convention by Argentina, Cambodia, Tajikistan and Uganda.
22. At its sixth plenary meeting, the Conference noted the Director of the GICHD's report on the activities of the Implementation Support Unit (ISU), contained in annex III. States Parties expressed their appreciation for the manner in which the ISU is continuing a positive contribution in support of the States Parties' efforts to implement the Convention.
23. The seventh through tenth plenary meetings featured the Conference's high level segment. [68] representatives, at the highest possible level, of States Parties, observer States and observer organizations addressed the Conference during this high level segment.

## **E. Decisions and Recommendations**

24. Taking into account the analyses presented by the President of the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties of the requests submitted under article 5 of the Convention and the requests themselves, the Conference took the following decisions:

(i) The Conference assessed the request submitted by Argentina for an extension of Argentina's deadline for the destruction of anti-personnel mines in mined areas in accordance with article 5.1, agreeing to grant the request for an extension until 1 January 2020.

(ii) In granting the request the Conference noted that, while Argentina had put forward a "schematic plan" for implementing article 5 in mined areas that it has reported to be under its jurisdiction or control, Argentina itself has indicated that it "does not exercise territorial control over the land to be demined." The conference further noted the importance of a State Party providing information on changes to the status of the control of mined areas when such a State Party has indicated that matters related to control affect the implementation of article 5 during extension periods.

(iii) The Conference assessed the request submitted by Cambodia for an extension of Cambodia's deadline for the destruction of anti-personnel mines in mined areas in accordance with article 5.1, agreeing to grant the request for an extension until 1 January 2020.

(iv) In granting the request the Conference noted that, while it may be unfortunate that after almost ten years since entry into force a State Party is unable to clarify what remains to be done, it is positive that such a State Party, as in the case of Cambodia, has sought the input of all relevant parties to develop a methodology to produce an estimate.

(v) Also in granting the request, the Conference further noted Cambodia's commitment to carry out a "Baseline Survey" of all affected districts by the end of 2012 to produce greater clarity on the remaining implementation challenge, to regularly report on progress in carrying out the Baseline Survey, to report to the States Parties on the outcomes of the Baseline Survey, and to provide to the States Parties a revised work plan, schedule and budget. In addition, the Conference noted that all would benefit from progressively clearer information being used by Cambodia to develop and thereafter revise a single national clearance plan that takes into account the proficiencies and strengths of the various demining operators.

(vi) Also in granting the request, the Conference noted that, while total projected resource requirements are realistic based upon recent experience, Cambodia has projected that an additional US\$ 125 million would be required to actually complete implementation of article 5 during the extension period. In addition, the conference noted that the Cambodian Mine Action Authority is working to ensure that the Royal Cambodian Armed

Forces (RCAF) becomes an accredited demining operator by the end of 2009 and to clarify RCAF clearance records to date.

(vii) The Conference assessed the request submitted by Tajikistan for an extension of Tajikistan's deadline for the destruction of anti-personnel mines in mined areas in accordance with article 5.1, agreeing to grant the request for an extension until 1 April 2020.

(viii) In granting the request the Conference noted that, while no demining had taken place until more than four years after entry into force, since that time significant progress has been made, particularly by the release of land through resurvey. The Conference further noted that, while the plan presented is workable as concerns two of the three regions of Tajikistan in which anti-personnel mines are known or suspected to be emplaced, differing views on the extent to which mechanical demining assets may be applicable suggest that Tajikistan may find itself in a situation wherein it could proceed with implementation much faster than that suggested by the amount of time requested. In this context, the Conference noted that doing so could benefit Tajikistan in ensuring that the dire humanitarian, social and economic impacts outlined by it in its request are addressed as quickly as possible.

(ix) Also in granting the request, the Conference noted that both Tajikistan and all States Parties would benefit if Tajikistan's national demining plan incorporated its intentions as concerns mined areas it has reported along the Tajik-Uzbek border, including by providing additional clarity on the location and status of areas suspected to contain mines along the Tajik-Uzbek border.

(x) Also in granting the request, the Conference noted that as Tajikistan projects that it will require slightly more funds on an annual basis than it has received in recent years, Tajikistan could benefit from increasing its frequency of contact with donors and clearly communicating the socio-economic development benefits that would flow from completing article 5 implementation.

(xi) The Conference assessed the request submitted by Uganda for an extension of Uganda's deadline for the destruction of anti-personnel mines in mined areas in accordance with article 5.1, agreeing to grant the request for an extension until 1 August 2012.

(xii) In granting the request, the Conference noted that Uganda found itself in a situation wherein less than two months before its deadline Uganda was still unclear whether it would be able to complete implementation of article 5.1 of the Convention by its deadline. The Conference further noted that Uganda itself had acknowledged that the late commencement of operations and establishment of a mine action programme contributed to this situation occurring and that once Uganda understood that it would require more time to complete implementation, it acted prudently by informing the 9MSP President, by asking that the President inform all States Parties of this matter and by promptly preparing and submitting a request for an extension.

(xiii) Also in granting the request, the Conference noted that, while the plan presented by Uganda is workable, the indication in the request that the clearance rate will double during Uganda's dry season and that the introduction of a mechanical capacity could accelerate implementation suggests that Uganda may find itself in a situation wherein it could proceed with implementation much faster than that suggested by the amount of time requested. In this context, the Conference noted that doing so could benefit both the Convention and Uganda itself given the indication by Uganda of the socio-economic benefits that will flow from demining.

25. Also in the context of considering the submission of requests under article 5 of the Convention, the Conference noted that three of the States Parties that had submitted requests for extensions had highlighted the importance of obtaining resources in order to implement the plans contained in their requests. The Conference encouraged requesting States Parties, as relevant, to develop as soon as possible resource mobilisation strategies that take into account the need to reach out to a wide range of national and international funding sources. The Conference furthermore encouraged all States Parties in a position to do so to honour their commitments to fulfilling their obligations under article 6.4 of the Convention to provide assistance for mine clearance and related activities.

26. Also in the context of considering the submission of requests under article 5 of the Convention, the Conference noted that the ongoing effort to implement article 5 during States Parties' requested extension periods has the potential of making a significant contribution to improving human safety and socio-economic conditions.

27. Also in the context of considering the submission of requests under article 5 of the Convention, the Conference noted that the accounting of the remaining mined areas contained in many extension requests would serve as a foundation for a resource mobilisation strategy and greatly assist both requesting States Parties and all others in assessing progress in implementation during the extension period. The Conference encouraged those requesting States Parties that have not yet done so to provide an accounting of annual milestones of progress to be achieved during extension periods. The Conference furthermore encouraged all States Parties whose requests had been considered by the Second Review Conference to provide updates relative to their accounting of remaining mined areas and / or annual benchmarks for progress at meetings of the Standing Committees, at Meetings of the States Parties and at Review Conferences.

28. Also in the context of considering the submission of requests under article 5 of the Convention, the Conference warmly welcomed the report presented by the President of the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties on the process for the preparation, submission and consideration of requests for extensions to article 5 deadlines, as contained in document APLC/CONF/2009/7 and agreed to encourage States Parties, as appropriate, to implement the recommendations contained therein.

29. In considering a meeting programme that would best meet the needs of the States Parties during the period following the Second Review Conference, the Conference took the following decisions:

- (i) To hold annually, until a third review conference, a meeting of the States Parties and informal intersessional meetings of the Standing Committees.
- (ii) To hold a third review conference at the end of 2014.
- (iii) To call upon the States Parties to be flexible and pragmatic in addressing changing circumstances by reviewing decisions, as necessary, regarding their 2010-2014 programme of meetings at each meeting of the States Parties prior to the third review conference.
- (iv) To call upon the Chair of the Coordinating Committee to continue the practice of keeping all States Parties apprised of the Coordinating Committee's efforts in fulfilling its mandate of coordinating matters relating to and flowing from the work of the Standing Committees with the work of the meetings of the States Parties.

30. With particular regard to meetings to be held in 2010, the conference took the following decisions:

- (i) To hold meetings of the Standing Committees in Geneva the week of 21-25 June 2010 with the length of individual meetings and their sequencing, and duration of the entire period of meetings to be established by the Coordinating Committee.
- (ii) To call upon the Coordinating Committee to review the operation of the Intersessional Work Programme, with the Chair of the Coordinating Committee consulting widely on this matter and presenting a report and, if necessary, recommendations to the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties.
- (iii) To hold the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties in Geneva the week of 29 November to 3 December 2010.
- (iv) To designate Gazmend Turdiu, Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Albania, President of the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties.
- (v) To adopt cost estimates for the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties as contained in document APLC/CONF/2009/6.
- (vi) To elect the following States Parties to serve as the Co-Chairs and Co-Rapporteurs of the Standing Committees until the end of the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties: Mine Clearance, Mine Risk Education and Mine Action Technologies: Greece and Nigeria (Co-Chairs), Colombia and Switzerland (Co-Rapporteurs); Victim Assistance and Socio-Economic Reintegration: Peru and Turkey (Co-Chairs), Australia and Uganda (Co-Rapporteurs); Stockpile Destruction: Bulgaria and Indonesia (Co-Chairs), Lithuania and the Philippines (Co-Rapporteurs); The General Status and Operation of the Convention: Ecuador and Slovenia (Co-Chairs), Canada and Thailand (Co-Rapporteurs).

31. With particular regard to meetings to be held in 2011, the conference warmly welcomed the offer made by Cambodia to host and preside over the Eleventh Meeting of the States Parties.

32. The conference adopted the document "Review of the operation and status of the Convention on the prohibition of the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines and on their destruction: 2005-2009", which is contained as part II of this report, emphasising that while great progress has been made in ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines, much more needs to be done.

33. With the aim of supporting enhanced implementation and promotion of the Convention, the Conference adopted the document, "Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: the Cartagena action plan 2010-2014", which is contained as part III of this report.

34. The Conference adopted the document, "A shared commitment for a mine-free world: the 2009 Cartagena declaration", which is contained as part IV of this report.

35. The Conference endorsed the President's Paper on the "Establishment of an open ended task force with a mandate to develop terms of reference for an evaluation of the Implementation Support Unit", which is contained as part V of this report,

## **F. Documentation**

36. A list of documents submitted to the Second Review Conference is contained in annex IV to this report. These documents are available in all official languages through the United Nations Official Documents System (<http://documents.un.org>).

**G. Adoption of the Final Report and conclusion of the Second Review Conference**

37. At its final plenary meeting, on 4 December 2009, the Conference adopted its report, which is being issued as document APLC/CONF/2009/9. At its closing plenary meeting, the Conference expressed its heartfelt thanks to the Government and people of Colombia for their outstanding efforts in hosting the Second Review Conference – the Cartagena Summit on a mine-free world.

## **Part II**

### **Review of the operation and status of the Convention on the prohibition of the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines and on their destruction: 2005-2009 (as adopted at the final plenary meeting on 4 December 2009)**

#### **Introduction**

1. The very purpose of the Convention is to put an end to the suffering and casualties caused by anti-personnel mines. The preamble to the Convention emphasises that the path towards the fulfilment of this humanitarian promise is undertaken through the pursuit of both humanitarian and disarmament actions, particularly: ensuring universal adherence to the Convention's comprehensive prohibitions; destroying existing stockpiled anti-personnel mines; clearing mined areas; and, assisting the victims. The Convention also foresees that certain matters are essential for achieving progress in these areas, including: cooperation and assistance; transparency and the exchange of information; measures to prevent and suppress prohibited activities, and to facilitate compliance; and, implementation support.

2. Since the States Parties adopted their first comprehensive review of the operation and status of the Convention on 3 December 2004 at the Convention's First Review Conference (the Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World), tremendous additional progress has been made toward the fulfilment of the Convention's purpose. While progress continues to be made and while the Convention and the practices developed to guide implementation at the national and international levels have served as models for addressing the humanitarian problems caused by other conventional weapons, challenges remain. This review is intended to record the progress made by the States Parties since the Nairobi Summit, document efforts undertaken to apply the Nairobi Action Plan and the results of these actions, note decisions, conclusions and recommendations made by the States Parties since the Nairobi Summit to facilitate and enhance implementation of the provisions of the Convention and reflect increased understanding of effective means to implement the Convention. In addition, this review contains conclusions related to challenges that remain in fulfilling the obligations under the Convention.

#### **Summary of achievements and challenges**

##### **Universalising the Convention**

3. The States Parties have "(emphasised) the desirability of attracting the adherence of all States to this Convention."<sup>1</sup> Since the Nairobi Summit, universalization efforts have continued unabated. An additional 13 States have now joined the Convention and the Convention's norms are being applied by States not parties and in some cases also by other actors. There are now 156 States Parties to the Convention. Moreover, most States not parties are adhering to the Convention's norms, with new use and production of anti-personnel mines rare and with transfers of mines virtually non-existent. However, attracting further adherents to the Convention has grown more difficult in recent years implying that

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<sup>1</sup> Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction, tenth preambular paragraph.

future efforts to promote acceptance of the Convention and its norms will require intensive effort at as high a level as possible.

#### **Destroying stockpiled anti-personnel mines**

4. The destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines remains one of the Convention's great successes. More than 80 percent of the world's States no longer possess stockpiled anti-personnel mines and the States Parties together have destroyed more than 42.3 million mines. While implementation of the obligation to destroy all stockpiled anti-personnel mines as soon as possible remains a great achievement, the matter of stockpile destruction also persists as one of the Convention's most complex remaining challenges. Since the Nairobi Summit, four States Parties have missed their deadlines for the destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines. Three of these States Parties remain non-compliant. In addition, one other State Party has indicated that it too will miss its upcoming deadline. Non-compliance with the obligation to destroy stockpiled anti-personnel mines is a grave concern for the States Parties.

#### **Clearing mined areas**

5. Compliance with the obligation to destroy all emplaced anti-personnel mines has been of heightened importance for the States Parties, particularly given that the first deadlines for implementing the Convention's Article 5 mine clearance deadlines occurred in 2009. Progress has been made with States Parties having cleared or otherwise released vast areas that had been or were suspected of being dangerous. There are now 15 States Parties that have fulfilled their obligation to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas with 39 States Parties continuing to carry out this work. While 11 States Parties have completed implementation since the Nairobi Summit, 19 other States Parties have made use of, for the first time, the provisions of the Convention that permit requests for extensions on deadlines for the completion of Article 5 implementation. At the Nairobi Summit it was agreed that meeting these deadlines would be "the most significant challenge to be addressed in the coming five years". The fact that large numbers of States Parties requested extensions on their deadlines for completing the destruction of emplaced anti-personnel mines suggests that there has been only minimal success in overcoming this challenge. An increased intensity of efforts will therefore be required in the years ahead to ensure that the Convention achieves its objectives on the ground.

#### **Assisting the victims**

6. The States Parties have made significant advances in applying understandings adopted at the Nairobi Summit regarding what the aim of victim assistance is and how it should be pursued. In addition, they have strengthened their understanding of victim assistance within the broader contexts of disability, healthcare, social services, rehabilitation, reintegration, employment, development, human rights and gender equality. The States Parties have applied a strategic approach to advance the well being and guarantee the rights of landmine survivors. The focus of efforts has been on and in the 26 States Parties that have reported a responsibility for the well being of significant numbers of survivors, while not forgetting that all States Parties in a position to do so have an obligation to assist in the care, rehabilitation and reintegration of mine victims. Significant progress has been made in pursuing a more strategic approach to victim assistance, particularly by many of these 26 States Parties. Victim assistance is now treated with greater precision in a manner similar to how the States Parties pursue their aims of destroying all stockpiled or emplaced anti-personnel mines. This has been done so in part by ensuring that victim assistance is no longer an abstraction but rather is now concrete and measurable. However, precisely because of the greater seriousness given to victim assistance, the challenges that remain are clearer and appear more daunting thus signalling

that further intensity of effort will be required after the Second Review Conference. This intensity is especially required to achieve tangible results in meeting the needs and guaranteeing the rights of mine victims on an equal basis with others.

#### **Cooperation and assistance**

7. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties remarked that “while individual States Parties are responsible for implementing the Convention’s obligations in areas (under) their jurisdiction or control, (the Convention’s) cooperation and assistance provisions afford the essential framework within which those responsibilities can be fulfilled and shared goals can be advanced.”<sup>2</sup> Since the Nairobi Summit, the need for partnerships to achieve the aims of the Convention has become more important than ever. The States Parties have come to recognise that strong national ownership is essential for ensuring that cooperation can flourish and have developed a stronger understanding of what national ownership means. In addition, it has become abundantly clear that those in a position to do so must continue to fulfil their obligations to provide assistance in support of national efforts. Ensuring that sufficient resources exist and seeing that available resources meet well expressed needs by States Parties demonstrating strong ownership over their implementation efforts may be the most significant challenges facing the States Parties during the period 2010 to 2014.

#### **Transparency**

8. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties declared that “transparency and the open exchange of information have been essential pillars on which the Convention’s practices, procedures and tradition of partnership have been built, through both formal means and informal means.”<sup>3</sup> Since the Nairobi Summit, transparency in all forms has indeed been essential for achieving the Convention’s core aims. The States Parties have demonstrated this in part by further enhancing means for fulfilling their transparency reporting obligations and developing new means to volunteer additional information. However, the annual transparency reporting rate has fallen below the level attained during the year of the Nairobi Summit. Renewed attention will need to be given to the ongoing fulfilment of transparency obligations. In addition, following the Second Review Conference, effective informal exchanges of information will be equally crucial.

#### **Measures to ensure compliance**

9. At and since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties have recalled that primary responsibility for ensuring compliance rests with each State Party and Article 9 of the Convention accordingly requires each party to take all legal, administrative and other measures, including the imposition of penal sanctions, to prevent and suppress prohibited activities. In addition, the States Parties have remained aware that the Convention contains a variety of collective means to facilitate and clarify questions related to compliance in accordance with article 8. While there has been some progress since the Nairobi Summit in implementing article 9, over 40 percent of the States Parties have not yet reported that they have legislation in place to give effect to the Convention. In addition since the Nairobi Summit, States Parties have acted in accordance with their obligation “to work together in a spirit of cooperation to facilitate compliance by States Parties with their obligations under

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<sup>2</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, paragraph 6.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid. paragraph 7.

this Convention.”<sup>4</sup> An ongoing commitment to do so will help ensure the ongoing health of the Convention beyond the Second Review Conference.

### **Implementation support**

10. Since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties have been well served by a diverse and flexible set of implementation support mechanisms. These include mechanisms contained in the text of the Convention itself (i.e., Meetings of the States Parties), mechanisms that exist pursuant to decisions of the States Parties (i.e., the Intersessional Work Programme, the Coordinating Committee and the Implementation Support Unit), and mechanisms that have emerged on an informal and voluntary basis (i.e., Contact Groups and the Sponsorship Programme). Successful implementation support can in large part be attributed to the application of principles that the States Parties have considered central since their First Meeting of the States Parties: continuity, coherence, flexibility, partnership, openness, transparency and a clear sense of purpose. While continuing to apply these principles, the challenge for the States Parties following the Second Review Conference will be to continue to be pragmatic and flexible in adjusting implementation mechanisms in accordance with evolving needs and realities.

#### *I. Universalizing the Convention*

11. On 3 December 2004, at the close of the Nairobi Summit, 143 States had ratified or had acceded to the Convention. This included 124 of the 133 States that signed the Convention during the period when the Convention was open for signature (i.e., between 3 December 1997 and entry into force on 1 March 1999). As of 3 December 2004, the Convention had entered into force for all 143 States that had ratified or acceded to the Convention.

12. Since the Nairobi Summit, an additional 13 States have ratified or have acceded/succeeded to the Convention: Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, the Cook Islands, Ethiopia, Haiti, Indonesia, Iraq, Kuwait, Latvia, Montenegro, Palau, Ukraine and Vanuatu. These 13 States include 7 of the 9 Convention signatories that had not yet ratified the Convention by the time of the close of the Nairobi Summit. There are now 156 States – 80 percent of all States – that have ratified or have acceded to the Convention. The Convention has entered into force for all 156 of these States. A list of the States Parties, their ratification/accession/succession dates and the dates of entry into force can be found in appendix I.

13. Progress has been made in reinforcing the norms established by the Convention. Production of anti-personnel mines is now rare. At one time more than 50 States produced anti-personnel mines. Thirty-four (34) of these States are now parties to the Convention, thereby having agreed to be bound by the Convention’s prohibition of the production of anti-personnel mines: Albania, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Colombia, the Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iraq, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Norway, Peru, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Uganda, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Zimbabwe.<sup>5</sup> In addition, according to the International Campaign to Ban Landmines (ICBL) three States not parties (Finland, Israel and Poland) have ceased production of anti-personnel mines and at least

<sup>4</sup> Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction. article 8, paragraph 1.

<sup>5</sup> The current versions of the names of States are used even though production of antipersonnel mines took place while some States possessed different names.

three other States not parties (Egypt, the United States of America and Vietnam) have not produced anti-personnel mines for several years.

14. Licit trade in anti-personnel mines remains non-existent. By having joined the Convention, 156 of the world's States have accepted a legally-binding prohibition on transfers of anti-personnel mines. Even for most States not parties this has become the accepted norm, with many of these States having put in place moratoria or bans on transfers of the weapon, including, according to the ICBL, China, Cuba, Egypt, Finland, the Republic of Korea, India, Israel, Kazakhstan, Pakistan, Poland, the Russian Federation, Singapore, the United States of America and Vietnam. Any trade likely is limited to a very low level of illicit trafficking.

15. Whereas prior to the adoption of the Convention the use of anti-personnel mines was widespread, there are now few countries within which new use occurs. Not only does the Convention's prohibition on the use of anti-personnel mines bind its 156 parties, but the Convention's norm of no-use also has enjoyed widespread acceptance by States not parties. Several States not parties may still perceive that they derive utility from previously emplaced anti-personnel mines. However, since the Nairobi Summit new use of anti-personnel mines was recorded on the part of only 3 States not parties (Myanmar, Nepal and the Russian Federation). Moreover, the use of anti-personnel mines remains stigmatized – as evidenced both by the rarity of new use and by statements made by many States not parties attesting to their agreement with the goals of the Convention, and their intentions to eventually join. An overview of the status of the acceptance of the Convention's norms by the States not parties can be found in Appendix II, Table 1.

16. One measure of States' acceptance of the Convention's norms is through support expressed for an annual United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) resolution on the implementation of the Convention. In 2004, 14 of the States that in 2009 remain not parties to the Convention voted in favour of this resolution, which in part reaffirms the determination of the UNGA "to put an end to the suffering and casualties caused by anti-personnel mines", welcomes the entry into force of the Convention and notes "with satisfaction the work undertaken to implement the Convention." On the basis of the most recent vote cast by States not parties on this resolution, there are now 20 that are in favour of the norms expressed in this resolution. This includes 6 States not parties (Azerbaijan, China, Kazakhstan, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia) which, in 2004, had still not expressed support for this resolution. The voting record of States not parties on the annual UNGA resolution on the implementation of the Convention can be found in Appendix II, Table 2.

17. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties, in recognising that "universal adherence of the Convention will be an important object of cooperation among States Parties" during the period 2005 to 2009, adopted a number of important commitments.<sup>6</sup> These included that "all States Parties will call on those States that have not yet done so to accede to the Convention as soon as possible" and that "all States Parties will persistently encourage those signatories to the Convention that have not yet done so to ratify it as soon as possible."<sup>7</sup> These and other commitments contained in the Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009 provide the impetus for concerted action on universalization since the Nairobi Summit.

18. An important development in the effort to promote universalization of the Convention and its norms has been leadership on universalization exhibited by Presidents of Meetings of the States Parties. The Presidents of the Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Meetings

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<sup>6</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, paragraph 2.

<sup>7</sup> *Ibid.* actions #1 and #2.

of the States Parties visited or ensured that visits were undertaken to the capitals of several States not parties. Pursuant to the Nairobi Action Plan, many of these visits targeted the few remaining signatories that have not yet ratified the Convention and States not parties “that continue to use, produce, or possess large stockpiles of anti-personnel mines, or otherwise warrant special concern for humanitarian reasons.”<sup>8</sup>

19. The States Parties have carried out a number of actions further to the commitment they made in the Nairobi Action Plan to “actively promote adherence to the Convention in all relevant fora, including the United Nations Security Council, the UN General Assembly, assemblies of regional organisations and relevant disarmament bodies.”<sup>9</sup> As noted, the States Parties have pursued on an annual basis acceptance of a UNGA resolution in support of the Convention. Since the First Review Conference the process of advancing this resolution has been streamlined with, each year, the immediate past, present and designated presidencies of Meetings of the States Parties taking responsibility for leading this resolution. The Council of the European Union, on 23 June 2008, adopted a “Joint Action” in support of the universalization and implementation of the Convention. The General Assembly of the Organization of American States (OAS) has continued to annually call for a mine-free Western Hemisphere and has called on its member States to join the Convention. The North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO), through its Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council (EAPC), has regularly kept EAPC participating States abreast of developments that concern the Convention. In addition, the presidencies of Meetings of the States Parties, along with other States Parties, annually on the occasion of the anniversary of the Convention’s entry into force, have promoted adherence to the Convention in the Conference on Disarmament.

20. Examples abound of States Parties “(seizing) every appropriate opportunity to promote adherence to the Convention in bilateral contacts, military to military dialogue, peace processes, national parliaments, and the media.”<sup>10</sup> Ongoing bilateral efforts on the part of States Parties to promote the Convention, either through special purpose or regular bilateral contact with States not parties, have been particularly important. One State Party has sponsored universalization workshops at least annually and has conducted one or more bilateral universalization activity each year since the Nairobi Summit. Another State Party has regularly demarched States not parties in advance of Meetings of the States Parties. Still another State Party has placed emphasis and energy into promoting universal acceptance amongst the Member States of the Pacific Islands Forum. In carrying out their universalization efforts, States Parties have made use of the Convention’s Implementation Support Unit (ISU) to support their universalization efforts, including by calling upon the ISU to assist States not parties in overcoming remaining barriers to ratification or accession.

21. The States Parties have acted on their commitment to “encourage and support involvement and active cooperation in these universalization efforts by all relevant partners.”<sup>11</sup> Cooperation between the Coordinator of the informal Universalization Contact Group, the ICBL, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and other States Parties has intensified. Members of the Universalization Contact Group, which has been coordinated by Canada, have developed a number of particularly useful methodologies to advance universalization which have met some success. These include research papers to support military-to-military dialogue, a template programme for regional workshops, the

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<sup>8</sup> *Ibid.*, action #3.

<sup>9</sup> *Ibid.*, actions #6.

<sup>10</sup> *Ibid.*, actions #5.

<sup>11</sup> *Ibid.*, actions #8.

offer of technical assistance in overcoming implementation challenges and the use of in-country universalization coordination mechanisms.

22. The States Parties have benefited greatly in the pursuit of universalization from the ongoing persistence of the ICBL in promoting ratification of and accession to the Convention. Since the Nairobi Summit, the ICBL has carried out 26 universalization missions. It has convened workshops on the Convention in Egypt and Lebanon. In addition, the ICBL's country campaigns in Azerbaijan, Egypt, Finland, Georgia, India, Lebanon, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Poland, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Syria, the United States of America and Vietnam have staged major national events. The role of the ICRC in universalization efforts has been equally appreciated. Through its regional legal advisors and delegations worldwide, the ICRC has distributed information about the Convention, including ratification kits, and provided legal advice to States considering ratification or accession. The ICRC has also organised several national and regional events to promote the Convention, including sub-regional meetings in 2007 that focused on universalization in the Persian Gulf and in North Africa. In addition, the ICRC has undertaken a range of bilateral visits and interventions with States not parties.

23. The United Nations (UN) has continued to play a role in universalization. The Secretary-General of the United Nations, on the eve of the tenth anniversary of the Convention's entry into force, "strongly (urged) all States that have not yet done so to accede, as soon as possible, to the Convention." In addition, the UN, notably members of its Inter-Agency Coordination Group, have issued numerous similar statements. As well, the UN has remarked that its assistance in mine action to States not parties has facilitated the accession by some to the Convention.

24. The States Parties have continued "promoting universal observance of the Convention's norms, by condemning, and taking appropriate steps to end the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines by armed non-State actors."<sup>12</sup> States Parties and the UN have expressed their support to the Geneva Call for its work to engage armed non-State actors and to promote their adherence to the Convention's norms. Since the Nairobi Summit, the Geneva Call obtained twelve new signatures of its "Deed of Commitment for Adherence to a Total Ban on Anti-Personnel Mines and for Cooperation in Mine Action." Also since the Nairobi Summit, States Parties expressed the view that, when engagement by non-governmental organisations of armed non-State actors is considered, vigilance is required to prevent those organizations which carry out terrorist acts, or promote them, from exploiting the Ottawa Process for their own goals. With respect to one previous signing, one State Party noted with concern that the Geneva Call proceeded in a manner not consistent with paragraph 17 of the Sixth Meeting of the States Parties' Zagreb Progress Report, which states:

"Also in this context, as rights and obligations enshrined in the Convention and commitments in the Nairobi Action Plan apply to States Parties, some States Parties are of the view that when engagement with armed non-state actors is contemplated, States Parties concerned should be informed, and their consent would be necessary in order for such an engagement to take place."

25. Since the Nairobi Summit, the Philippines Campaign to Ban Landmines launched the "Rebel Group Declaration of Adherence to International Humanitarian Law on Landmines." Four (4) armed non-State actors have signed the "Rebel Group Declaration."

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<sup>12</sup> *Ibid.*, action #7.

26. While advancement toward universal acceptance of the Convention and its norms has been impressive, challenges remain. As noted, several States not parties may still perceive that they derive utility from previously emplaced anti-personnel mines and new use of anti-personnel mines has been recorded, since the Nairobi Summit, on the part of only 3 States not parties (Myanmar, Nepal and the Russian Federation). In addition, as long as States not parties possess stockpiled anti-personnel mines and have not indicated an intention to destroy them, it must be assumed that they remain ready to make new use of these mines.

27. The States Parties have recorded new use of anti-personnel mines by armed non-State actors in 13 States (Afghanistan, Burundi, Colombia, Guinea Bissau, India, Iraq, Lebanon, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, Somalia and Sri Lanka). Also with respect to armed non-State actors, the States Parties have recorded that some key armed non-State actors have been reluctant to renounce the use of anti-personnel mines and challenges persist in mobilising the resources necessary to implement the “Deed of Commitment” and in monitoring it.

28. Two (2) of the Convention’s 133 signatories have not yet ratified, accepted or approved the Convention: the Marshall Islands and Poland, notwithstanding that, in accordance with Article 18 of the 1969 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties, these signatories are obliged to refrain from acts which would defeat the object and purpose of the Convention. While 131 of the Convention’s signatories proceeded apace to ratify the Convention, more than a decade has now passed since the Marshall Islands and Poland signed the Convention without having deposited an instrument of ratification.

29. While there has been an increase in the number of States not parties that have expressed acceptance of the Convention’s norms, in one instance there has been regression. Nepal, which in 2005 voted in favour of the UNGA resolution on the implementation of the Convention, more recently has chosen to abstain when a vote on this matter has been called.

30. The most prevalent barrier to universal acceptance of the Convention remains a persistent view on the part of many States not parties that a perceived marginal military utility derived from anti-personnel mines is not outweighed by the grave humanitarian consequences of their use. More intensive efforts likely are needed, with new tools, to overcome outdated thinking about the utility of anti-personnel mines.

31. For some States that remain outside of the Convention, the matter of accession has been linked to issues unrelated to the Convention. In some instances, State not parties that have professed a degree of support for the Convention’s norms have indicated that they will not proceed with accession unless a political or military adversary does the same. In at least one instance, a State not party has tied accession to the Convention to the resolution of a sovereignty question. Finally, some States with no objections to the Convention remain outside it simply because ratification or accession to it is one of many competing priorities for scarce administrative resources.

32. The progress reports of successive Meetings of the States Parties have noted the desire to ensure regional acceptance of the Convention in Europe. In particular, States Parties have encouraged Finland and Poland to soon join the Convention so that, as a region, Europe might become fully compliant. Finland, which previously had indicated its intent to join the Convention in 2006, has since the Nairobi Summit maintained that it will accede to the Convention in 2012. Poland has indicated that it will ratify the Convention in 2012.

33. Since the Nairobi Summit, it has become clear that there has been a dire need for States Parties, at the ministerial level or higher, to engage States not parties. It has been noted that such efforts should complement more States Parties intensifying engagement of States not parties at the officials’ level and further non-governmental advocacy.

## II. *Destroying Stockpiled Anti-Personnel Mines*

34. At the close of the Nairobi Summit, the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with Article 4 is an obligation that had been, would have been or was relevant for 78 States Parties, including 69 States Parties that had reported, in accordance with Article 7, that they held stockpiled anti-personnel mines when the Convention entered into force for them and 9 States Parties that had reported that they had destroyed their stockpiled anti-personnel mines prior to entry into force. As of 3 December 2004, all States Parties whose deadlines for destruction had occurred by that time reported completion of their stockpile destruction programmes. In total, 126 States Parties no longer held stockpiled anti-personnel mines and together the States Parties had destroyed more than 37 million landmines. By 3 December 2004, the number of States Parties for which the obligation to destroy stockpiled anti-personnel mines remained relevant had been narrowed to include the following 16: Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Bangladesh, Belarus, Burundi, Cyprus, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Greece, Guinea Bissau, Guyana, Mauritania, Serbia, Sudan, Turkey and Uruguay.

35. Since the Nairobi Summit, 13 of the 16 States Parties mentioned above have reported that they have completed the destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines in accordance with Article 4: Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Bangladesh, Burundi, Cyprus, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea Bissau, Guyana, Mauritania, Serbia, Sudan and Uruguay.<sup>13</sup> The number of stockpiled anti-personnel mines destroyed by each is contained in Appendix III, Table 1. Of these States Parties, it was noted that although Afghanistan was unable to fulfil its obligations by its 1 March 2007 deadline, Afghanistan continued its efforts and on 11 October 2007 announced that the physical verification to confirm that stockpiled anti-personnel mines no longer existed had been concluded, thus ensuring compliance by Afghanistan with its Article 4 obligations.

36. Since the close of the Nairobi Summit, the Convention entered into force for Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, the Cook Islands, Ethiopia, Haiti, Indonesia, Iraq, Kuwait, Latvia, Montenegro, Palau, Ukraine and Vanuatu. Of these 13 States Parties, 5 have reported stockpiled anti-personnel mines requiring destruction: Ethiopia, Indonesia, Kuwait, Latvia, and Ukraine. Of these 5 States Parties, 4 have reported that they have completed the destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines in accordance with Article 4: Ethiopia, Indonesia, Kuwait and Latvia.

37. At the close of the Nairobi Summit, 8 States Parties had not yet provided an initial report in accordance with Article 7: Cape Verde, Equatorial Guinea, Estonia, Gambia, Guyana, Papua New Guinea, Saint Lucia and Sao Tome and Principe. Since that time, Estonia, Gambia, Guyana, Papua New Guinea and Saint Lucia and Sao Tome and Principe each provided an initial transparency report as required confirming that no stocks were held. One State Party, Cape Verde, indicated in its initial transparency report that stockpiled anti-personnel mines had been held and destroyed, although destruction took place after Cape Verde's four-year deadline. In addition, of the States Parties for which the Convention entered into force since the Nairobi Summit, the following 8 provided an initial report in accordance with Article 7 confirming that no stocks were held: Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, the Cook Islands, Haiti, Iraq, Montenegro, Palau and Vanuatu. One State Party – Equatorial Guinea – has not yet provided initial transparency information, as required, on matters that concern stockpiles and their destruction.

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<sup>13</sup> At the close of the Nairobi Summit, stockpile destruction remained relevant for Uruguay because it had not yet reported the completion of implementation of Article 4 of the Convention. In June 2005, Uruguay informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that it had in fact completed its stockpile destruction programme in September 2004.

38. There are now four (4) States Parties for which the obligation to destroy stockpiled anti-personnel mines remains relevant – Belarus, Greece, Turkey and Ukraine – with three of these States Parties having been non-compliant with respect to their stockpile destruction obligation since 1 March 2008. As noted, one additional State Party – Equatorial Guinea – has not yet formally confirmed the presence or absence of stockpiled anti-personnel mines, although information from other sources indicates that these States Parties do not hold stocks. Hence, 152 States Parties now no longer hold stocks of anti-personnel mines, either because they never did or because they have completed their destruction programmes. Together the States Parties have reported the destruction of more than 42.3 million mines.

39. As noted, the destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines persists as one of the Convention's most complex remaining challenges. Since 1 March 2008, Belarus, Greece and Turkey have not concluded implementation of their Article 4 obligations within the prescribed time frame for the reasons outlined below. In addition, Ukraine has indicated that it will be unable to comply with its obligation to destroy its stockpiled anti-personnel mines by its 1 June 2010 deadline. The States Parties have remarked that the failure by Belarus, Greece and Turkey, which together had at the time of their deadlines almost eight million stockpiled anti-personnel mines, to comply with their obligations by their deadlines represents a matter of serious concern. While updates provided by Belarus, Greece and Turkey have been welcomed, States Parties have called upon these States to rectify the situation as soon as possible and to continue to be transparent about progress until they have completed destruction. They have also expressed concern with respect to the looming matter of non-compliance on the part of Ukraine. (See Appendix III, Table 2 for a list of the number of mines that remain to be destroyed by each State Party).

40. The Convention entered into force for Belarus on 1 March 2004 meaning that it had a deadline of 1 March 2008 to complete the destruction of its stockpiled anti-personnel mines.

(a) In March 2000 Belarus indicated at a regional workshop in Minsk that it estimated that there were between 4 and 5 million stockpiled anti-personnel mines in Belarus, of which 1.7 million were environmentally dangerous expired PFM-type mines.<sup>14</sup> Belarus further indicated that Belarus was not in a position to destroy these mines without international assistance. At the 7 December 2000 meeting of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction, Belarus reported that it had destroyed 8,000 of its stockpiled anti-personnel mines. Belarus further referred to a report of July-August 2000 UNMAS assessment mission to Belarus which stated that "Belarus' substantial stockpiles of anti-personnel mines, particularly of the PFM-1/1S type, is of primary concern and will require international assistance to deal with" and that "unless action is taken in the short-term, there is a risk that PFM-1/1S type mines will spontaneously combust during storage, resulting in an undesirable explosive event." At subsequent Convention meetings prior to entry into force, Belarus repeated its appeal for finding solutions to the technical difficulties with respect to the destruction of PFM and for financial assistance.

(b) As noted, the Convention entered into force for Belarus 1 March 2004. At the September 2004 Fifth Meeting of the States Parties, Belarus indicated that it held more than 4 million anti-personnel mines, 3.6 million of which were PFM mines. In addition, Belarus again highlighted the challenges involved in destroying the PFM type mines due to the lack of ecologically safe destruction technologies for PFM mines and the lack of financial resources. Belarus repeated its appeal for international assistance. In its initial

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<sup>14</sup> In subsequent years, Belarus reported that these estimates of the number of stockpiled anti-personnel mines were incorrect, providing more accurate figures.

Article 7 report submitted on 23 June 2004, Belarus reported a total of 3,988,057 stockpiled anti-personnel mines, 3,374,864 of which were PFM type mines. On 15 June 2005, Belarus reported to the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that it faced a problem with the destruction of PFM type mines which cannot be destroyed by regular methods and also indicated that it was convinced that destruction of PFM type mines could only be accomplished through joint efforts.

(c) From 2005 to 2009, Belarus provided annual updated information in Article 7 reports on the status of its stockpiled anti-personnel mines. Of the original 3,988,057 mines in stock, Belarus indicated that 110,766 MON-type mines and 200,847 OMZ-72 type mines were transformed to be used in a command-detonated mode, 720 PMN-2 were destroyed and 6,030 mines were retained for purposes permitted under Article 3. In addition, 2,880 PFM-1 mines were destroyed in 2005, leaving a total of 3,371,984 PFM-1 mines to be destroyed. On 11 May 2006, Belarus informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction, that the Ministry of Defence of Belarus and NATO Maintenance and Supply Agency signed a contract in February 2006 on the destruction of anti-personnel mines of types other than PFM, which included 294,775 PMN, PMN-2 POM and POMZ-2. Financial assistance for this project was provided by Canada and Lithuania through a NATO Trust Fund. By the end of 2006, the destruction of these mines was complete and reported by Belarus in its Article 7 reports and at the June 2008 meeting of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction.

(d) Since the completion of the destruction of non-PFM mines in 2006, the information provided by Belarus in its annual reports submitted in accordance with Article 7 indicates that the stockpile of PFM mines has remained unchanged and stands at 3,371,984. On 11 May 2006, at the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction, Belarus indicated that it continued to experience difficulties relating to the destruction of the remaining 3,371,984 PFM mines and that it had signed a “statement of endorsement” to accept technical assistance from the European Commission for the destruction of these mines and that an international tender for the destruction of mines would be carried out with a view to commence implementation of the project by 1 January 2007. On 21 September 2006, Belarus informed the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties that the international tender had been launched by the European Commission and would be finalised by October 2006.

(e) At the 23 April 2007 meeting of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction, Belarus indicated that the tender had been cancelled as an adequate consortium with the technical capacity to destroy the PFM mines could not be identified. Belarus further indicated that it would be unlikely that it would be able to meet its 1 March 2008 destruction deadline. Belarus and the European Commission reaffirmed their commitment to settle the problem of PFM-1 mine disposal and expressed hope that a second tender could be held in 2007. In July 2007, the European Commission earmarked €4.0 million to finance a new project in Belarus for destruction of PFM-1 mines.

(f) At the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties, Belarus reported that it was undertaking, with the European Commission, the preparatory measures to announce a new tender to select a contractor and a destruction technology. On 18 February 2008, Belarus informed States Parties in writing of its failure to fulfil its stockpile destruction obligations by the deadline. On 11 April 2008, Belarus participated actively in consultations convened by the Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction on ways to overcome the challenge of destroying PFM type mines. On 2 June 2008, Belarus informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that it had approved the new draft “Financing Agreement”, proposed by the European Commission in November 2007 and that on 22 January 2008, the given document entered into force. Belarus further indicated that it was still waiting for the submission by the European Commission of the draft terms

of reference and that it was not in a position to indicate any timelines for the implementation of the project.

(g) On 2 June 2008, Belarus noted at the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that the destruction of PFM type mines “is considered a unique problem within the Convention” and that it had “repeatedly stated” that it had “no possibilities to accomplish the destruction of the stockpiled PFM mines without the assistance of the international community.” Belarus further indicated that it had been unable to fulfil its obligation under Article 4 of the Convention by the deadline of 1 March 2008 due to the failure of the European Commission project on the destruction of PFM mines. Belarus expressed its desire to accelerate efforts necessary to satisfy the European Commission administrative procedures so that destruction could proceed soon.

(h) On 26 November 2008, Belarus informed the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties that work was underway to agree on additional documents proposed by the European Commission, including a draft “Terms of Reference”. Belarus also stated that the administrative procedures to implement the “Financing Agreement” and the new project remained complicated and that not only do they not guarantee successful implementation of the project but make it difficult to indicate a start and completion date. Belarus also pointed out that the lack of international assistance did not allow Belarus to fulfil its Article 4 obligations.

(i) On 25 May 2009, Belarus informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that the terms and conditions of the implementation of the PFM-1 mines destruction joint programme were identified and a schedule for the preparatory stage of the phase of the project had been agreed upon. Belarus indicated that an assessment mission by the European Commission was envisaged for June 2009 to determine a place for the destruction facility and once the final version of the agreement would be approved, the European Commission intended to announce a tender to select a contractor to implement the project. On 3 September 2009, Belarus informed the Second Preparatory Meeting in advance of the Second Review Conference that the assessment visit of the European Commission to the proposed destruction site was successful, that the tender was launched in July 2009. The arrangement in the form of an exchange of letters between the European Commission and the Government of the Republic of Belarus on the European Commission project “Destruction of PFM-1 series ammunition in Belarus” that includes terms of reference signed by Belarus on 3 September 2009 and by the European Commission on 14 September 2009. The arrangement entered into force on the date on which it was signed by the last party. The European Commission is planning to sign a contract with winner of the tender in January 2010.

(j) Belarus has reported progress made towards the fulfilment of Article 4 in line with recommendations adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties to address the matter of non-compliance. Belarus has expressed its full support for the aims and its commitment to implement the Convention.

41. The Convention entered into force for Greece on 1 March 2004 meaning that it had a deadline of 1 March 2008 to complete the destruction of its stockpiled anti-personnel mines.

(a) On 23 June 2004, Greece submitted its initial transparency report in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 1, reporting a stockpile of 1,566,532 anti-personnel mines and that Greece “will honour its obligations” and will destroy its mines “within the time frames” in the Convention. On 30 April 2005 Greece reported that a stockpile of 1,566,532 anti-personnel mines remained, that an international tender for the destruction of the mines would take place “in the near future” and that “it is estimated that the stockpile of anti-personnel mines will be completely destroyed within the time limits provided by the

Convention.” No additional information was provided by Greece in its 2006 submission provided to the depository in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 2. On 30 April 2007 Greece reported that a stockpile of 1,566,532 anti-personnel mines remained and that “the stockpiled mines will be possibly transferred to a third country for destruction by the deadline of March 2008.” On 19 November 2007, Greece informed the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties that it had “contracted a specialised private company to destroy the totality of the stockpiled mines.”

(b) On 1 March 2008, Greece’s deadline for the destruction of its stockpiled anti-personnel mines passed. On 30 April 2008, Greece reported that as of 31 December 2007 a stockpile of 1,566,532 anti-personnel mines remained. This implied that, two months prior to Greece’s deadline for the destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines, no mines had been destroyed. On 2 June 2008, Greece informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that it had failed to meet its 1 March 2008 deadline. On 30 July 2008, Greece informed the President of the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties that the destruction procedure would be completed no later than 28 May 2009.

(c) On 26 November 2008, Greece informed the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties that adjustments to its national legislation had caused the stockpile destruction delay. On 30 April 2009, Greece reported that as of 31 December 2008 a stockpile of 1,566,532 anti-personnel mines remained. This implied that, 10 months following Greece’s deadline for the destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines, no mines had been destroyed. In addition, Greece reported that “in the present phase (presumably the phase since the period covered by the report), 24,868 anti-personnel mines had been destroyed and that the destruction procedure “is estimated to be fulfilled by the end of October 2009.” On 25 May 2009, Greece informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that the total number of mines to be destroyed was 1,586,159, that 225,962 mines had been transferred to Bulgaria and were destroyed and that the transfer and destruction of all stockpiled mines “will be completed by the end of 2009.”

42. The Convention entered into force for Turkey on 1 March 2004 meaning that it had a deadline of 1 March 2008 to complete the destruction of its stockpiled anti-personnel mines.

(a) On 1 October 2004, Turkey submitted its initial transparency report in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 1, reporting a stockpile of 2,973,481 anti-personnel mines and that a mine destruction facility was being built to undertake the destruction of the mines. On 30 April 2005, Turkey reported that as of 31 December 2004 a stockpile of 2,973,481 anti-personnel mines remained. On 29 November 2005, Turkey informed the Sixth Meeting of the States Parties that the destruction facility was scheduled for completion in 2006. On 30 April 2006, Turkey reported that as of 31 December 2005 a stockpile of 2,979,165 anti-personnel mines remained and that the destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines had not yet commenced. On 11 May 2006, Turkey informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that efforts were underway to ensure the destruction facility would be fully operational by July 2007. On 23 April 2007, Turkey reported that as of 31 December 2006 a stockpile of 2,866,818 remained with 18,236 M18 type mines having been removed from its previous total due to their “special technical features” and with 94,111 stockpiled anti-personnel mines destroyed.

(b) On 19 November 2007, Turkey informed the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties that its munitions destruction facility had been inaugurated on 8 November 2007 and that “unless unforeseen technical difficulties occur due to the operation of (the facility), (Turkey hopes) to be able to fulfil (its) obligation under Article 4, using if necessary other available methods.” On 28 February 2008, on the eve of its 1 March 2008 deadline for the destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines, Turkey, through a note verbale addressed to the presidency of the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties, informed all States Parties that

“it is difficult to make an estimate on when the destruction of all stockpiled anti-personnel mines could be accomplished” and that means, other than the destruction of mines at its munitions destruction facility had been disregarded “bearing in mind their negative impact on the environment, as well as the risk they pose for human life.” In April 2008, Turkey reported that, as of 31 December 2007, 2,616,770 stockpiled anti-personnel mines remained and that 250,048 stockpiled mines had been destroyed in 2007.

(c) On 2 June 2008, Turkey informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that, as of 30 May 2008, 2,587,249 stockpiled anti-personnel mines remained and that the fuses of all anti-personnel mines had been removed and destroyed, rendering these mines unusable. On 26 November 2008, Turkey informed the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties that, as of 20 November 2008, 1,824,833 stockpiled anti-personnel mines remained and that it hoped that in 2010 it will have completed stockpile destruction. In April 2009, Turkey reported that, as of 31 December 2008, 1,702,982 stockpiled anti-personnel mines remained and that 918,788 stockpiled mines had been destroyed in 2008. On 25 May 2009, Turkey informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that more than 1.6 million anti-personnel mines had been destroyed, that 1,325,409 stockpiled anti-personnel mines remained to be destroyed and that it hoped that it will have completed stockpile destruction “at the possible earliest stage in 2010.” On 2 December 2009, Turkey provided an update on the status of its stockpile destruction programme to the Second Review Conference and indicated that up to the end of October 2009, a total of 2,004,168 anti-personnel mines had been destroyed, leaving 956,761 remaining to be destroyed

43. The Convention entered into force for Ukraine on 1 June 2006 meaning that it has a deadline of 1 June 2010 to complete the destruction of its stockpiled anti-personnel mines.

(a) Prior to ratifying the Convention, Ukraine, on 31 January 2002, informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that it possessed 6.35 million anti-personnel mines and that it had entered into agreements with NAMSA to undertake the destruction of 400,000 PMN type mines.<sup>15</sup> On 19 September 2003, Ukraine informed the Fifth Meeting of the States Parties that the PMN mines had been destroyed in accordance with the agreement with NAMSA and with the financial support of Canada, the Netherlands, Poland and Hungary.

(b) On 12 February 2004, Ukraine informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that almost 6 million PFM type mines remained in its stockpiles and that their destruction would be the main problem Ukraine would have to solve pursuant to the Convention’s obligations. On 24 June 2004, Ukraine reiterated to the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that although all PMN mines had now been destroyed the destruction of PFM-type anti-personnel mines “remained the major challenge”. Ukraine made an appeal for “international assistance for an efficient, cost-effective and environmentally safe destruction of PFM type mines” and indicated that “with EC financial support and under EC control” the first phases of PFM trials in Ukraine had been successfully completed by summer 2003 and noted that second phases will be finished by autumn 2004 ready to “start destruction by Spring 2005”. Ukraine also reaffirmed its intention to become a State Party in the foreseeable future and highlighted that it was waiting for an official guarantee from donors regarding technical and financial support for the destruction. Also on 24 June 2004, the European Commission informed the Standing Committee that it would commit €4.0 million to assist Ukraine in destroying its stockpile of 6 million PFM mines. It further indicated that this commitment would provide a concrete guarantee to Ukraine that the European Commission would support the destruction of their

<sup>15</sup> In contrast to PFM type mines, which are technically challenging to destroy, PMN type mines can be destroyed through less expensive and less technically intensive means.

entire stockpile and the EC also specified that should this amount not be enough it would be ready to increase funds available to complete the job. The EC also highlighted that its assistance would be conditional on Ukraine's prior ratification of the Convention. On 27 December 2005, Ukraine ratified the Convention.

(c) On 12 December 2006, Ukraine submitted its initial transparency report in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 1, reporting a stockpile of 6,405,800 anti-personnel mines, 5,950,684 of which were PFM mines. On 21 September 2006, Ukraine informed the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties that it was "very close to complete the preparation process and it is expected that the first practical PFM destruction will take place in the nearest future". In addition, Ukraine noted that the successful negotiations with the European Commission were instrumental to Ukraine's ratification of the Convention. In its Article 7 report submitted in 2007, Ukraine reported that a stockpile of 6,304,907 anti-personnel mines remained. On 23 April 2007, Ukraine informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that Ukraine is "open for cooperation with the international community in order to resolve this problem" of destroying the 6,304,907 anti-personnel mines that remained. On 20 April 2008, Ukraine reported that a stockpile of 6,454,003 anti-personnel mines remained.

(d) On 27 November 2008, Ukraine informed the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties that due to the "unexpected withdrawal" of assistance by the European Commission it may no longer be in a position to comply with its Article 4 obligation and that "timely fulfilment of Ukraine's obligations under Article 4 of the Ottawa Convention appeared under threat". The European Commission subsequently informed the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties that, based on the termination of the contract by the contractor, cooperation had been suspended due to a decision by the Ukrainian Ministry of Defence to change the "preselected destruction sites, without obtaining prior consent by the European Commission, and without ensuring that the site possessed the necessary site-specific licenses for the destruction of ammunition and without confirming such use with its owner." On 14 January 2009, during the meeting in the Office of the EC Delegation in Kyiv European and Ukrainian sides decided to give their cooperation project a new start.

(e) In a letter from the President of the European Commission to the Prime Minister of Ukraine on 10 October 2008, the European Commission warmly welcomed a decree by the President of Ukraine to start its national programme for stockpile destruction and reiterated its commitment to assist Ukraine in this field. In addition, the letter stated that any activities in this area would need to be considered in the context of the European Neighbourhood Partnership Instrument (ENPI). The European Commission further indicated that since stockpile destruction was not identified as a priority in the ENPI National Programme 2007-2010, a stand-alone stockpile destruction project would not be possible and that any assistance "needed to be in the form of support to capacity building under the general technical assistance envelope in the annual ENPI programme for Ukraine."

(f) On 20 April 2009, in its Article 7 report, Ukraine reported that a stockpile of 6,453,859 anti-personnel mines remained. On 25 May 2009, Ukraine informed the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction that it possessed 149,096 POM-2 mines and 5,950,372 PFM-1 mines and that it planned to destroy 1,500,000 mines in 2009 and 600,000 in 2010. Ukraine indicated that "the lack of financial resources undermines the plan". Ukraine expressed that the gap between existing national resources and what is required to complete the work necessary to ensure compliance with the Convention is the greatest difficulty that it faces in the destruction of its stockpiled anti-personnel mines.

(g) In June 2009, the European Commission launched an experts' mission to assess available destruction facilities and to determine the type of assistance. The final report of the experts' mission confirmed that Ukraine has the technical know-how to

destroy its stockpiled PFM type mines, although significant investment in technology and equipment is needed in order for Ukraine to comply with Article 4.

(h) On 16 June 2009, the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS) received a request for assistance from Ukraine related to the destruction of its stockpiled anti-personnel mines. UNMAS and Ukraine are currently discussing modalities for the provision of expert support.

(i) Following the recommendations, in the letter of the President of the European Commission to the Ukrainian Prime Minister in 2008, the APL destruction was identified as one of the Ukrainian priorities that could be financed under the ENPI (European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument) Ukrainian National Programme (UNP) for 2011-2013. Ukraine has informed accordingly the European Commission representation in Kyiv on September 29, 2009. Further action needs to be identified in the course of the negotiation between Ukraine and the European Commission in the frame of the Ukrainian National Programme (UNP) for 2011-2013.

44. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties noted the technical challenges associated with the safe and environmentally sound destruction of PFM1-type anti-personnel mines and that this was a matter relevant to Belarus and Ukraine. While, as noted at the Nairobi Summit, appropriate destruction technologies have been identified, the complexity of destruction combined with the limited number of entities capable of destroying these mines, the vast numbers of these mines held by Belarus and Ukraine, the inadvisability of transferring these mines for destruction and the high cost of destruction has resulted in a compelling implementation challenge for both States Parties. States Parties have recognised that the destruction of PFM mines is significantly more challenging and complex, technically and financially, than the destruction of other anti-personnel mines.

45. Both Belarus and Ukraine have sought assistance in accordance with Article 6, paragraph 1 of the Convention and further to the agreement made at the Nairobi Summit that “States Parties in a position to do so will act upon their obligations under Article 6, paragraph 5 (of the Convention) to promptly assist States Parties with clearly demonstrated needs for external support.”<sup>16</sup> This implies that the matter of ensuring compliance on the part of Belarus and Ukraine is the business of all States Parties. The States Parties have welcomed the role played by the European Commission in offering assistance but have equally remarked that arriving at a fruitful conclusion on matters concerning cooperation and assistance remains a challenge. In this context, the States Parties have recalled that Article 6, paragraph 8 states “each State Party giving and receiving assistance under the provisions of this Article shall cooperate with a view to ensuring the full and prompt implementation of agreed assistance programs.”

46. The Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction have sought to address the matter of non-compliance by Belarus, Greece and Turkey and endeavour to prevent future instances of non-compliance, including by Ukraine. On 25 November 2008 at the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties, the Co-Chairs submitted the document entitled “Informal closed consultations on PFM mines”, which documents the conclusions drawn at consultations that took place in Geneva on 11 April 2008. This document reflects key challenges faced by Belarus and Ukraine in destroying PFM mines. The Co-Chairs’ efforts have included engaging relevant States Parties in informal consultations, facilitating dialogue between Belarus and Ukraine, respectively, and the European Commission, and encouraging a high degree of transparency. In addition, the Co-Chairs submitted

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<sup>16</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, action #13.

recommendations to the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties as a means to give due attention to cases of non-compliance and to prevent future instances of non-compliance. The recommendations, the implementation of which was encouraged by the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties, are as follows:

(a) States Parties in the process of implementing Article 4 should communicate to other States Parties, through annual transparency reports, at every meeting of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction and at every Meeting of the States Parties, plans to implement Article 4, successively reporting increasing progress being made towards the fulfilment of Article 4 obligations.

(b) States Parties should engage by means at their disposal, for example diplomatic contacts, notes verbales, etc., to encourage and facilitate, where appropriate, the destruction of stockpiles by States Parties that still must fulfil Article 4 obligations. They should be concerned and preventative measures should be taken if, one year after entry into force, a State Party that must implement Article 4 does not have a plan to do so and if, two years after entry into force, no progress in the destruction of stockpiled mines has been reported.

(c) In order to prevent or address compliance issues, the Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction should hold informal consultations with concerned States Parties, donors and relevant experts. Consultations as a preventative measure should be undertaken well in advance of deadlines to achieve their intended impact.

(d) Non-compliant States Parties should act in a committed and transparent way, immediately communicating, preferably in a form of a *note verbale* addressed to all States Parties, the reasons, which should be extraordinary, for failing to comply and providing a plan to ensure compliance as soon as possible, including an expected completion date. They should commit national resources to fulfil their obligations and, if relevant, actively pursue assistance.

47. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties agreed that “all States Parties will, when previously unknown stockpiles are discovered after stockpile destruction deadlines have passed, report such discoveries in accordance with their obligations under Article 7, take advantage of informal means to share such information and destroy these mines as a matter of urgent priority.” This matter has remained important to the States Parties since the Nairobi Summit. To facilitate transparency on this matter, the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties adopted amendments to the Article 7 reporting format. In addition, Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction have provided a forum for the informal exchange of information on previously unknown stockpiles.

48. With respect to previously unknown stockpiles discovered after stockpile destruction deadlines have passed, the following information has been reported by States Parties since the Nairobi Summit, Afghanistan reported the destruction of 62,498 anti-personnel mines in 2008. At the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties in November 2007, Bangladesh stated that “with regards to mines recovered after the destruction deadline, as soon as such mines are recovered, they are taken to the nearest destruction site and immediately destroyed, maintaining necessary safety measures. These mines are never listed in the inventory of the retained stockpiles for training purposes of the Bangladesh Army.” In April 2007, Bosnia and Herzegovina reported that its armed forces discovered 15,269 stockpiled MRUD anti-personnel mines in several locations. Bosnia and Herzegovina destroyed 14,073 of these mines, retaining 150 for purposes permitted under Article 3 of the Convention, transferring 396 mines to EUFOR for permitted purposes and donating 20 mines to the Ministry of Defence of Germany.

49. In its transparency report submitted in 2008, Bulgaria reported that it had destroyed 12 anti-personnel mines that “were omitted by accident in previous inventory checks.” In its transparency report submitted in April 2009, Burundi reported that it was in the process of recovering a cache of 41 type TS 50 anti-personnel mines. In its transparency report submitted in 2009, Cambodia reported that from 2004 to 2007, 98,132 previously unknown stockpiled anti-personnel mines were destroyed. In 2007 at the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties, Chad indicated that since its stockpile destruction deadline passed in November 2003, 1,169 anti-personnel mines were discovered by operators in abandoned depots and destroyed. In its transparency report dated 3 April 2009, the Republic of Congo reported that 4,000 mines found in an abandoned warehouse were destroyed on 3 April 2009 and that another 508 anti-personnel mines would be destroyed very soon. At the 25 May 2009 meeting of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction, Niger reported that it had seized 1,772 anti-personnel mines from armed non-State actors and destroyed these mines in August 2008. In its Article 7 report submitted on 25 April 2008, Ecuador indicated that 1,001 mines previously retained for purposes permitted under Article 3 had been destroyed.

50. In its initial transparency report submitted in 2008, Iraq reported that while it did not own or possess stockpiled anti-personnel mines, the matter will be further investigated and if stockpiled anti-personnel mines are identified, they will be reported and appropriate plans will be developed for their destruction. In its transparency report submitted in 2008, Uganda reported that 120 Type 72 mines were destroyed “as part of the massive munition destruction exercise totalling 270 tonnes conducted by the UPDF in coordination with the National Focal Point for Small Arms and Light Weapons and with the support of the UNDP and SaferAfrica.”

51. Another technical issue highlighted since the Nairobi Summit is related to the destruction of stockpiled artillery delivered anti-personnel mines (ADAM). The States Parties have noted the potential complexity associated with the destruction of these mine types, which contain or may contain depleted uranium and that steps should be taken to enhance understanding associated with the destruction of ADAM. Greece and Turkey have reported that they possess ADAM which they must destroy.

### *III. Clearing mined areas*

52. At the close of the Nairobi Summit, 50 States Parties had reported areas under their jurisdiction or control that contain, or are suspected to contain, anti-personnel mines and hence had been or were required to fulfil the obligations contained in Article 5 of the Convention Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cambodia, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Djibouti, Ecuador, Eritrea, France, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea Bissau, Honduras, Jordan, Malawi, Mauritania, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Niger, Peru, Rwanda, Senegal, Serbia, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Tajikistan, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. Of these, 4 States Parties – Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Djibouti and Honduras – had indicated that they had completed implementation of Article 5.

53. Since the Nairobi Summit, the following has transpired:

(a) The Convention entered into force for four States Parties that have reported areas under their jurisdiction or control that contain, or are suspected to contain, anti-personnel mines: Bhutan, Ethiopia, Iraq and Vanuatu.

(b) Of the States Parties for which the Convention entered into force prior to the Nairobi Summit, two – Gambia and Nigeria – have since the Nairobi Summit reported areas

under their jurisdiction or control that contain, or are suspected to contain, anti-personnel mines.

(c) Niger indicated that the presence of anti-personnel mines was no longer suspected on its territory based on a careful examination of all reported mines-related accidents of the 1990-2000 conflict and of the more recent conflict started in February 2007 and that these accidents were only due to anti-vehicles mines.

(d) In 2008, Vanuatu reported that it does not consider that there are areas under its jurisdiction or control that contain or are suspected to contain anti-personnel mines and that this information supersedes the information in its initial transparency report submitted in 2006.

(e) 11 States Parties reported the completion of their Article 5 obligations: Albania, France, Greece, Guatemala, Malawi, Rwanda, Suriname, Swaziland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia and Zambia.

54. Given what has transpired since the Nairobi Summit, in total there are 53 States Parties that have reported that they have been or are required to fulfil the obligation contained in Article 5, paragraph 1 of the Convention. Of these, 15 States Parties have now reported that they have fulfilled their obligation to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas. There are now 39 that must still fulfil this obligation.

55. In addition to progress in terms of the number of States Parties that have reported completion of their Article 5 obligations, progress has been made by many of the 39 States Parties that remain in the process of fulfilling Article 5 obligations. Whereas in 2004 in Afghanistan approximately 788.7 square kilometres were known or suspected to be contaminated, today there are approximately 234 square kilometres known to contain mines and 394 square kilometres suspected to contain mines. At the Sixth Meeting of the States Parties, Algeria had reported that 5,676 hectares remained to be addressed. As of 31 March 2009, 361.2 hectares had been cleared and handed over to civilian authorities. In Angola, a Landmine Impact Survey identified over 980 million square metres of suspected hazardous areas. In June 2008, Angola reported that this had been reduced to approximately 895 million square metres. In Bosnia and Herzegovina, the amount of area suspected to contain mines has been reduced from approximately 2,000 square kilometres in 2004 to approximately 1,573 square kilometres today. In May 2009, Burundi reported that only 2 of 234 original suspected hazardous areas had been cleared and that 58 additional areas had been identified.

56. In Cambodia, while a Level 1 Survey had initially identified 3,066 suspect hazardous areas totaling 4,544 square kilometres; Cambodia has now estimated that approximately 648.8 square kilometres of land are suspected to contain mines. Whereas in 2004 in Chad there were 1,081 square kilometres suspected to contain mines today there are 678 square kilometres of suspected area. In Chile there are now 164 minefields remaining to be cleared in contrast to 208 minefields that existed in 2004. As of May 2009, Colombia had cleared minefields laid around 22 of 34 military bases and had made a commitment to clear all such areas by 1 March 2011. Whereas in 2004 in Croatia there were 1,350 square kilometres suspected to contain mines, there is now approximately 950 square kilometres of affected land. Cyprus has reported that there are now only 10 minefields under its jurisdiction or control that remained to be cleared in contrast to 23 minefields that existed in 2004. In Denmark, 2.55 square kilometres of land containing or suspected to contained mines that was reported in 2004 has now been reduced to approximately 1.25 square kilometres.

57. Whereas in 2004 in Ecuador there were 128 mined areas, there are now 76 mined areas that remain to be cleared. In 2009, Eritrea reported that of 752 original areas of concern, 702 remained pending technical survey. At the Ninth Meeting of the States

Parties, Ethiopia reported that it had cleared more than 43 million square metres and had released another 660.16 square kilometres through other means. In Greece, only two minefields out of an original total of 57 remain to be cleared. Whereas at the Nairobi Summit Guinea Bissau reported 17 suspected minefields, there are now 12 minefields with a total area of approximately 2.2 million square metres that remain of concern. Whereas Jordan's original clearance challenge measured approximately 60 square kilometres, now less than 10 square kilometres remain to be cleared. In 2006 Mauritania had reported 88 square kilometres that were suspected to contain mines. In May 2009, Mauritania reported that 15 square kilometres remained affected by the presence or suspected presence of mines. Whereas at the Nairobi Summit it was recorded that Mozambique still had to contend with over 130 million square metres of suspected hazardous areas, in May 2009 Mozambique reported that this had been reduced to approximately 10 million square metres.

58. Whereas Nicaragua at one time had to contend with 1,005 demining "targets", in May 2009 Nicaragua reported that only 10 targets remained. In its Article 5 extension request, Peru recorded that its remaining challenge as concerns mined areas along its border with Ecuador had been reduced from 69 areas totalling 491,015 square metres to 35 areas totalling 192,061 square metres. Whereas in 2004 it was estimated that there were approximately 6 million square metres of areas suspected to contain mines in Serbia, in May 2009 Serbia reported that 973,420 square kilometres remain. In May 2009 Sudan reported that 1,665 dangerous areas remain, down from a previous estimate of 4,475 areas. Whereas Tajikistan's original challenge totalled over 50 million square metres, as of December 2008, 14,849,631 square metres remained. Whereas in 2004 in Thailand there was over 2,500 square kilometres suspected to contain mines, there are now approximately 550 square kilometres of suspected hazardous areas. Between 2005 and 2009, Turkey reported having destroyed over 100,000 emplaced anti-personnel mines. After General Mine Action Assessments (GMAAs) were carried out in Uganda, Uganda's original total of 427 suspected hazardous areas was reduced to two such areas. In its extension request considered in 2008, Yemen indicated that of 1,088 areas totalling 923,332,281 square metres that were of concern to Yemen, 631 areas totalling 710,103,911 square metres have been released.

59. On the basis of information provided by States Parties, since entry into force no mined areas that Argentina, Congo, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) have reported under their jurisdiction or control have been cleared of anti-personnel mines or otherwise determined to be not dangerous due to the presence or suspected presence of anti-personnel mines.

60. Through information provided by States Parties in the process of implementing Article 5, particularly on the part of States Parties that have submitted detailed requests for extensions on Article 5 deadlines, it is possible to conclude that efforts to clear mined areas in the context of fulfilling Convention obligations has yielded impressive socio-economic benefits. In its extension request submitted in 2009, Cambodia remarked that 16 years of demining have achieved extensive socio-economic benefits allowing poor and rural communities access to services and markets, land for resettlement and agriculture, irrigation and road infrastructure, and access to services by people living with disability including mine victims. Demining activities have also enabled the construction of schools, community centres, health centres, and access to sources of water. Moreover, casualty numbers have fallen substantially. In Croatia, the number of victims decreased every year as a result of the demining of priorities related to the return of displaced persons, good marking and the mine risk education programme. The clearance of roads, bridges and railway lines allowed for the reconstruction of existing infrastructure facilities such as the electro-distribution network, the water supply systems, the oil pipeline and telecommunication facilities.

61. In its extension request considered in 2008, Jordan indicated that the benefits of mine action in the country are almost immediate due to a combination of scarcity of natural resources, high population growth rates and robust foreign private sector. Illustrations of the macro socio-economic catalytic role that mine clearance has played can be seen in various areas which include infrastructure (for example construction of a dam which will once completed be the main sources of fresh water in Jordan), development projects (housing) as well as agriculture (reestablishment of farms in the Jordan Valley) and tourism (development of the Baptism Site). In Mozambique it was projected in 2001 that over 580,000 people and 318 communities were affected by anti-personnel mines and explosive hazards in the provinces of Cabo Delgado, Niassa, Nampula and Zambézia. By 2007, completion of implementation of Article 5 of the Convention in these provinces meant that there were no longer people or communities affected by such hazards in these parts of Mozambique. States Parties have also indicated that completing implementation of Article 5 will yield significant benefits. For example, in its extension request submitted in 2008, Yemen reported that some of the remaining mined areas are in Yemen's Hadramout governorate where there is a great potential for oil exploration and therefore that completing implementation will remove a barrier to this important development initiative and help reduce Yemen's dependence on imported oil.

62. The States Parties have repeatedly recalled that in accordance with Article 5 of the Convention, States Parties must "make every effort to identify all areas under (their) jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines are known or suspected to be emplaced" and undertake "to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under (their) jurisdiction or control, as soon as possible but not later than ten years after the entry into force of (the) Convention for (a particular) State Party." In this context, the States Parties have further recalled that the term "mined area" is defined in Article 2 of the Convention as "an area which is dangerous due to the presence or suspected presence of mines." The implementation of Article 5 requires that States Parties render all such areas no longer dangerous due to the presence or suspected presence of anti-personnel mines. The States Parties have recognised that this is indeed possible as has been demonstrated by State practice and given the advances made in the field of humanitarian demining, complete with the guidance to complete implementation of Article 5 that is provided through the United Nations International Mine Action Standards.

63. The States Parties have noted that Article 5 compliance is part of the Convention's overall comprehensive approach to ending the suffering and casualties caused by anti-personnel mines, for all people, for all time. Anti-personnel mines, and the clearance of them, have and/or could have a humanitarian impact, an impact on development, an impact on the disarmament goal of the Convention and an impact on solidifying peace and building confidence. The States Parties have further recorded that while terms like "mine-free," "impact-free," and "mine-safe" are sometimes used, such terms do not exist in the text of the Convention and are not synonymous with Convention obligations.

64. To assist States Parties in reporting completion of the implementation of Article 5, the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties adopted a "voluntary declaration of completion of Article 5 obligations." This declaration, which recognises that even after best efforts have been made to complete implementation of Article 5 previously unknown mined areas may be discovered and must be reported and cleared as soon as possible, has been used by Albania, France, Greece, Malawi, Rwanda, Swaziland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Zambia. Each of these States Parties used the voluntary declaration as a starting point to providing clarity regarding Article 5 implementation, noting the precise areas containing or suspected to contain anti-personnel mines that had been dealt with and the methods and means used to achieve completion.

65. Since the Nairobi Summit, States Parties have begun to make use of the provisions in Article 5, paragraphs 3-5, that permit a State Party, should it believe that it will be unable to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas that it has reported not later than 10 years after the entry into force for the State Party, to submit a request for an extension of this 10-year deadline. The States Parties have been aided in doing so through decisions taken at the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties to establish “a process for the preparation, submission and consideration of requests for extensions of Article 5 deadlines.”

66. The States Parties’ Article 5 extensions process calls for requesting States Parties to submit their requests to the presidency no fewer than nine months prior to the Meeting of the States Parties or Review Conference at which a decision on the request would be sought, to append their national demining plans and to request, if necessary, the assistance of the ISU in preparing requests. Once requests have been submitted, the presidency is to inform the States Parties and make requests openly available. The President, the Co-Chairs and the Co-Rapporteurs are then tasked with jointly preparing an analysis of each request and cooperating fully with requesting States Parties to clarify issues and identify needs. In preparing each analysis, the President, the Co-Chairs and the Co-Rapporteurs, in close consultation with the requesting State Party, should, where appropriate, draw on expert mine clearance, legal and diplomatic advice, using the ISU to provide support. All States Parties are encouraged to provide additional, earmarked funds to the ISU Trust Fund to cover the costs related to the Article 5 extensions process.

67. Subsequently, at the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties, the States Parties adopted a voluntary template to facilitate preparation and assessment of extension requests and the Implementation Support Unit has provided to requesting States Parties a suggested outline for organising the content provided in Article 5 extension requests. (See appendix IV.) Most States Parties that have submitted requests have made use of this suggested outline and many have made pragmatic use of the voluntary template, adapting it to meet particular national circumstances. All States Parties that have submitted a request or may need to in the near future have been made aware of the assistance available from the ISU. Many requesting States Parties have made intensive use of this assistance. The ISU has also worked in close collaboration with the UNDP in some instances to support States Parties in preparing extension requests.

68. The process for the preparation, submission and consideration of requests for extensions of Article 5 deadlines has led to the establishment of an orderly and predictable calendar for submitting, analysing and considering requests for extensions of Article 5 deadlines. It is implied that a State Party that believes it will be unable to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas that it has reported by its deadline should submit its request in advance of the last Meeting of the States Parties or Review Conference prior to its deadline. In 2008, 15 States Parties with deadlines in 2009 submitted requests for extensions of Article 5 deadlines: Bosnia and Herzegovina, Chad, Croatia, Denmark, Ecuador, Jordan, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Peru, Senegal, Thailand, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen and Zimbabwe. These requests were considered at the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties.

69. One State Party with a deadline in 2009 submitted a request in 2009: Uganda. As late as 27 May 2009, Uganda had informed the States Parties that it would fulfil its obligations by its 1 August 2009 deadline. On 2 July 2009, Uganda wrote to the President of the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties to indicate that on the basis of an evaluation of new information, Uganda would not be able to comply by its deadline and that it would submit a request for an extension in August 2009. As of 1 August 2009 and until its request was considered by the States Parties at the Second Review Conference, Uganda was

noncompliant with Article 5 of the Convention. In addition in 2009, 3 States Parties with deadlines in 2010 submitted requests for extensions of Article 5 deadlines: Argentina, Cambodia and Tajikistan. Along with the request submitted by Uganda, these requests were considered at the Second Review Conference.

70. The timing of meetings in recent years has suggested that States Parties submitting requests for extensions of Article 5 deadlines should do so by 31 March of each year. Many have not adhered to this deadline. This was noted as a challenge in a report submitted by the President of the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties.<sup>17</sup> In this report, which was warmly welcomed by the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties, the President recommended that requesting States Parties adhere to the March submission date or otherwise inform the President of circumstances that may prevent timely submission. This and other recommendations were embraced by the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties.

71. In keeping with the decisions of the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties, the Presidents of the Eighth and the Ninth Meetings of the States Parties have informed all States Parties of the requests for extensions of Article 5 deadlines that have been submitted and have made requests, revised requests and additional information furnished by requesting States Parties publicly available on the Convention's web site, [www.apminebanconvention.org](http://www.apminebanconvention.org). In addition, these Presidents have further kept the States Parties abreast of the application of the Article 5 extensions process by reporting to meetings of the Standing Committee on Mine Clearance, Mine Risk Education and Mine Action Technologies and issuing other written updates as required.

72. A major achievement of the President of the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties, the Co-Chairs and the Co-Rapporteurs in analysing requests for the first time in 2008 was to develop working methods for the analysis effort. The complete set of working methods was documented in the report submitted to the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties by the President of the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties. Some of the highlights of these methods, which were applied in a uniform manner in 2009, are as follows:

(a) The Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Mine Clearance, Mine Risk Education and Mine Action Technologies, with the support of their Co-Rapporteurs, have enhanced the efficiency of the process by making initial determination of the completeness of requests and have immediately sought to obtain additional information that may be necessary for a complete analysis.

(b) It has been understood that expertise to assist in the analysis process could be obtained from a variety of sources and a variety of forms. The expertise of the ICBL, ICRC and UNDP has been called upon given the broad scope of these organisations' expertise. Expert input on demining and other techniques to release suspected hazardous areas has been called for and provided by the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD) and the Coordinator of the informal Resource Utilisation Contact Group. The views of the ICRC on legal matters have been sought. In addition, input from the leading humanitarian demining operators active in requesting States Parties has been requested and provided.

(c) It has been concluded that with respect to conflicts of interest, the President would ask members of the analysing group to excuse themselves from the analysis of their own requests or the analysis of a request with which they have a conflict of interest, such as a territorial or sovereignty dispute with the requesting State Party.

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<sup>17</sup> APLC/MSP.9/2008/WP.35.

(d) The analysing group developed tools based on the provisions of Article 5, paragraph 4 of the Convention and relevant decisions of Meetings of the States Parties. These tools served the analysing group members to structure their input, and ensured that each request was treated in a uniform manner according to the same principles, taking into account its own particular characteristics.

(e) Those leading the effort to analyse requests have done so from the point of view that the analysis process should be a cooperative one ultimately leading, in many circumstances, to improved revised requests being submitted and to the possibility for decisions to be taken in an orderly manner at Meetings of the States Parties and Review Conferences. The Presidents who have chaired the group of States Parties mandated with analysing requests have engaged in a dialogue with requesting States Parties, writing to seek additional clarifications of various matters, offering advice on ways to improve requests and inviting representatives of all requesting States Parties to an informal discussion with the analysing group.

(f) Those leading the effort to analyse requests have sought to conclude their work eight to ten weeks prior to the Meetings of the States Parties or Review Conferences when requests would be formally considered. Requesting States Parties have been asked to submit, also eight to ten weeks prior to such meetings, a final two to five page executive summary of their requests containing an overview of information necessary for an informed decision to be taken, with these executive summaries translated and with detailed requests made available in their original languages.

(g) It has been concluded that the analysing group should aim for consensus in all aspects of the analysis process. In 2008, the analysing group adopted the analyses on requests submitted by consensus. It has been further understood that, should there be differences of views regarding analyses, a variety of methods for taking decisions on analyses and / or for incorporating differing points of view of analysis exist. While the analyses produced by the group in 2008 may not have been as rigorous as some members desired, ultimately the final products were agreed to by all participating members of the analysing group, thus ensuring that views contained in the analyses represent the points of view of a wide diversity of States Parties from all regions.

73. As noted, in 2008, 15 States Parties with deadlines in 2009 submitted requests for extensions of Article 5 deadlines with these requests considered at the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties. In addition to granting these requests, the States Parties took decisions related to each request, in many instances recording common understandings and concerns. These additional decisions, combined with the commitments made by States Parties in their requests, including annual projections of progress to be made during extension periods, have become important means for the States Parties to measure progress in the implementation of Article 5 by these States Parties. This was demonstrated for the first time at the 27-28 May 2009 meeting of the Standing Committee on Mine Clearance, Mine Risk Education and Mine Action Technologies when each of the 15 States Parties that was granted an extension in 2008 was requested to provide an update relative to these projections, understandings and concerns. Most of these States Parties complied with this request.

74. In three instances, decisions taken in 2008 on Article 5 extension requests highlighted the value of States Parties requesting only the period of time necessary to gather and assess data on landmine contamination and other relevant information with a view to develop a meaningful forward looking plan based on this information. These decisions – on requests submitted by Chad, Denmark and Zimbabwe – recorded that while it may be unfortunate that after almost ten years since entry into force a State Party is unable to specify how remaining work will be carried out, it is positive that the States Parties in question, within their respective extension periods, will garner an understanding

of the true remaining extent of the challenge and develop plans accordingly that precisely project the amount of time that will be required to complete Article 5 implementation.

75. In two instances (i.e., the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)), decisions taken in 2008 on Article 5 extension requests noted that no demining had taken place since entry into force. In one instance (i.e., Senegal), decisions noted that it is unfortunate that after almost ten years since entry into force a State Party is only beginning to obtain clarity regarding the challenge it faces and has demined very little. In four instances (i.e., Ecuador, Peru, Senegal and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)), decisions taken noted that if certain conditions permit the States Parties in question could proceed with Article 5 implementation faster than that suggested by the amount of time requested. In one instance (i.e., the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), decisions taken included a time bound commitment on the part of the State Party in question to provide a detailed explanation of how demining is proceeding and the implications for further demining in order to meet the State Party's obligations.

76. In several instances (e.g., Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Ecuador, Thailand and Yemen) decisions taken in 2008 on Article 5 extension requests noted that success in implementation during the requested extension period was contingent upon increased funds provided by a variety of sources, including internal sources. In addition, in several instances (e.g., Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Jordan and Senegal), decisions noted the value of additional clarity being provided on matters such as the size and locations of mined areas that remain to be addressed and in the terminology used to describe various areas. As well, in some instances (e.g., Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Senegal), decisions noted the importance of developing, applying, further applying or increasing the performance of various methodological approaches to releasing areas suspected to contain mines.

77. The extension request process has resulted in the most comprehensive information ever prepared on the state of implementation by several requesting States Parties. In addition, some requesting States Parties have seized on the opportunity presented through an extension request to reinvigorate national and international interest in their national demining programmes, in large part by demonstrating national ownership and that implementation is possible in a relatively short period of time. The States Parties have embraced the recommendation that States Parties that will need to submit a request at a future date equally seize on the opportunities presented by the extension request process to clearly communicate the state of national implementation and to reinvigorate interest in a collective effort to complete implementation of Article 5.

78. As noted, 39 States Parties have reported that they still must complete implementation of their obligation to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas: Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Bhutan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, Cambodia, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Congo, Croatia, Cyprus, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Ecuador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Guinea Bissau, Iraq, Jordan, Mauritania, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Peru, Senegal, Serbia, Sudan, Tajikistan, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen and Zimbabwe. (See appendix VI). An important measure of the ongoing vibrancy of the Convention will relate to the intensification and acceleration of efforts on the part of these States Parties to implement Article 5 in the period following the Second Review Conference.

79. One of the first challenges faced by many States Parties that must still complete implementation of Article 5 is to undertake or complete the task, described in Article 5, paragraph 2, and as reiterated in the Nairobi Action Plan to "make every effort to identify

all areas under (a State Party's) jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines are known or suspected to be emplaced.”<sup>18</sup> As noted in appendix V, several States Parties, including some for which the Convention entered into force several years ago, have not yet provided clarity pursuant to their obligation under Article 7, paragraph 1(c), to report on “the location of all mined areas that contain or are suspect to contain, anti-personnel mines.” It is reasonable to expect that all relevant States Parties could overcome this challenge prior to a Tenth Meeting of the States Parties.

80. The implementation of Article 5 by many States Parties, particularly as evidenced in the Article 5 extension requests submitted by some, has demonstrated complex challenges associated with identifying the exact boundaries of mined areas. This has been particularly the case for some States Parties that have relied on a Landmine Impact Survey report as a baseline for understanding the approximate size and location of areas suspected to contain anti-personnel mines. In many instances, these and other efforts have resulted in an imprecise identification and significant overestimation of the size of mined areas and have led to inappropriate allocations of time and resources.

81. Based on several years of field-based efforts that were brought to the attention of the States Parties, beginning at the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties, the States Parties have come to understand that large areas have been targeted for manual or mechanical mine clearance which ultimately resulted in no mines or other explosive hazards being found. Given advances in identifying mined areas, it is now understood that the challenges faced by many States Parties may be less than previously thought and that efforts to fulfil Convention obligations can proceed in a more efficient manner. Those States Parties that must still complete implementation of Article 5 are now greatly aided by understanding the limitations of Landmine Impact Surveys and by applying recommendations embraced by the States Parties on applying all available methods to achieve the full, efficient and expedient implementation of Article 5.<sup>19</sup>

82. The States Parties understand that three main actions can be undertaken to release from consideration for Article 5 implementation land that has been identified and reported as “mined areas” as defined by the Convention:

(a) Land may be released through non-technical means, such as systematic community liaison and field based data gathering that involves women, girls, boys and men of communities concerned, and improved procedures for cross-referencing data and updating databases.

(b) Land may be released through technical survey, that is, through a detailed topographical and technical investigation of an area to more precisely identify a smaller area requiring clearance, thus enabling the release of the balance of the area investigated.

(c) Land may be released through clearance, that is, physically and systematically processing an area manually or with machines to a specified depth in accordance with existing best practices to ensure the removal and destruction of all mines and other explosive hazards.

83. The States Parties have noted that land released through non-technical means, when undertaken in accordance with high quality national policies and standards that incorporate various key principles (including community involvement), is not a short-cut to implementing Article 5.1 but rather is a means to more expediently release, with confidence, areas at one time deemed to be “mined areas”.

<sup>18</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, action #18.

<sup>19</sup> APLC/MSP.9/2008/WP.2.

84. Since the States Parties endorsed recommendations in 2008 on applying all available methods to achieve the full, efficient and expedient implementation of Article 5, three new International Mine Action Standards have been developed to facilitate the understanding of and application of these methods.

85. The Article 5 extensions process has demonstrated the inadequacies of the management of information for mine action on the part of several States Parties that are in the process of implementing Article 5. The States Parties, through the recommendations they embraced at the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties, have called for all States Parties implementing Article 5 to ensure that best practices for the management of mine action information are adhered to in order that, if they should at a later date need to request an extension, all necessary information is available to serve as a factual basis for a national demining plan and a time period to be requested. Moreover, high quality information is necessary in order to prepare a compelling declaration of completion. Recent improvements to the management and application of the Information Management System for Mine Action (IMSMA) should assist States Parties to better manage their information needs.

86. The implementation of Article 5 by some States Parties, particularly as evidenced in the Article 5 extension requests submitted by some, has demonstrated that a slow pace of work has persisted in some instances. Some States Parties have expressed the view that the number of Article 5 requests submitted itself is inconsistent with the obligation under the Convention to destroy all anti-personnel mines in mined areas as soon as possible. Others have expressed that States Parties requesting extensions should present realistic plans for the extension period. As well, some States Parties shared the view that each request should be analysed on its own merits taking into account the characteristics and conditions particular to each requesting State Party.

87. The implementation of Article 5 by some States Parties, particularly as evidenced in the Article 5 extension requests submitted by some, has again highlighted the value that States Parties derive from the United Nations International Mine Action Standards (IMAS). Since the Nairobi Summit, the IMAS have continued to be developed and widely accepted. IMAS are a requirement for all mine clearance work contracted by the United Nations and serve as a guide to national authorities. Of the States Parties that submitted requests for extensions of Article 5 deadlines submitted in 2008 and 2009, 15 indicated that they have carried out mine clearance and related activities using standards that have been based on the IMAS. In addition, the national standards developed by 7 States Parties have been made available at [www.mineactionstandards.org](http://www.mineactionstandards.org).

88. The States Parties have recalled that Article 5 implementation, particularly along borders, has an important relationship to the obligation contained in Article 1 of the Convention to never under any circumstances use anti-personnel mines. In this context, the States Parties have noted the need to proceed with Article 5 implementation along borders and in other areas to avoid the semblance of violating Article 1. The States Parties have also noted the importance, where a border dispute exists over land that is considered a “mined area”, to do the maximum to coordinate work with the relevant State, be it a State Party or a State not party, in such a way that clearance can proceed even where the border is not delineated or demarcated.

89. The States Parties have stressed that women, girls, boys and men are differently affected by landmines. In particular it has been noted that the implementation of Article 5, where relevant, should target and result in benefits for all members of society by diversity mainstreaming in mine action. Some mine action operators now have solid experience in including both women and men in mine clearance, which has been a strengthening of such action. Inclusion of a gender perspective, for example through full participation of all groups in a community in consultations on mine clearance, will also enhance mine action by rendering it more efficient and effective. Challenges remain in fully implementing this

approach, but culture and tradition do not constitute the main obstacles to doing so. It is rather a lack of knowledge and will that constitute the real barriers.

90. States Parties are required to report on “the measures taken to provide an immediate and effective warning to the population in relation to all areas identified under paragraph 2 of Article 5.” In reports submitted in accordance with Article 7, the following 30 States Parties have provided information since the Nairobi Summit related to such measures having been taken: Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, Cambodia, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Croatia, Cyprus, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Guinea Bissau, Jordan, Mauritania, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Peru, Rwanda, Senegal, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, United Kingdom, Venezuela, Yemen and Zimbabwe.

91. The States Parties agreed in the Nairobi Action Plan that “States Parties that have reported mined areas under their jurisdiction or control, where they have not yet done so, will do their utmost to significantly reduce risks to populations and hence reduce the number of new mine victims (...)” and to “ensure that mine risk education programmes are made available in all communities at risk (...)”<sup>20</sup> Since the Nairobi Summit, several States Parties have made progress in ensuring that risk has been reduced to their populations, as evidenced through information on casualties furnished by States Parties. (See Appendix VII.) In addition, the States Parties have come to understand that mine risk education (MRE) is part of a broader spectrum of risk reduction activities.

92. The States Parties have noted that the traditional view of MRE, as a one-way mass communication of information, though still relevant and beneficial in emergency situations and in isolated incidents where community awareness is assessed as negligible, is no longer considered the best approach on its own in most situations. It is now generally accepted that MRE is most effective when it is carried out as an integral part of mine action and not in isolation from other mine action disciplines. It has become clear that MRE activities provide important support to efforts concerning mine clearance and victim assistance through the collection of information which supports mine action strategic thinking, planning and priority setting. For instance, data collection, assessments and analysis should be incorporated into ongoing programme planning, priority-setting, implementation and the selection of tools and methodologies. In addition, MRE should be tailored to the context and needs of individual contexts.

93. The States Parties have recognised that MRE is most useful when delivered as part of general risk reduction and risk education efforts with sustained community participation and two-way communication being essential. It is understood that in order to ensure the most effective approach, a general assessment of the risk faced by a community should be undertaken to identify whether traditional MRE is required, scarce resources could best be allocated to other risk reduction activities, MRE can be delivered in conjunction with other risk reduction activities and to ensure that the diverse risk reduction needs of any given community are taken into account, and, that approaches are adapted to different audiences through appropriate messages, techniques and mediums that take age and gender as well as social, economic, political and geographical factors into consideration.

94. The States Parties agreed in the Nairobi Action Plan that they will “strengthen efforts to enable mine-affected States Parties to participate in the fullest possible exchange of equipment, material and scientific and technological information (...) and “share information on – and further develop and advance – mine clearance techniques,

<sup>20</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, actions #20 and #21.

technologies and procedures (...)”<sup>21</sup> Since the Nairobi Summit, this exchange has been facilitated in part by the International Test and Evaluation Programme (ITEP), which has continued to provide a platform for information sharing and the testing of demining machines and other equipment. In addition, UNMAS and the GICHD also convened two mine action technologies workshops. Using these forums, experts have promoted improvements in the reliability and performance of demining machines and metal detectors and highlighted the manner in which the Global Position System (GPS) and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) are greatly increasing the effectiveness and efficiency of survey and post clearance documentation and noted that a number of dual sensors with enhanced detection capability are now available.

95. Since the Nairobi Summit, procedures for mechanical demining operations have improved. It is, for example, now generally accepted that, when carrying out technical survey with a demining machine that has been internationally and locally tested and has a record of good performance, the requirement for manual follow-up can be reduced or eliminated when there is no evidence of mines during the mechanical intervention. There is increasing recognition that the use of machines for technical survey can significantly speed up the process of releasing land. It is now generally accepted that there should be a multi-layered approach taken with respect to mechanical assets. For example, the value has been noted of mechanical demining platforms having a dual capacity so that either a flail or tiller can be used. As well, metal debris and fragmentation in areas where a demining machine is working can be removed by attaching a magnet to the machine. This not only removes metal that would slow down manual follow-up with metal detectors, but it also collects evidence of mines and other explosive remnants of war when the machine is used in a technical survey role.

96. The training methods and techniques for mine detection dogs have become increasingly streamlined since the Nairobi Summit. Research discredited prior beliefs concerning the endurance of dogs as well as their inability to work effectively in certain environments. In addition, advances have been made in remote explosive scent tracing (REST) with these advances including a dramatic decrease in false positive indications.

97. The States Parties have come to see that the lessons derived from fulfilling Article 5 obligations are applicable in addressing related challenges associated with other explosive remnants of war. In many instances, the organisational structures, the capacities that have been built and the standards that have been established largely as a result of the need to implement Article 5 are also being applied to address weapons contamination more broadly. States Parties such as Albania and Zambia that have worked tirelessly to complete implementation of Article 5 as soon as possible can benefit from these gains. However, they will also require ongoing support in the spirit of the Convention to ensure a sustainable approach dealing with unexploded ordnance (UXO). In a similar vein, Palau, which has not had the requirement of destroying emplaced anti-personnel mines, is benefiting from assistance derived from its participation in the work of the Convention in the destruction of UXO on its territory.

#### IV. *Assisting the victims*<sup>22</sup>

98. Unlike the clear task and definitive deadlines for stockpile destruction and mine clearance, the Convention’s victim assistance obligation is less specific. However, the States Parties have not seen this as an obstacle, but seized upon it as an opportunity to take

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<sup>21</sup> *Ibid.*, action #25.

<sup>22</sup> The more empowering term “survivor” is also used in this document when referring specifically to individuals who have survived a landmine explosion.

action. In doing so the States Parties, particularly through the work of the Standing Committee on Victim Assistance and Socio-Economic Reintegration since the Nairobi Summit, have made great advances in formally elaborating understandings regarding what the aim of victim assistance is and how it should be pursued.

99. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties adopted a definition of a “landmine victim” that includes individuals, families and communities – those who either individually or collectively have suffered physical or psychological injury, economic loss or substantial impairment of their fundamental rights through acts or omissions related to mine utilisation. While logically the emphasis of the States Parties’ efforts have been on addressing the rights and needs of those directly impacted by mines, the States Parties have come to recognise that it may be necessary to seek to address to a greater extent the needs of families, for example, in the area of psychological support, economic reintegration / inclusion, and support for the education of children, as the impact on the family of those killed or injured should also be taken into account.

100. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties formally agreed on a set of understandings that provided the basis for States Parties to act strategically on victim assistance in the period 2005-2009. Since 2005, through the work of the Standing Committee on Victim Assistance and Socio-Economic Reintegration, States Parties have strengthened their understanding of the place of victim assistance within the broader context of disability, healthcare, social services, rehabilitation, reintegration, employment, development, human rights and gender equality, recognising that victim assistance efforts should promote the development of services, infrastructure, and policies to address the rights and needs of all women, girls, boys and men with disabilities, regardless of the cause of the disability. Since the First Review Conference, there has been a concerted effort to apply these understandings.

101. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed that all States Parties in a position to do so have an obligation to assist mine victims. In addition, it was agreed that this responsibility is most relevant for the States Parties that are ultimately responsible for significant numbers – hundreds, thousands or tens of thousands – of landmine survivors. There are 26 States Parties that have reported a responsibility for significant numbers of survivors: Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, Cambodia, Chad, Colombia, Croatia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, El Salvador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Guinea Bissau, Iraq, Jordan, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Peru, Senegal, Serbia, Sudan, Tajikistan, Thailand, Uganda and Yemen. The challenges faced by many of these States Parties in fulfilling their responsibilities are profound. Therefore, while not forgetting the responsibilities to landmine survivors wherever they may be, it was agreed that a greater emphasis must be placed on the fulfilment of the responsibilities by these States Parties and on providing assistance to them where necessary. This focus has provided a useful framework for the work on victim assistance within the context of the Convention and has contributed to the introduction of implementation processes for victim assistance at the national level in several of these States Parties. The States Parties have come to recognise both the value of focusing attention and support where the needs are greatest and that some States Parties may now be in a position to share their experiences with others in relation to addressing the rights and needs of mine victims while at the same time implementing their own plan of action.

102. While important understandings and principles were adopted at the Nairobi Summit and while the States Parties established a focus on where the challenge was the greatest and hence where there was the greatest potential for progress, the States Parties still lacked a clear understanding of what could be or should be achieved as concerns victim assistance by a certain point in time. By not knowing what needed to be done by certain key milestone dates like the Convention’s Second Review Conference in 2009, the States Parties were

setting themselves up for disappointment because there was no clear understanding of what it means to have fulfilled their promise to mine victims and no clear objectives to measure progress against.

103. In 2005, Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Victim Assistance and Socio-Economic Reintegration initiated an effort to promote concrete progress in meeting the needs of landmine victims before the Second Review Conference. The Co-Chairs developed a foundation tool – a questionnaire – in consultation with key stakeholders, including Handicap International (HI), the Landmine Survivors Network, the World Rehabilitation Fund (WRF), the World Health Organisation (WHO), the ICRC and the ICBL. This questionnaire was inspired by the Strategic Framework for Planning Integrated Victim Assistance Programmes, which was developed by Switzerland in 1999, and was based on the Guidelines for the Socio-Economic Reintegration of Landmine Survivors, which was produced by the WRF and the UNDP in 2003. The main aim of this questionnaire was to encourage the relevant States Parties in question to establish SMART – specific, measurable, achievable, relevant and time-bound – objectives to improve/change the current situation for mine survivors and other persons with disabilities in their country by the time of the Second Review Conference.

104. In 2005, the Sixth Meeting of the States Parties' Zagreb Progress Report summarised the responses to the questionnaire made by 22 States Parties responsible for significant numbers of landmine survivors. These responses provided a more solid basis for developing a road map regarding what needed to be done between 2005 and the Second Review Conference to achieve the aims of the Nairobi Action Plan in relation to victim assistance. However, the States Parties acknowledged that the questionnaire was not an end-product but rather an initial step in a long-term planning and implementation process.

105. The States Parties have come to understand that real and sustainable progress rests with sovereign States articulating in their own voices their challenges and plans to overcome them. All Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Victim Assistance and Socio-Economic Reintegration since the Nairobi Summit have ensured continuity by building on the achievements of one another and basing their efforts on the logic that the ultimate responsibility of meeting the rights and needs of landmine survivors within a particular State rests with that State. No external actor can define for it what can or should be achieved by when and how in meeting the needs of these survivors. However, States Parties recognise that others may have the ability to assist in understanding challenges and in developing and monitoring the effectiveness and implementation of plans and programmes.

106. Since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties have come to better understand that the situation for every State is different and that specific priorities for achieving the aims of the Convention in relation to victim assistance should be determined by individual States Parties based on their very diverse circumstances and unique characteristics. However, the States Parties have come to understand that there is one feature that is relevant for all States Parties. The States Parties have come to recognise that victim assistance is a process that involves an age- and gender-sensitive, rights based, and holistic approach in which each component – emergency and continuing medical care, physical rehabilitation, psychological support, and social and economic reintegration / inclusion – is essential and requires specific objectives to ensure high quality standards, availability and accessibility of services to promote the ultimate aim of full and effective participation and inclusion. The States Parties understand that such an approach can only be achieved through collaboration and coordination between all relevant ministries and actors in the disability sector, including mine survivors and other persons with disabilities.

107. The States Parties have recognised that the best way to assure progress in achieving the victim assistance aims of the Convention is to work intensively, on a national basis with relevant States Parties in order to reinforce national ownership and ensure the long-term

sustainability of victim assistance efforts. Therefore, the primary focus of the work of the Co-Chairs has been to assist national authorities responsible for healthcare, rehabilitation, social services, employment, or disability issues more generally in the process of setting their own specific and measurable objectives and developing and implementing plans of action. When plans for the disability sector already exist, the focus has been on ensuring that mine survivors have access to the services and benefits enshrined within those plans and that the relevant ministries are aware of their States' obligations under the Convention.

108. On the basis of earmarked funding provided by Australia, Austria, Belgium, New Zealand, Norway and Switzerland, the ISU has been able to offer inter-ministerial process support to all relevant States Parties and has undertaken intensive process support visits to Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, Cambodia, Chad, Colombia, Croatia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Guinea Bissau, Jordan, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Peru, Senegal, Serbia, Sudan, Tajikistan, Thailand, Uganda, and Yemen. Process support aims to advance the State's inter-ministerial efforts to establish better objectives and develop and/or implement good plans. The aims are an improved capacity on the part of the State Party to set its own specific objectives, to develop and implement plans of action and to improve institutional frameworks to address disability issues, in order to ultimately achieve a tangible improvement in services available to landmine victims and other persons with disabilities.

109. Since the Nairobi Summit, progress has been made as most relevant States Parties have engaged, to some extent, in the process of developing SMART objectives and/or a national plan of action to meet the aims of the Nairobi Action Plan in relation to victim assistance. For the first time clear objectives have been established and national plans developed in some relevant States Parties and the aim of assisting landmine survivors is being taken into account in broader disability and human rights approaches. Furthermore, since the Sixth Meeting of the States Parties in November 2005, at least 13 relevant States Parties revised their objectives to be more specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound – SMARTer: Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Cambodia, Croatia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Nicaragua, Serbia, Sudan, Tajikistan, and Uganda. At least 13 relevant States Parties have developed, or have initiated an inter-ministerial process to develop and/or implement, a comprehensive plan of action to meet their objectives: Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cambodia, Chad, El Salvador, Jordan, Senegal, Sudan, Tajikistan, Thailand, and Uganda. Furthermore, at least 23 relevant States Parties have reported progress in the achievement of specific objectives: Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, Cambodia, Chad, Colombia, Croatia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Guinea Bissau, Jordan, Nicaragua, Peru, Senegal, Serbia, Sudan, Tajikistan, Thailand, Uganda and Yemen.

110. Appropriate experts from relevant State entities are now participating in the work of the Convention. Since 2007, the Co-Chairs have organised programmes for these victim assistance experts that have run parallel to the meetings of the Standing Committees and the Meetings of the States Parties. These programmes have made the best possible use of the time dedicated by health, rehabilitation and social services professionals by stimulating discussion and increasing the knowledge of the expert participants on key components of victim assistance and the disability issue more generally. Particular emphasis has been given to the place of victim assistance in the broader contexts of disability, healthcare, social services, and development. In addition to the health, rehabilitation, social services and disability rights professionals from the relevant States Parties, the programme also benefits from the active participation of mine survivors and other experts from international and non-governmental organisations. The parallel programme for victim assistance experts has provided a forum in which the experts can share experiences, priorities and challenges in addressing the rights and needs of landmine victims and other persons with disabilities

and provides a clearer picture of the reality on the ground in many affected States Parties. As part of the parallel programmes, expert presenters discussed good practice and new developments in areas such as emergency medical care, physical rehabilitation, psychological and social support including peer support, economic empowerment, community-based rehabilitation, data collection, inclusive development, disability sector coordination mechanisms, and the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

111. Significant progress has been made in several instances to foster inter-ministerial interaction at the national level. Some relevant States Parties have convened inter-ministerial workshops that have brought together all relevant actors to discuss and consolidate improvements on objectives and the development and implementation of action plans. Since 2005, workshops or seminars to discuss victim assistance in the context of the Convention and/or to develop a plan of action to meet the aims of the Nairobi Action Plan have been convened in at least 14 relevant States Parties: Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cambodia, Colombia, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Nicaragua, Senegal, Sudan, Tajikistan, Thailand, and Uganda. Furthermore, since 2006, at least five relevant States Parties have convened follow-up workshops to review progress in implementing its plan of action and have developed, or are in the process of developing, revised objectives and plans of action: Afghanistan, Albania, El Salvador, Sudan, and Tajikistan.

112. Progress has been made in achieving the victim assistance aim of the Convention. The States Parties recognise that the most identifiable gains have been process-related and the real promise of the Convention is to make a difference on the ground, in the lives of survivors, the families of those killed or injured, and their communities. However, without the full involvement of the appropriate governmental actors and without the application of coherent and realistic strategies, the potential for meaningful, measurable or sustainable difference in the lives of mine victims would be limited.

113. The principles adopted by the States Parties at the Nairobi Summit remain valid, namely the non-discrimination of victims, national ownership, and an integrated and comprehensive approach, including one that incorporates a gender perspective, involves the participation of all relevant government agencies, survivors, service providers, non-governmental organisations and others in a position to assist and one that is transparent, efficient and sustainable. While these principles continue to provide a solid foundation, the profile of some principles needs to be raised and some understandings need to be applied with greater vigour in order to achieve additional progress toward the full and effective participation and inclusion of mine survivors, including men, women, girls, boys and men, in the social, cultural, economic and political life of their communities.

114. The work to implement the Convention has resulted in an increased understanding that addressing the rights and needs of landmine victims is a long-term commitment that will require the coordinated efforts of relevant States Parties, international agencies, non-governmental organisations, the donor community and survivors themselves. The States Parties have come to recognise the importance of the inclusion and active participation of mine victims and other persons with disabilities in the development, implementation and monitoring of policies, plans, and programmes.

115. Since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties have increased their understanding that victim assistance should be integrated into development plans and poverty reduction strategies. The concept of *inclusive development* has been highlighted as an appropriate mechanism to ensure that landmine victims and other persons with disabilities have access to the same opportunities in life — for healthcare, social services, a life-sustaining income, education and participation in the community — as every other sector of a society. However, the States Parties also understand the value of a “twin-track approach” and that while integrating victim assistance into development programmes is important it may also

be necessary to provide specialised services to ensure that mine survivors are empowered to participate on an equal basis with others. The States Parties have come to recognise that development efforts that benefit mine victims and other persons with disabilities will in turn contribute to achieving their country's development objectives, including the United Nations Millennium Development Goals, through their full participation in social, economic and political spheres. The States Parties in a position to assist have come to recognise the importance of development cooperation that is inclusive of and accessible to persons with disabilities, including mine survivors.

116. Since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties have strengthened their understanding that a broad gender and diversity perspective is necessary in all victim assistance efforts to address the rights and needs of women, girls, boys and men with disabilities. The gender dimension of victim assistance will vary according to the local context in terms of how mine accidents affect various groups of people, which must also be taken into consideration in victim assistance efforts. Furthermore, the circumstances and experience of all persons in vulnerable situations in mine-affected communities, including internally displaced persons, the elderly, people living in extreme poverty and other marginalised groups, should also be considered in victim assistance efforts.

117. It remains valid that victim assistance does not require the development of new fields or disciplines but rather calls for ensuring that existing healthcare and social service systems, rehabilitation programmes and legislative and policy frameworks are adequate to meet the needs of all citizens — including landmine victims. However, the States Parties acknowledge that greater priority should be accorded to health, rehabilitation and social services systems in areas where landmine victims are prevalent to ensure accessibility to appropriate services. In particular, the States Parties acknowledge that greater efforts are needed to build capacities to provide appropriate emergency medical care to enhance the prospects of landmine victims surviving an accident.

118. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties agreed that “victim assistance” included work in six areas: data collection to understand the extent of the challenges faced; emergency and continuing medical care; physical rehabilitation; psychological support and social reintegration; economic reintegration; and, the establishment, enforcement and implementation of relevant laws and public policies. These six defined components have worked well to provide a framework for action. However, the States Parties have increased their understanding of the importance and cross-cutting nature of psychological support, including peer support, and the need to raise the profile of this component to assist mine survivors and the families of those killed or injured to overcome the psychological trauma of a landmine explosion and promote their social well-being. The States Parties continue to recognise the value of income generation and the economic empowerment of mine survivors to promote self-sufficiency and independence.

119. Since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties have come to understand that the issue of accessibility is about enabling landmine survivors to live independently and participate fully in all aspects of life, by ensuring equal access to the physical environment, services, communications and information, and identifying and eliminating obstacles and barriers to accessibility. The States Parties recognise the need to ensure that victim assistance efforts take into account the social and human rights of women, girls, boys and men with disabilities including the removal of physical, social, cultural, economic, political, geographic and other barriers.

120. Since 2005, the States Parties have come to recognise the concept of community-based rehabilitation (CBR) as an appropriate mechanism in some States Parties to strengthen, and improve access to, services for mine survivors. The States Parties have come to understand CBR to be a strategy within general community development for enhancing the quality of life of persons with disabilities, including landmine survivors, and

their families by improving service delivery for rehabilitation, equalisation of opportunities, poverty reduction and social inclusion of persons with disabilities. CBR is being implemented in many of the relevant States Parties through the combined efforts of persons with disabilities themselves, their families, organisations and communities, and the relevant governmental and non-governmental health, education, vocational, social and other services. It was noted that in 2010, new CBR guidelines will be launched by the WHO.

121. Since 2005, the States Parties have increased their understanding of the concept of inclusive education as a means of ensuring that children and adults with disabilities have access to quality education at all levels including primary school, secondary and tertiary education, vocational training and adult education. The States Parties recognise that all persons have a right to education regardless of their individual difficulties or characteristics. The States Parties have also come to recognise the importance of promoting inclusive education as part of national education plans, policies and practice, and the need to support families as necessary to facilitate access to education for survivors and/or the children of those killed or injured in a landmine explosion.

122. Since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties have a much clearer understanding of the challenges faced in addressing the rights and needs of landmine victims and other persons with disabilities. In particular, the States Parties recognise the need to address the persistent challenge of translating increased understanding on victim assistance into tangible improvements in the quality of daily life of mine victims on the ground. However, the States Parties equally recognise that achieving progress in this area is complicated by the broader set of complex challenges that face most developing countries. What is important is to ensure that measurable progress is made toward overcoming these challenges. The main challenges include: disability rights often not seen as a priority by policy makers; weak capacity to address disability issues at all levels; limited or lack of inclusion of persons with disabilities in decision making processes; limited disability-related data for planning purposes; services not meeting the needs in terms of both quantity and quality; limited or lack of accessibility to services and opportunities in rural areas; weak State structures and hence weak bureaucratic, human resource, technical and financial capacity to develop, implement and monitor objectives, national plans, and legislation in a transparent manner; inadequate resources to build government capacity to provide services in rural areas; lack of sustainability of national ownership, interest and will when faced with other competing priorities; and, inadequate long-term international cooperation and assistance in both the provision of financial resources and technical support and in linking of resources to identified needs.

123. The States Parties continue to recognise that many of the relevant States Parties remain dependent on international agencies, non-governmental organisations and other services providers for the delivery of appropriate services. Since the Nairobi Summit, the UN Mine Action Team and others have increasingly integrated their victim assistance efforts within the broader contexts of disability, healthcare, social services, rehabilitation, reintegration, employment, development, human rights and gender equality, and they have sought to strengthen national capacities in these areas. Strengthening collaboration and cooperation between all relevant actors will be essential if measurable progress in improving the quality of daily life for mine victims is to be achieved.

124. A major achievement of the States Parties is that their efforts have resulted in victim assistance in the context of the Convention having become measurable. Relevant States Parties have responded to the request of the Co-Chairs to provide a detailed update on the status of victim assistance in their country. These reports have been collated into a document entitled **Status of Victim Assistance in the Context of the AP Mine Ban Convention in 26 States Parties: 2005–2009**. They provide a body of evidence with regard to how the understandings on victim assistance agreed to at the Nairobi Summit

have been converted from words on paper and into action. This demonstrates that progress has been made even though the States Parties recognise that significant challenges in each area of victim assistance of course remain to ensure the full and effective participation of mine survivors and the families of those killed and injured in the social, cultural, economic and political life of their communities.

#### **Understanding the extent of the challenges faced**

125. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed that relevant States Parties would “develop or enhance national mine victim data collection capacities (...)”<sup>23</sup> The following year, in 2005, accurate and up-to-date disaggregated data on the number of new landmine casualties was available in 6 relevant States Parties. None of the relevant States Parties were able to provide comprehensive information on the total number of survivors and their specific needs. There was no reported capacity to integrate mine casualty data into the health information system and/or injury surveillance system and no reported effective coordination/referral mechanism. By the Second Review Conference, 9 relevant States Parties had reported that a comprehensive mine casualty data collection mechanism has been established and is functioning. In 13 relevant States Parties there is some capacity to collect information on mine casualties but it is not comprehensive and/or systematic, and 3 report that a capacity is being developed to collect information on mine casualties. In one relevant State Party, there continues to be no reported capacity to collect information on mine casualties.

126. By the Second Review Conference, one relevant State Party had reported that mine casualty data is integrated into the national health information system and / or injury surveillance system, 4 report that there is some capacity to integrate mine casualty data into the health information system and / or injury surveillance system, and 7 had reported that such a capacity is being developed to integrate mine casualty data into the health information system and/or injury surveillance system. 14 relevant States Parties have reported no change or improvement in capacity to integrate mine casualty data into broader mechanisms.

127. By the Second Review Conference, 4 relevant States Parties had reported that comprehensive information is available on the numbers and location of mine survivors to support the needs of programme planners and resource mobilisation. In 14 relevant States Parties there is some information available on the numbers, sex, age, and location of mine survivors and in 5 relevant States Parties the capacity to provide comprehensive information is being developed. In 3 relevant States Parties there continues to be no reported capacity to provide comprehensive information.

128. By the Second Review Conference, 2 relevant States Parties had reported that an effective coordination / referral mechanism is in place to improve access to services. In 13 there is a limited coordination / referral mechanism and in 5 the capacity is being developed to implement an effective coordination / referral mechanism. In 6 relevant States Parties there continues to be no reported coordination / referral mechanism.

129. Based on the information provided by relevant States Parties, at least 22 have achieved some degree of progress in improving their capacity to understand the extent of the challenges faced in addressing the rights and needs of landmine victims. There is a significantly clearer picture of the magnitude of the challenge as measured, at least, by a credible accounting of the number of survivors in some of the 26 relevant States Parties.

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<sup>23</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, action #34.

However, despite advances made in data collection tools and methodologies,<sup>24</sup> and in information systems, many relevant States Parties still know little about the specific needs of survivors and the assistance received or needed. Some of the best data collection exercises continue to be performed by actors other than States Parties themselves, with national ownership over this matter not yet achieved. The challenge for many States Parties during the period 2010 to 2014 will be to enhance their disability data collection capacities, including on mine victims, integrating such systems into existing health information systems and ensuring full access to disaggregated information in order to support the needs of programme planners and resource mobilisation.

### **Emergency and continuing medical care**

130. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed that relevant States Parties would “establish and enhance healthcare services needed to respond to immediate and ongoing medical needs of mine victims (...) and that the provision of appropriate emergency and continuing medical care, or the lack of it, has a profound impact on the immediate and long-term recovery of mine victims..”<sup>25</sup>

131. In 2005, in 13 relevant States Parties there was no reported information or services to provide emergency medical care to mine casualties in affected areas was reported to be chronically underdeveloped. By the Second Review Conference, 3 relevant States Parties report that comprehensive services to provide emergency medical care to mine casualties are available in affected areas, 11 report that some level of service to provide emergency medical care is available but there are gaps in services, and 8 report that there is an infrastructure to provide emergency medical care, but that it is experiencing serious disruption and/or shortages or is otherwise weak. Only 4 relevant States Parties report no change/improvement in services for emergency medical care.

132. In 2004, a profound challenge that many relevant States Parties faced was the need to ensure that healthcare workers in affected areas were trained in emergency first-aid to respond effectively to landmine and other traumatic injuries. The States Parties have increased their understanding of the benefits of training lay-people in mine-affected communities to lower mortality rates by providing care as soon as possible after accidents. Training first responders at the village and community level increases accessibility to services by bringing the services closer to the people. Such training of first responders is being provided relevant States Parties by NGOs such as Emergency, Trauma Care Foundation (TCF), ICRC, national Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, and World Health Organisation.

133. In 2005, 13 relevant States Parties reported that there was no known training for first responders and other trauma specialists in the country or that training was available but was inadequate to meet the needs. By the Second Review Conference, 6 relevant States Parties had reported that appropriate training for first responders and other trauma specialists is available, 7 reported that training for first responders and other trauma specialists is available but its effectiveness is limited by a lack of resources, and 10 reported that training for first responders and other trauma specialists is available but is inadequate to meet the needs. Only 3 relevant States Parties report no change/improvement in available training.

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<sup>24</sup> Guidance documents available since the Nairobi Summit include: the WHO’s **Guidelines for Conducting Community Surveys on Injuries and Violence**; Handicap International’s **Conducting Survey on Disability: A Comprehensive Toolkit - National Disability Survey in Afghanistan**; and the Mine Action Information Centre’s **Landmine casualty data: best practices guidebook**.

<sup>25</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, action #29.

134. Trauma care provided by well-trained personnel in well-equipped facilities which are located in close proximity to those who may need to access such services is a challenge for many relevant States Parties. Training is also a challenge for many States Parties with respect to trauma surgeons, nurses and other specialists. In 2005, 13 relevant States Parties provided no information or reported that services to provide trauma care in close proximity to affected areas was chronically underdeveloped. By Second Review Conference, 2 relevant States Parties had reported that comprehensive trauma care services, in well-equipped facilities, are located in close proximity to affected areas, 12 reported that some level of services is available but there are gaps in services, and 8 reported that there is an infrastructure to provide services, but it is experiencing serious disruption and/or shortages or is otherwise weak. Only 4 States Parties report no change/improvement in services or no capacity. Training of trauma surgeons and nurses in district hospitals is available through programmes implemented by the World Health Organisation, the ICRC, and NGOs such as Emergency and TCF relevant States Parties. New guidance documents have been developed to assist States Parties in meeting the challenge of providing appropriate trauma care services.<sup>26</sup>

135. Many States Parties continue to face the ongoing challenge of ensuring that medical facilities can provide an adequate level of care with the staff, equipment, supplies and medicines necessary to meet basic standards. Moreover, some States Parties face problems related to the proximity of services to affected areas and difficulties in transporting to these facilities those who require care. In 2005, 14 relevant States Parties provided no information or reported that healthcare facilities in affected areas were chronically underdeveloped. By the Second Review Conference, 5 relevant States Parties report that healthcare facilities in affected areas have the staff, equipment, supplies and medicines necessary to meet basic standards, 12 report that healthcare facilities have staff, equipment, supplies and medicines but are limited by a lack of resources, and 6 report that healthcare facilities have some staff, equipment, supplies and medicines but are inadequate to meet basic needs. Only 3 relevant States Parties report no change/improvement or no capacity to provide an adequate level of healthcare.

136. Based on the information provided by relevant States Parties, at least 18 have achieved some degree of progress in improving their capacity to provide emergency and continuing medical care to meet the needs of landmine victims. Since the Nairobi Summit, some progress has been made in the training of trauma surgeons, nurses and those providing emergency first-aid, including lay people. Nevertheless, many relevant States Parties continue to report a lack of trained staff, medicines, equipment and infrastructure to adequately respond to landmine and other traumatic injuries. Moreover, while new guidelines have been developed to assist States Parties, a challenge remains in applying these guidelines. The challenge for States Parties in the period 2010-2014 will continue to be to: ensure that healthcare workers and lay people in affected areas are trained in emergency first-aid to respond effectively to landmine and other traumatic injuries; increase training opportunities for trauma surgeons, nurses and other specialists; ensure that women and girls have equal access to emergency and continuing medical care, including in sex-segregated areas, as appropriate; and to ensure that medical facilities in affected areas can

<sup>26</sup> See for example the WHO's programme for **Integrated Management on Emergency Essential Surgical Care - E-learning tool kit**, 2007, the WHO's **Guidelines for Essential Trauma Care**; WHO's **Essential Trauma Care Project: Checklists for Surveys of Trauma Care Capabilities**; WHO's **Prehospital Trauma Care Systems**; ICRC's **First Aid in armed conflicts and other situations of violence**; ICRC's **Hospitals for war-wounded: a practical guide for setting up and running a surgical hospital in an area of armed conflict**; and IFRC's **Improving Health Care in the Community**.

provide an adequate level of care with the staff, equipment, supplies and medicines necessary to meet basic standards.

### **Physical rehabilitation**

137. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed that relevant States Parties would “increase national physical rehabilitation capacity to ensure effective provision of physical rehabilitation services (...)” and it was recognised that physical rehabilitation and prosthetic/orthotic services are preconditions to the full recovery and reintegration of landmine survivors and to promote the physical well-being of persons with limb loss, abdominal, chest and spinal injuries, and sight or hearing impairment.<sup>27</sup> Since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties have come to better understand the need to expand access and ensure the sustainability of national physical rehabilitation capacities. In 2005, in 5 relevant States Parties no information was available on services or physical rehabilitation services for persons with disabilities were reported to be underdeveloped and the needs were not being met. By the Second Review Conference, no relevant State Party had reported that comprehensive physical rehabilitation services, including prosthetic production and repairs, with well-trained personnel in well-equipped facilities, are available and accessible to persons with disabilities, including mine survivors, 20 reported that comprehensive services are available but there are gaps in services and service accessibility and 3 report that there is a physical rehabilitation infrastructure, but it is experiencing serious disruption and/or shortages or is otherwise weak. In one relevant State Party physical rehabilitation services for persons with disabilities continues to be underdeveloped.

138. In 2004, a profound challenge that many relevant States Parties faced was the need to increase numbers of trained rehabilitation specialists including doctors, nurses, physiotherapists and orthopaedic technicians. In 2005, in 7 relevant States Parties, there was no known training for rehabilitation specialists in the country. By Second Review Conference, 7 relevant States Parties report that appropriate training for rehabilitation specialists is available, 9 report that training is available but its effectiveness is limited by a lack of resources, and 8 report that training is available but is inadequate to meet the needs. In 2 relevant States Parties there is no reported training for rehabilitation specialists. Such training of physical rehabilitation specialists, including prosthetic and orthotic technicians and physiotherapists, is available through programmes implemented by the ICRC, and NGOs such as HI and TCF in relevant States Parties.

139. The States Parties recognise the need to engage all relevant ministries as well as national, regional and international health and rehabilitation organisations in the development of plans for the rehabilitation sector to ensure long-term sustainability and effective coordination in advancing the quality of care and increasing the numbers of individuals assisted through physical rehabilitation programmes. In 2005, in 22 relevant States Parties there was no known multi-sector rehabilitation plan. By 2009, 2 reported that a multi-sector rehabilitation plan has been developed and implemented, in collaboration with all relevant stakeholders, including persons with disabilities, 7 reported that a plan has been developed but implementation is being limited by a lack of resources, and 3 reported that a multi-sector rehabilitation plan is planned and/or under development. In 14 relevant States Parties there continues to be no reported multi-sector rehabilitation plan.

140. The States Parties have come to better understand the challenges persons with disabilities, including landmine survivors face in accessing physical rehabilitation services, particularly due to the location and cost of accessing available services. The States Parties

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<sup>27</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, action #30.

recognise that it may be necessary to ensure that survivors have access to transportation to services or that services are available in closer proximity to those needing them, for example through mobile prosthetic clinics. In 2005, in 15 relevant States Parties there were no reported programmes or policies to ensure that geography, cost, age, gender or social status did not present barriers to landmine survivors in accessing physical rehabilitation services. By Second Review Conference, 4 relevant States Parties had reported that programmes and/or policies are in place to ensure that geography, cost, age, gender or social status do not present barriers to landmine survivors in accessing physical rehabilitation services, 10 reported programmes/policies have been developed but their effectiveness is limited by a lack of resources, and none reported that programmes/policies have been developed but have not been implemented. In 10 relevant States Parties there continues to be no reported programmes or policies to improve accessibility.

141. Based on the information provided by relevant States Parties, at least 16 have achieved some degree of progress in improving their capacity to provide services for the physical rehabilitation of landmine survivors. Since the Nairobi Summit, progress has been made in the development of new guidelines, in the training of technical staff in prosthetics/orthotics in affected countries and the production of assistive devices.<sup>28</sup> Nevertheless, the needs in this area continue to exceed the level of resources applied to the provision of services. The major challenges for many States Parties during the period 2010-2014 will continue to be to: increase numbers of trained rehabilitation specialists including doctors, nurses, physiotherapists and orthopaedic technicians; increase training opportunities for rehabilitation specialists including doctors, nurses, physiotherapists and orthopaedic technicians; improve access to rehabilitation services for survivors living in remote areas; ensure that women and girls have equal access to physical rehabilitation services, including in sex-segregated areas, as appropriate; and to increase national resources to ensure the long-term sustainability and quality of physical rehabilitation programmes.

#### **Psychological support and social reintegration / inclusion**

142. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed that relevant States Parties would “develop capacities to meet the psychological and social support needs of mine victims, (...)”<sup>29</sup> The States Parties continue to understand psychological support and social reintegration/inclusion as being activities that assist mine survivors, and the families of those killed and injured, to overcome the psychological trauma of a landmine explosion and promote social well-being. Appropriate psychological and social support has the potential to make a significant difference in the lives of mine victims. The States Parties have come to understand that psychological support, including peer support, is necessary in the immediate aftermath of the accident and may be needed at different times throughout the lifetime of the survivor.

143. In 2004, a profound challenge that many relevant States Parties faced was the need to increase national and local capacities to provide services. In 2005, in 9 relevant States Parties there were no known psychological and social support services. By the Second Review Conference, one relevant State Party had reported that psychological and social support services, with well-trained personnel in well-equipped facilities, are available and

<sup>28</sup> See for example *Prosthetics and Orthotics Project Guide: Supporting P&O Services in Low Income Settings*; and *Prosthetics and Orthotics Programme Guide: Implementing P&O Services in Low-Income Settings*; and WHO’s *Guidelines on the provision of Manual Wheelchairs in less resourced settings*.

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accessible to mine victims, 11 reported that services are available and accessible but are limited by a lack of resources, and 12 reported an infrastructure services but it is experiencing serious disruption and/or shortages or is otherwise weak. Two relevant States Parties did not report on psychological and social support services.

144. In 2005, in 26 relevant States Parties there were no known culturally appropriate guidelines on good practice in the provision of psychological and social support. By the Second Review Conference, one relevant State Party had reported that culturally appropriate guidelines on good practice in the provision of psychological and social support have been developed and implemented, and 2 reported that guidelines have been developed but implementation is limited by a lack of resources. In 23 relevant States Parties there continues to be no known culturally appropriate guidelines.

145. In 2005, in 16 relevant States Parties there were no known training for psychiatrists, psychologists and/or social workers in the country. By the Second Review Conference, 5 relevant States Parties had reported that appropriate training for psychiatrists, psychologists and/or social workers is available, 2 report that training is available but its effectiveness is limited by a lack of resources, and 15 report that training is available but is inadequate to meet the needs. In 4 relevant States Parties there continues to be no known training available in the country.

146. The States Parties have come to understand that efforts to provide psychological and social support should take full advantage of the fact that mine victims themselves are resources who can act as constructive partners in programmes. In 2005, in 15 relevant States Parties there were no known peer support programmes. By 2009, 3 relevant States Parties report peer support programmes that are available and accessible to mine victims and other persons with disabilities, 6 report that programmes are available but are limited by a lack of resources, and 10 report that programmes have been developed but are experiencing serious disruption and/or shortages or are otherwise weak. In 6 relevant States Parties there continues to be no known peer support programmes.

147. In 2005, in 19 relevant States Parties there was no known inclusive education plan for children with disabilities, including mine survivors. By the Second Review Conference, no relevant State Party had reported that an inclusive education plan for children with disabilities has been developed and implemented, in 12 a plan has been developed but implementation is limited by a lack of resources, and in 6 a plan is planned and/or under development. In 8 relevant States Parties there continues to be no known inclusive education plan for children with disabilities.

148. In 2005, in 24 relevant States Parties there were no reported programmes or policies to ensure that geography, cost, age, gender or social status did not present barriers to landmine victims in accessing psychological support and social reintegration services. By the Second Review Conference, no relevant State Party had reported that programmes and/or policies are in place to ensure that geography, cost, age, gender or social status do not present barriers to landmine victims in accessing services, and 6 report programmes/policies have been developed but their effectiveness is limited by a lack of resources. In 18 relevant States Parties there continues to be no reported programmes or policies to improve accessibility.

149. Based on the information provided by relevant States Parties, at least 25 have achieved some degree of progress in improving their capacity to provide services for the psychological support and social reintegration to address the rights and needs of landmine survivors and the families of those killed or injured. Since the Nairobi Summit, progress has been made in the development of new guidelines, in the training of technical staff in

psychological support and social reintegration/inclusion in affected countries.<sup>30</sup> Nevertheless, this is an area that has not received the attention or resources necessary to adequately address the needs of mine victims. The challenge for States Parties during the period 2010 to 2014 will continue to be to: increase national and local capacities to provide psychological and social support services; increase access to psychological and social support services; increase opportunities for training of psychologists, social workers, peer support workers, and teachers; ensure that women and girls have equal access to psychological and social support services, including in sex-segregated areas, as appropriate; and, increase opportunities for children with disabilities to access education.

### **Economic reintegration**

150. In the *Nairobi Action Plan* it was agreed that relevant States Parties would “actively support the socio-economic reintegration of mine victims, including providing education and vocational training and developing sustainable economic activities and employment opportunities in mine-affected communities, integrating such efforts in the broader context of economic development, and striving to ensure significant increases of economically reintegrated mine victims.”<sup>31</sup> The States Parties continue to see economic reintegration/inclusion as being assistance programmes that improve the economic status of mine survivors, and the families of those killed or injured, in affected communities through education, economic development of the community infrastructure and the creation of employment opportunities. For many survivors and their families, economic empowerment continues to be their highest priority.

151. In 2005, in 10 relevant States Parties there were no reported programmes and services to promote the economic reintegration of mine survivors and/or their families or programmes and services were chronically underdeveloped. By the Second Review Conference, no relevant State Party had reported that landmine survivors and other persons with disabilities and/or their families have access to comprehensive programmes, training, micro-finance schemes and other activities that promote the economic development of their communities, in 10 there are some programmes and services but there are gaps in services, and in 13 there are programmes and services, but these are experiencing serious disruption and/or lack of resources. In 2 relevant States Parties there are no reported programmes and services.

152. In 2005, in 20 relevant States Parties there were no reported programmes or policies to ensure that geography, cost, age, gender or social status did not present barriers to landmine survivors or the families of those killed or injured in accessing economic reintegration programmes. By the Second Review Conference, no relevant State Party had reported that programmes and/or policies are in place to ensure that geography, cost, age, gender or social status do not present barriers to landmine survivors in accessing services, 9 report programmes/policies have been developed but their effectiveness is limited by a lack of resources, and one reports that programmes/policies have been developed but have not been implemented. In 15 relevant States Parties there continues to be no reported programmes or policies to improve accessibility.

<sup>30</sup> See for example the IFRC’s **Psychological Support: Best Practices from Red Cross and Red Crescent Programmes**; the IFRC’s **Community-Based Psychological Support Training Manual**; and Handicap International’s **Fun inclusive! Sports and games as means of rehabilitation, integration and integration for children and young people with disabilities**.

<sup>31</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, action #32

153. Based on the information provided by relevant States Parties, at least 15 have achieved some degree of progress in improving their capacity to provide services for the economic reintegration of landmine survivors and the families of those killed or injured. Since the Nairobi Summit progress has been made in developing new guidelines and in implementing programmes in some affected communities.<sup>32</sup> However, in many relevant States Parties there continues to be few opportunities for mine victims to receive vocational training or to access employment and other income generation activities. The States Parties acknowledge that the economic status of mine victims depends largely upon the political stability and economic situation of the communities in which they live. The States Parties have also come to recognise that enhancing opportunities for the economic reintegration of mine victims not only contributes to their self-reliance and psychosocial well-being but can in turn contribute to community development. The challenge for many States Parties during the period 2010 to 2014 will continue to be to: increase income generation and employment opportunities for mine victims in affected areas; ensure that women and girls have equal access to income generation and employment opportunities; and, ensure that development programmes are inclusive of and accessible to mine victims and other persons with disabilities.

#### **Laws and public policies**

154. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed that relevant States Parties would “ensure that national legal and policy frameworks effectively address the needs and fundamental human rights of mine victims (...) and assuring effective rehabilitation and socioeconomic reintegration services for all persons with disabilities.”<sup>33</sup> The States Parties continue to understand laws and policies as being legislation and actions that promote the rights, accessibility, effective treatment, care, protection and non-discrimination for all citizens with disability, including landmine survivors.<sup>34</sup>

155. In 2005, in 6 relevant States Parties there were no known disability laws or policies. By the Second Review Conference, 2 relevant States Parties had reported that national legal and policy frameworks are effectively addressing the needs and fundamental human rights of mine victims and other persons with disabilities, in 18 laws and/or policies exist but are not being fully implemented and/or their effectiveness or comprehensiveness is inadequate, and in 4 laws and/or policies are planned and/or being developed. In only one relevant State Party there continues to be no reported disability laws or policies.

156. In 2005, in 19 relevant States Parties there was no known policy on accessibility to the built environment. By the Second Review Conference, one relevant State Party had reported that a policy on accessibility to the built environment has been developed and implemented, and 11 report that a policy has been developed but it is not fully implemented. In 14 relevant States Parties there continues to be no reported policy on accessibility.

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<sup>32</sup> See for example the ILO’s **Skills development through community based rehabilitation: A good practice guide**; the ILO’s **The right to decent work of persons with disabilities**; ILO’s **Job and work analysis: Guidelines on identifying jobs for persons with disabilities**; ILO’s **Achieving Equal Employment Opportunities for People with Disabilities Through Legislation: Guidelines**; and Handicap International’s **Good Practices for the Socio-Economic Inclusion of People with Disabilities in Developing Countries: Funding Mechanisms for Self-Employment**.

<sup>33</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, action #33

<sup>34</sup> See for example the UN and IPU’s **From Exclusion to Equality: Realizing the rights of persons with disabilities**; and Handicap International’s **Introduction to accessibility: Creating an accessible environment, towards an inclusive society**.

157. Based on the information provided by relevant States Parties, at least 21 have achieved some degree of progress in improving legislative and policy frameworks to address the rights and needs of persons with disabilities, including landmine survivors. The challenge for many States Parties during the period 2010 to 2014 will continue to be to: further develop and implement plans to address the rights and needs of landmine victims and other persons with disabilities; fully implement the provisions of the legislation; provide pensions that are adequate to maintain a reasonable standard of living; and, improve accessibility to public and private infrastructure, and to services for people living in remote areas.

#### **Other**

158. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed to “ensure effective integration of mine victims in the work of the Convention, inter alia, by encouraging States Parties and organisations to include victims on their delegations.”<sup>35</sup> The States Parties continue to recognise the importance and the benefits of the inclusion of landmine survivors and other experts with disability in a substantive way in the work of the Convention at the international level including in Meetings of the States Parties and in the Intersessional Work Programme, but particularly within the home countries of landmine survivors where decisions affecting their wellbeing ultimately are taken. Since the Nairobi Summit, survivors and other experts with disability have participated actively in national workshops to develop plans of action, in regional workshops, and in Meetings of the States Parties and in the Intersessional Work Programme. At least six States Parties – Afghanistan, Australia, Croatia, Guinea-Bissau, Jordan and Sudan – have included survivors on their delegations to international meetings.

159. Since the Nairobi Summit, the involvement of relevant victim assistance experts in the work of the Convention has increased further due to the commitment made at the Nairobi Summit to “ensure an effective contribution in all relevant deliberations by health, rehabilitation and social services professionals.”<sup>36</sup> At the June 2005 meetings of the Standing Committee, 5 relevant States Parties included a victim assistance expert in their delegation. At the Cartagena summit, experts were on the delegations of 19 relevant States Parties.

160. A challenge for the States Parties during the period 2010 to 2014 will be to ensure that efforts to ensure the substantive participation of survivors and other experts does not subside but rather is enhanced.

161. In May 2009, the Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Victim Assistance and Economic Reintegration (Belgium and Thailand) convened a victim assistance retreat to bring together victim assistance experts representing States Parties, international agencies, the ICRC, the IFRC, and the ICBL and other non-governmental organisations. Experts included survivors, doctors, disability and human rights experts, representatives of relevant ministries and agencies in affected States Parties, development agencies, and service providers. The retreat was possibly the first time that a fully inclusive and representative group of actors have come together to do some “big picture” thinking on victim assistance. Discussions at the retreat and subsequent parallel programme for victim assistance experts at the May intersessional meetings provided a solid foundation to develop sound strategies for the period 2010 to 2104, based on the lessons learned and priorities identified since the First Review Conference. The Nairobi Action Plan facilitated the development of a

<sup>35</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, action #38

<sup>36</sup> *Ibid.*, action #39

strategic framework to enhance victim assistance efforts in the period 2005-2009. To ensure these efforts continue, the Co-Chairs have developed specific recommendations on national implementation of the Cartagena Action Plan to promote progress in achieving the victim assistance aims in the period 2010 to 2014. The recommendations include specific actions that relevant States Parties and other stakeholders may wish to undertake to facilitate measurable progress in each of the victim assistance-related actions within the Cartagena Action Plan. The recommendations are based on discussions at the retreat and parallel programme and other input from service providers.<sup>37</sup>

162. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed to “monitor and promote progress in the achievement of victim assistance goals in the 2005-2009 period, affording concerned States Parties the opportunity to present their problems, plans, progress and priorities for assistance.”<sup>38</sup> At the June 2005 standing committee meetings, 18 relevant States Parties provided an update on their victim assistance efforts, 16 relevant States Parties provided an update at the May 2006 meetings, 19 relevant States Parties at the April 2007 meetings, 18 at the June 2008 standing committee meetings, and 19 in May 2009. At the Sixth Meeting of the States Parties, 18 relevant States Parties provided an update, increasing to 23 relevant States Parties at the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties in September 2006, 22 at the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties in November 2007, and 21 at the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties in November 2008. At the Cartagena Summit, 19 relevant States Parties provided an update.

163. Since the Nairobi Summit, the systematic way in which relevant States Parties have articulated objectives and developed national action plans have provided a basis for more meaningful monitoring of the fulfilment of this aim of the Convention. NGO monitoring now has the potential to be more precise, measuring against clear benchmarks rather than unattainable ideals.<sup>39</sup> In addition, a 2009 report prepared by HI concluded that since 2005 there had been no measurable change in the quality of daily life for the majority of landmine survivors surveyed and called on the States Parties in a position to assist to “increase, or at least maintain, their financial and technical support, and enhance its effectiveness” and on affected States to “increase their ownership, implement measurable actions and include survivors and other persons with disabilities in the activities.”<sup>40</sup>

164. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties concluded that “success and lessons learned from the work to implement the Convention have helped inspire further efforts at the international level to protect and promote the rights of persons with disabilities.” In 2004 this was certainly the case with respect to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD). In May 2008, the CRPD entered into force: 119 States Parties to the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention have signed the CRPD, including 17 of the 26 States Parties that have reported a responsibility for significant numbers of landmine survivors. By the Second Review Conference, a total of 62 States Parties to the AP Mine Ban Convention had become parties to the CRPD, including the following 10 of the 26 States Parties reporting responsibility for significant numbers of

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<sup>37</sup> See “Assisting the Victims: Recommendations on Implementing the Cartagena Action Plan 2010-2014”.

<sup>38</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, action #37.

<sup>39</sup> Civil society publications available since the Nairobi Summit which focus on monitoring aspects of the victim assistance issue include: **National Legal Frameworks Relating to Persons with Disabilities in Heavily Mine-Affected Countries; Victim Assistance in 2004: Overview of the Situation in 24 States Parties; Landmine Victim Assistance in 2005: Overview of the Situation in 24 States Parties;** and, **Landmine Victim Assistance in 2006: Overview of the Situation in 24 States Parties.**

<sup>40</sup> Handicap International, **Voices from the Ground**, September 2009, pp. 237-238.

mine survivors: Croatia, El Salvador, Jordan, Nicaragua, Peru, Serbia, Sudan, Thailand, Uganda and Yemen.

165. The States Parties have come to recognise that new developments and understandings, such as the comprehensive manner in which the CRPD records what is required to promote the full and effective participation and inclusion of mine survivors in the social, cultural, economic and political life of their communities, provide a standard by which to measure victim assistance efforts. The CRPD may provide guidance to all States Parties in meeting their responsibilities to persons with disabilities, including mine survivors, and their families. The CRPD can provide the States Parties with a more systematic, sustainable, gender sensitive and human rights based approach by bringing victim assistance into the broader context of policy and planning for persons with disabilities more generally. The CRPD has linkages to the six components of victim assistance, particularly through the promotion of: health, including emergency and continuing medical care; personal mobility, including physical rehabilitation and assistive devices; psychological support; education, including primary to tertiary education, vocational training, adult education and lifelong learning; work and employment; adequate standard of living and social protection; participation in cultural life, recreation, leisure and sport; inclusion; accessibility; inclusive development; awareness raising; statistics and data collection; and, legislation, policies and planning.

166. In May 2005, the 58th World Health Assembly approved Resolution A58/23 on “Disability, including prevention, management and rehabilitation”. In response to this resolution, the WHO established the Disability and Rehabilitation Team (DAR) within the Department of Injuries and Violence Prevention to enhance the quality of life for persons with disabilities through national, regional and global efforts. The WHO Disability and Rehabilitation Action Plan 2006-2011 outlines the key activities of the DAR, including: the production of a world report on disability and rehabilitation; advocacy to raise awareness about the magnitude and consequences of disability; data collection on disability-related issues; support to national, regional and global efforts to promote health and rehabilitation services for persons with disabilities, including mine survivors, and their families; promoting community-based rehabilitation; promoting the development, production, distribution and servicing of assistive devices/technologies; and, capacity building among health/rehabilitation policy makers and service providers. In 2010, the World Report on Disability and Rehabilitation will be released. The report aims to provide governments and civil society with a comprehensive description of the importance of disability, rehabilitation and inclusion, an analysis of information collected and recommendations for action at the national and international level based on the best available scientific evidence. The States Parties recognise that the recommendations contained in the forthcoming World Report may provide additional guidance to meet their obligations under the Convention to address the rights and needs of landmine victims.

167. The Convention’s work on victim assistance has also inspired the inclusion of commitments to assist victims of specific weapons in other international humanitarian law instruments. The victim assistance provision in the Convention and the understandings adopted at the Nairobi Summit provided the basis for a comprehensive legal obligation to provide assistance to the victims in the Convention on Cluster Munitions. The Convention, not to mention relevant States Parties to it, also inspired the adoption in 2008 of an action plan for victim assistance in the context of the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons’ (CCW) Protocol V on explosive remnants of war. The States Parties have come to recognise that the framework developed for victim assistance in the context of this Convention is equally applicable to addressing the rights and needs of victims of other explosive remnants of war, including unexploded cluster submunitions, and that the approaches taken by relevant instruments of international humanitarian law are congruent. Given this coherence, the States Parties have come to understand that appropriate steps

should be taken to foster synergies when implementing all relevant instruments in relation to victim assistance.

168. In June 2009, the ICRC and Norwegian Red Cross convened a victim assistance workshop with the aim of consolidating views on the experience of pursuing victim assistance in the context of the AP Mine Ban Convention, to identify priorities for the next stage of implementation beyond the Second Review Conference, to inform related victim assistance efforts in the context of other disarmament conventions, and to reinforce linkages with on-going efforts in the area of disability. The outcomes of the workshop included an appeal to the Second Review Conference and recommendations for enhancing victim assistance efforts and promoting coherence with other relevant instruments of international humanitarian and human rights law.

#### V. *Cooperation and assistance*

169. The States Parties have come to recognise that strong national ownership is essential for ensuring that cooperation can flourish. Mine-affected States Parties themselves have remarked that national ownership in the clearance of anti-personnel mines and other explosive hazards implies, *inter alia*, the following five components: (i) high level interest and leadership in fulfilling mine clearance obligations, (ii) a national authority empowered and provided with the human, financial and material capacity to carry out its responsibilities, (iii) a clear understanding of the size, location and quality of the Article 5 implementation challenge or a commitment to promptly acquire such an understanding, (iv) a realistic but not unambitious plan to complete implementation of Article 5 as soon as possible and, (v) a regular significant national financial commitment to the State's own humanitarian demining programme. It has been noted that, while the existence of these components will not guarantee that resources will flow in response to needs, demonstrating national ownership makes it significantly more likely that cooperation will flourish between those with needs and those in a position to provide assistance.

170. Of the 40 States Parties that are in the process of implementing the Convention's Article 5 mine clearance obligations, 33 have indicated at meetings of the Standing Committees or Meetings of the States Parties that, in accordance with Article 5, paragraph 1, they are seeking or have sought assistance from other States Parties. (See Appendix VIII, Table 1). Since the First Review Conference, many States Parties in a position to do so have demonstrated that they have been fulfilling their obligation to provide assistance by highlighting their aggregate contributions to mine action. Indeed, the annual totals of mine action funding have increased since the period prior to the Nairobi Summit. It is possible to account for almost US\$ 2.0 billion having been generated over the past five years for matters consistent with the aims of the Convention. (See appendix VIII, Table 2.) However, a dilemma identified in recent years is that the great deal of support generated in general terms for mine action is not addressing the specific needs of some particular States Parties that require assistance in implementing Article 5 of the Convention. Matching resources with needs in a more effective manner will be a challenge for States Parties following the Second Review Conference.

171. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties noted that the Convention makes it clear that assistance may be provided through a variety of means, including, *inter alia*, the United Nations system, international, regional or national organisations or institutions, the International Committee of the Red Cross, national Red Cross and Red Crescent societies and their international federation, non-governmental organisations, or on a bilateral basis, or by contributing to the United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund for Assistance in Mine Action (UNVTF), or other regional funds. The United Nations system has continued to play a leading role in assisting States Parties. The UN envisages a world free of anti-personnel mines and supports the Convention as the best means to achieve this goal. It has actively

assisted States Parties accordingly, providing support to 51 States Parties in fulfilling their obligations since the Nairobi Summit. States Parties have expressed appreciation for this support.

172. Since the Nairobi Summit, annual expenditures from the UNVTF have steadily increased from approximately US\$ 46.5 million in 2004 to over US\$ 109 in 2008. Nineteen (19) States Parties that were or continue to be in the process of implementing Article 5 of the Convention have benefited from funds that have flowed through the UNVTF. (See appendix VIII, Table 3.) Since the Nairobi Summit, expenditures from the UNDP's Crisis Prevention and Recovery Trust Fund have exceeded US\$ 112 million between 2004 and 2008. Since 2004, 22 States Parties have benefited from expenditures from this fund. (See appendix VIII, Table 4.) In addition, since the Nairobi Summit UNICEF's support to mine action has been valued at nearly US\$ 10 million annually with assistance having been provided to 19 States Parties.

173. Since the Nairobi Summit, UN Peacekeeping Assessed Funds have become a significant source of funding for mine action. Moreover, a number of UN Peacekeeping troop contributing countries that have assisted in clearance operations are States Parties to the Convention and a number of States Parties with obligations under Article 5 of the Convention have benefited from this support." This is a positive indication that the matter of mine action is now understood as a necessary humanitarian activity in most post-conflict situations, in addition to its relevance to conflict prevention, peacemaking, peacekeeping and peace enforcement activities. Between 2004 and 2008, over US\$ 113 million of UN Peacekeeping Assessed Funds have been applied to mine action. Five States Parties – Burundi, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia and Sudan – have benefited, with over US\$ 70 million of these funds being directed to Sudan alone. While the magnitude of funding suggests that impressive progress is being made, little of this progress is being reported formally or informally by these States Parties. A challenge therefore will be to ensure a sound connection between UN Peacekeeping and national efforts to carry out demining and mine action information management on the part of relevant States Parties taking into account the full spectrum of activities undertaken that are consistent with Article 5 implementation.

174. While global "mine action" funding has remained relatively constant and has been impressive, a small number of States Parties are the beneficiaries of the vast majority of funds generated. For example, two States Parties, Afghanistan and Sudan, which no doubt have needs that are great and require sizeable ongoing funding, account for approximately 70 percent of the funds that have flowed through the UN Voluntary Trust Fund for Assistance in Mine Action between 2004 and 2008. In addition to Afghanistan and Sudan, 17 other States Parties in the process of implementing Article 5 that require outside assistance have been recipients of funds that have flowed from this major funding channel. (See Appendix VIII, Table 3.) In addition, while in 2004 it was agreed that it was a "challenge for States Parties in a position to do so (...) to ensure that necessary support for some of the first mine-affected States to have joined the Convention does not disappear before Article 5 has been fully implemented," some States Parties close to completion in implementing Article 5 have found themselves falling short of acquiring relatively small amounts of funds necessary to complete the task.

175. At the Nairobi Summit the States Parties recorded that a "challenge for both traditional and non-traditional States Parties in a position to do so will be to ensure a renewed commitment to assist others during the period 2005-2009, through means such as dedicated funds to assist in the implementation of the Convention and by mainstreaming support to mine action through broader humanitarian, development, peace-building and peace support programmes." While this understanding explicitly emphasised the importance of "dedicated funds to assist in the implementation of the Convention", concern

has been expressed about the closure or expiry of some of such dedicated funds. The value of such funding mechanisms has regularly been highlighted particularly given that not all aspects of implementation are linked to development and consequently that not all demining activities can be funded through generalised development budgets.

176. Since the Nairobi Summit, a number of States Parties working in partnership with organisations such as the UNDP and the GICHD have pursued efforts to link mine action and development. This has included promoting the integration of mine action into development assistance programmes, which has occurred in Australia, Canada and Switzerland. In addition, through funding provided by Canada, guidelines have been developed to increase awareness of how anti-personnel mines and other explosive remnants of war block development, strengthen coordination between mine action and development organisations, ensure mine action planning and implementation promotes development and poverty reduction efforts, ensure mine action is aligned with development plans, programmes and budgets, encourage development actors to assist mine-affected communities and integrate mine action in their development programming and assist bilateral and multilateral donors to integrate mine action in their development programming.

177. While good efforts have been undertaken to link mine action and development, it has been noted that among the original reasons put forward by States Parties promoting such a linkage was that it would secure funding for Convention implementation over the long term by placing mine action within a greater budget from which funds could be obtained on a stable and ongoing basis. Concern has been expressed that the focus of discussions on linking mine action and development has shifted from guaranteeing secure and stable funds to a discussion primarily on the complementarities between mine action and development programmes. More effort is required to ensure participation by more development actors at the formal and informal meetings of the Convention. In addition, an effort should be made to assess the degree to which the work to link mine action and development has contributed to secure funding for Convention implementation.

178. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties agreed to “act upon their obligation under Article 6 (3) to promptly assist those States Parties with clearly demonstrated needs for external support for the care, rehabilitation and reintegration of mine victims, responding to priorities for assistance as articulated by those States Parties in need and ensuring continuity and sustainability of resource commitments.”<sup>41</sup> Evidence of States Parties acting on this commitment can be found in the form of the more than US\$ 232 million that has been reported since 2004 in support of emergency medical care, physical rehabilitation and other assistance carried out by international service providers such as the ICRC, Handicap International, other non-governmental organisations and relevant UN agencies (See Appendix VIII, Table 6). The States Parties have commended these organisations for their efforts, particularly as it relates to building national capacities to improve service provision. However, it is of concern to the States Parties that, despite the significant amount of funding invested in victim assistance-related efforts, for many survivors, according to Handicap International, there has been no improvement in the quality of their daily lives since the Nairobi Summit.

179. While it is commendable that such a sizable amount of financial support has been directed to specialised international providers of victim assistance-related activities, national efforts are often under-funded. The States Parties continue to recognise the importance of building and sustaining State capacities to address the rights and needs of

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<sup>41</sup> Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines: Nairobi Action Plan 2005-2009, APLC/CONF/2004/5, Part III, action #36.

landmine victims. The challenge for the States Parties in the period 2010-2014 will be to ensure that those in a position to provide assistance support national efforts in the areas that are priorities for States Parties with a responsibility for significant number of landmine survivors and that victim assistance is on the agenda in bilateral development cooperation discussions between relevant States Parties.

180. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed that “the States Parties that have reported mined areas under their jurisdiction or control and those with the greatest numbers of mine victims will ensure that clearing mined areas and assisting victims are identified as priorities, wherever this is relevant, in national, sub-national and sector development plans and programmes, Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers (PRSPs), UN Development Assistance Frameworks, and other appropriate mechanisms (...)” It is now possible to account for the following 15 States Parties in the process of implementing Article 5 and / or responsible for significant numbers of mine survivors that have specifically mentioned mine action and / or action on disability issues as parts of their strategy to reduce poverty: Afghanistan, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, Cambodia, Chad, Guinea Bissau, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Serbia, Tajikistan, Uganda, Yemen and Zambia.

181. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed that “all States Parties will use, where relevant, their participation in decision making bodies of relevant organizations to urge the UN and regional organizations and the World Bank and regional development banks and financial institutions to support States Parties requiring assistance in fulfilling the Convention’s obligations, inter alia by calling for the integration of mine action into the UN Consolidated Appeals Process (...)”<sup>42</sup> Since the Nairobi Summit, mine action has been incorporated in Consolidated Appeals Processes for Afghanistan (2009), Angola (2004), Burundi (2005, 2006 and 2007), Chad (2005 and 2008), the Democratic Republic of the Congo (2004 and 2005), Eritrea (2004 and 2005), Iraq and its region (2009), Sudan (2004, 2006 and 2009), Tajikistan (2004) and Uganda (2005, 2006, 2007 and 2009).

182. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed that “States Parties in a position to do so will act upon their obligations under Article 6 (5) to promptly assist States Parties with clearly demonstrated needs for external support for stockpile destruction, responding to priorities for assistance as articulated by those States Parties in need.” Since the Nairobi Summit, Belarus and Ukraine have continued to express that they require assistance in destroying stockpiled anti-personnel mines and a few other States Parties have benefited from assistance in completing their destruction programmes. The European Commission has continued to offer assistance to both. In addition, since the Nairobi Summit the UN supported stockpile destruction programmes. In an effort to promote the provision of assistance for stockpile destruction when assistance is necessary, the States Parties have highlighted that provision of support for mine action in the context of fulfilling Convention obligations, including the obligation to destroy stockpiled mines, is considered Official Development Assistance by the Organisation for Economic Development and Cooperation’s Development Cooperation Directorate.

183. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed that “States Parties in a position to do so will continue to support, as appropriate, mine action to assist affected populations in areas under the control of armed non-state actors, particularly in areas under the control of actors which have agreed to abide by the Convention’s norms.”<sup>43</sup> Since the Nairobi Summit, it was reported that assistance efforts led to the destruction of stockpiled mines by nine armed non-State actors that are signatories to the Geneva Call’s Deed of Commitment.

<sup>42</sup> Ibid. action #48.

<sup>43</sup> Ibid. action #46.

184. Since the Nairobi Summit, the Convention's cooperation and assistance provisions have continued to serve as the model for other instruments of international law, underscoring that partnership is essential to addressing the totality of the problems caused by explosive remnants of war.

*VI. Transparency*

185. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties recognised that transparency and the effective exchange of information, "through both formal and informal means," would be "equally crucial to fulfilling their obligations during the period 2005-2009." Since the Nairobi Summit, the exchange of information between States Parties has been vibrant, particularly on the part of States Parties in the process of implementing key provisions of the Convention which have made good use of Meetings of the States Parties and the Intersessional Work Programme to share information on their problems, plans, progress and priorities for assistance. New tools have been developed to assist in the formal and informal exchange of information. However, the rate of adherence to the Convention's reporting obligations has waned since the Nairobi Summit.

186. At the close of the Nairobi Summit, a total of 141 of the 144 States that had ratified or acceded to the Convention had been required to submit such initial transparency information in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 1 of the Convention. All had done so with the exception of the following 6 States Parties: Cape Verde, Equatorial Guinea, Gambia, Guyana, Saint Lucia, and Sao Tome and Principe. Since the Nairobi Summit, an additional 13 States have ratified or have acceded to the Convention and hence have been obliged to have provided initial transparency information: Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, the Cook Islands, Ethiopia, Haiti, Indonesia, Iraq, Kuwait, Latvia, Montenegro, Palau, Ukraine and Vanuatu. Each of these has provided an initial transparency report as required. In addition, of the 6 States Parties that had not provided an initial transparency report as required by the close of the Nairobi Summit, 5 have now done so: Cape Verde, Gambia, Guyana, Saint Lucia and Sao Tome and Principe.

187. At the Nairobi Summit it was recalled that each State Party must provide updated information to the Convention's depository annually, covering the last calendar year and reported not later than 30 April of each year. It was recorded that all but 24 States Parties obliged to provide such a report in 2004 had done so. In 2009, each State Party obliged to provide updated information did so with the exception of the following 55 States Parties: Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Central African Republic, Comoros, Cook Islands, Costa Rica, Djibouti, Dominica, Fiji, Gabon, Ghana, Grenada, Guinea, Guyana, Honduras, Iceland, Jamaica, Kenya, Kiribati, Lesotho, Liberia, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Maldives, Mali, Mauritius, Nauru, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Philippines, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Sao Tome and Principe, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Suriname, Swaziland, Timor-Leste, Togo, Turkmenistan, Uruguay and Vanuatu. At the Nairobi Summit it was recorded that the overall reporting rate exceeded 78 percent in 2004. In 2009, the overall reporting rate stands at just over 64 percent and at no time since the Nairobi Summit has it exceeded the level attained in 2004. (See Appendix IX.).

188. While it remains an obligation for all States Parties to provide updated information on implementation, as committed to in action #52 of the Nairobi Action Plan and as noted in Progress Reports of Meetings of the States Parties, this is particularly important for States Parties in the process of destroying stockpiled anti-personnel mines in accordance with Article 4, those that are in the process of clearing mined areas in accordance with Article 5, those that are retaining anti-personnel mines for purposes permitted by Article 3 and those undertaking measures in accordance with Article 9. The States Parties have noted

that several States Parties that are in the process of implementing Article 5, that have retained anti-personnel mines for permitted purposes and / or that have not yet reported having taken legal or other measures in accordance with Article 9 are not up to date in providing transparency information as required. (See Appendix IX for an overview of reports submitted in accordance with Article 7.)

189. Most types of information provided by States Parties in the context of fulfilling their Article 7 obligations have been referred to elsewhere in this review. Three areas not previously covered include information related to the conversion or decommissioning of anti-personnel mine production facilities, the technical characteristics of mines at one time produced or currently held by States Parties and mines retained or transferred for permitted purposes as described in Article 3.

190. At the Nairobi Summit, it was recorded that 22 States Parties had provided information on the conversion or decommissioning of anti-personnel mine production facilities. Since that time, the following information was provided by States Parties: Greece reported that, upon ratification, there were no production facilities in Greece. Iraq reported that the Al Qaqa Factory, which produced anti-personnel and anti-tank mines, was destroyed during the 2003 war and that there was no intention to reconstruct this facility. Turkey reported that no anti-personnel mine production facilities are available. In addition, Zimbabwe reported that decommissioning of an anti-personnel mine production facility had been completed in the 1980s – even before the establishment of the State of Zimbabwe.

191. At the Nairobi Summit, it was recorded that 66 States Parties had provided information on technical characteristics of anti-personnel mines produced or currently held, giving information as may facilitate identification and clearance of anti-personnel mines. Since that time, the following six (6) additional States Parties have provided such information, as required by Article 7, paragraph 1.h: Greece, Indonesia, Iraq, Latvia, Montenegro and Ukraine.

192. At the Nairobi Summit, it was recorded that 74 States Parties had reported, as required by Article 7, paragraph 1 d), anti-personnel mines retained for the development of and training in mine detection, mine clearance, or mine destruction techniques in accordance with Article 3. Since that time the following has transpired:

(a) The following 10 States Parties have reported for the first time that they now retain anti-personnel mines for permitted purposes: Benin, Bhutan, Burundi, Cape Verde, Ethiopia, Gambia, Indonesia, Iraq, Latvia and Ukraine.

(b) The following 8 States Parties that had previously reported that they had retained anti-personnel mines for permitted purposes now report that they do not retain any mines: El Salvador, Hungary, Lithuania, Nigeria, the Republic of Moldova, Suriname, Tajikistan and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

(c) An additional 9 States Parties have reported for the first time that they do not retain anti-personnel mines: Brunei Darussalam, the Cook Islands, Estonia, Guyana, Haiti, Kuwait, Palau, Sao Tome and Principe and Vanuatu.

(d) The following 4 States Parties have not yet declared whether they retain anti-personnel mines for permitted purposes: Botswana, Burkina Faso, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Equatorial Guinea.

193. There are now 76 States Parties that have reported that they retain anti-personnel mines for permitted purposes: Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Australia, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bhutan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Chile, Colombia, Congo, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Djibouti, Ecuador, Eritrea, Ethiopia, France, Gambia, Germany, Greece, Guinea Bissau, Honduras, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya,

Latvia, Luxembourg, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Namibia, the Netherlands, Nicaragua, Niger, Peru, Portugal, Romania, Rwanda, Senegal, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Tanzania, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, Uganda, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Yemen, Zambia and Zimbabwe. The number of anti-personnel mines reported retained by the States Parties is contained in Appendix X.

194. At the Nairobi Summit, it was agreed that “all States Parties will, in situations where States Parties have retained mines in accordance with the exceptions in Article 3, provide information on the plans requiring the retention of mines for the development of and training in mine detection, mine clearance or mine destruction techniques and report on the actual use of retained mines and the results of such use.”<sup>44</sup> Pursuant to this commitment, at the Sixth Meeting of the States Parties, the States Parties adopted amendments to Form D of the transparency reporting format to provide an opportunity to volunteer information in addition to what is minimally required on anti-personnel mines retained for reasons permitted under Article 3.

195. Successive Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention have taken an active interest in promoting the use of both the amended reporting format and meetings of the Standing Committee as vehicles to volunteer information on retained anti-personnel mines. Of the 76 States Parties that retain anti-personnel mines for permitted purposes, 38 have, since the Nairobi Summit, provided information on the permitted use of retained anti-personnel mines and / or the results of such use as follows:

(a) The following 34 States Parties have volunteered information on the use of retained anti-personnel mines for the training in mine detection, mine clearance or mine destruction techniques: Afghanistan, Argentina, Australia, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Cyprus, Denmark, France, Germany, Guinea Bissau, Honduras, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Latvia, Namibia, the Netherlands, Nicaragua, Rwanda, Serbia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Uganda, Yemen, Zambia and Zimbabwe. (See appendix X).

(b) The following 13 States Parties have volunteered information on the use of retained anti-personnel mines for the development of mine detection, mine clearance or mine destruction techniques: Argentina, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, France, Germany, Japan, the Netherlands, Serbia, Spain, Tanzania, Ukraine and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. (See appendix X).

196. Several States Parties have contributed to discussions on this matter to note that they consider that the minimum number of anti-personnel mines necessary to retain for permitted purposes is zero.

197. The States Parties have noted the value of those States Parties retaining anti-personnel mines regularly reviewing the number retained to ensure that it does “not exceed the minimum number absolutely necessary” for the development of and training in mine detection, mine clearance or mine destruction techniques. The States Parties have further noted that this may be particularly important for those States Parties that have retained anti-personnel mines for permitted purposes but have not consumed any of the mines that they have retained, thus implying that they are not active in or require mines for the development of and training in mine detection, mine clearance or mine destruction techniques. For instance, since 2007, the numbers of mines reported retained for permitted purposes by 11 States Parties – Bangladesh, Belarus, Burundi, Colombia, Cyprus, Eritrea,

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<sup>44</sup> *Ibid.*, action #54.

Greece, Mauritania, Nicaragua, Romania and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) – have been constant. The States Parties have noted that unchanging numbers of retained mines, particularly when there is no expression of intent to use them for permitted purposes, may be considered by some to undermine the obligation to destroy stockpiled anti-personnel mines.

198. Since the Nairobi Summit, 2 States Parties provided information, in accordance with Article 7, paragraph 1.c, on the transfer of anti-personnel mines in accordance with Article 3, paragraph 2, for destruction. On 29 April 2009, Bulgaria reported that between 21 March 2008 and 31 March 2009, Greece had transferred 171,050 anti-personnel mines to Bulgaria with the institutions authorised to transfer and receive the mines being, respectively, Hellenic Defence Systems SA and Videx JSC. On 30 April, Greece reported that as of 2 April 2009, Greece had transferred 107,510 anti-personnel mines to Bulgaria for destruction. In addition, some States Parties reported as “transfers” the movement within one’s own territory of anti-personnel mines for the purposes of development, training or destruction. At the May 2009 meeting of the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention the Co-Chairs remarked that “transfer” would normally mean the physical movement of anti-personnel mines into or from territory under one’s jurisdiction or control.

199. States Parties have acted on the commitment they made at the Nairobi Summit to “take full advantage of the flexibility of the Article 7 reporting process, including through the reporting format’s Form J to providing information on matters not specifically required but which may assist in the implementation process and in resource mobilisation, such as information on victim assistance efforts and needs.<sup>45</sup> Since the Nairobi Summit, the following 66 States Parties have made use of this voluntary means of reporting: Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, Cambodia, Canada, Chad, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Ecuador, Estonia, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Guatemala, Guinea Bissau, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Latvia, Lithuania, Malawi, Mauritania, Mozambique, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Niger, Norway, Palau, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Qatar, Rwanda, Senegal, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Tajikistan, Thailand, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, Yemen, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

200. The States Parties have noted the calls made by non-governmental organisations for additional information to be provided by relevant States Parties, including on matters concerning victim assistance, on assistance provided by those States Parties in a position to do so and on gender and diversity. The States Parties have also noted the need to ensure that the implied reporting responsibility does not become too burdensome.

201. Since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties continued to prepare, transmit and make available transparency information required by Article 7 of the Convention in accordance with the decisions taken at the First, Second and Fourth Meetings of the States Parties. In addition, as noted, at the Sixth and the Eighth Meetings of the States Parties, the States Parties took decisions to amend their reporting format, to volunteer information in addition to what is minimally required on anti-personnel mines retained for reasons permitted under Article 3 and to report, as required, on stockpiled anti-personnel mines discovered and destroyed after Article 4 deadlines have passed.

202. Article 7, paragraph 3 of the Convention requires the Secretary-General of the United Nations to transmit reports received in accordance with Article 7 to the States

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<sup>45</sup> Ibid., action #53.

Parties. Since the Nairobi Summit, the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA), Geneva Branch, has continued to receive reports on behalf of the Convention's depository and to make them available on the Internet in a timely fashion. Accessibility of reports was improved with the redesign of an Article 7 database in 2005. The States Parties have expressed appreciation for the efforts of the UNODA, Geneva Branch, and have sought to ensure that all States Parties are aware that this branch of the UNODA has been officially designated as the recipient of reports.

203. The Article 7 Contact Group, coordinated by Belgium, has continued to play a valuable role in promoting the fulfilment of Article 7 obligations. The ISU has supported these efforts, providing advisory services to assist States Parties in completing their reports and in promoting, particularly on the part of small States, the use of the short reporting format adopted at the Fourth Meeting of the States Parties. In addition, the ISU and the UNDP have collaborated in developing a guide to support UN personnel in mine-affected countries in assisting relevant States Parties with their reporting obligations. As well, the UNDP, UNICEF and UNMAS, through their country assistance programmes to mine-affected States Parties, have assisted a number of States Parties in preparing and submitting transparency reports.

204. Many States Parties have acted upon the commitment they made "to arrange on a voluntary basis regional and thematic conferences and workshops to advance the implementation of the Convention."<sup>46</sup> Actions have included a special effort in 2007 made by States Parties to mark the 18 September 2007 tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention and the 3 December 2007 tenth anniversary of the Convention's signing ceremony.

205. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties agreed to "exchange views and share experiences in a cooperative and informal manner on the practical implementation of the various provisions of the Convention, including Articles 1, 2 and 3, to continue to promote effective and consistent application of these provisions."<sup>47</sup> Some States Parties have given updates on relevant practices, for example, Croatia informed States Parties in May 2006 that it has removed the tilt rods from its TMRP-6 anti-vehicle mines, noting "This means that now all TMRP-6 mines in Croatia can be used exclusively as anti-vehicle mines which can only be detonated by pressure force of 250-300 kilos". The Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention have regularly provided a forum for States Parties and others to do so. With respect to matters concerning Article 2, the States Parties were reminded that the Convention defines an anti-personnel mine as any mine "designed to be exploded by the presence, proximity or contact of a person and that will incapacitate, injure or kill one or more persons."

206. The States Parties agreed at the Nairobi Summit to "encourage States not parties, particularly those that have professed support for the object and purpose of the Convention, to provide voluntary transparency reports (...)."<sup>48</sup> The results of efforts to act upon this commitment have been limited. Only two States not parties – Mongolia and Poland – have voluntarily provided all of the transparency information that is required of States Parties. Three other States not parties voluntarily provided some of the information called for under Article 7 but these States – Azerbaijan, Morocco and Sri Lanka – chose not to be as transparent as the States Parties on key matters such as stockpiled anti-personnel mines possessed, anti-personnel mines retained for training and development and / or the location of all areas that contain or are suspected to contain anti-personnel mines.

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<sup>46</sup> *Ibid.*, action #58.

<sup>47</sup> *Ibid.*, action #55.

<sup>48</sup> *Ibid.*, action #57.

207. The States Parties continued to express their appreciation for the efforts undertaken by the ICBL and other non-governmental organisations to monitor implementation of the Convention, thus providing an important complement to the States Parties' formal and informal exchanges of information on implementation.

*VII. Measures to ensure compliance*

208. There are now 59 States Parties that have reported that they have adopted legislation in the context of Article 9 obligations and 33 that have reported that they consider existing laws sufficient to give effect to the Convention. Consequently, there are 64 States Parties that have not yet reported having adopted legislation in the context of Article 9 obligations or that they consider existing laws sufficient to give effect to the Convention. (See Appendix XI.) Several of these States Parties have reported that they are in the process of adopting legislation to fulfil their obligations under Article 9 of the Convention. However, many of these have not reported any progress on this matter in their Article 7 reports since the Nairobi Summit. It therefore remains an important challenge for the States Parties following the Second Review Conference to act with greater urgency to take necessary legal measures in accordance with Article 9.

209. At the Nairobi Summit it was agreed that "States Parties that have not yet done so will make their needs known to the ICRC or other relevant actors in instances when assistance is required to develop implementing legislation."<sup>49</sup> Both the ICRC and the UN have, since the Nairobi Summit, assisted a number of States Parties in this regard.

210. In addition to reporting on legal measures taken, some States Parties have reported on other measures mentioned in Article 9 to prevent or suppress prohibited activities. These measures include systematic dissemination of information regarding the Convention's prohibitions to one's armed forces, the development of armed forces training bulletins, the distribution of the text of the Convention in military academies, harmonizing military doctrine in accordance with the Convention's obligations and directives issued to police forces. Given that few States Parties have reported taking such measures, however, it will be an ongoing challenge to ensure that administrative and other measures, in addition to legal measures, are taken to prevent and suppress prohibited activities.

211. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties noted that one State Party had indicated that it faces the challenge of armed non-state actors carrying out prohibited activities on its sovereign territory and, that as such actors are subject to the jurisdiction of the State in question, they may be called to account for violations of the Convention in accordance with the national implementation measures established by the State Party under Article 9. Since the Nairobi Summit, this matter has remained pertinent.

212. Since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties have recorded two potential questions that may relate to compliance with the Convention's prohibitions, contained in Article 1 of the Convention. Concern was expressed regarding a UN Monitoring Group's reports on Somalia referring to the alleged transfer of mines into Somalia by three States Parties to the Convention and one State not party. In addition, Cambodia and Thailand informed the States Parties of their views on, and ongoing investigations of, the circumstances under which two Thai army rangers were seriously injured by landmines on 6 October 2008 and on ongoing bilateral consultations. In both instances, Presidents of Meetings of the States Parties sought, in a manner consistent with Article 8, paragraph 1, to address these concerns about compliance. In one instance, the current, in-coming and immediate past Presidents of

<sup>49</sup> *Ibid.*, action #60.

Meetings of the States Parties collaborated to develop approaches that would be in the best interest of the Convention and the States Parties concerned.

213. In response to the serious cases of non-compliance with Article 4 of the Convention, since the Nairobi Summit, Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction have taken the initiative, in a manner consistent with Article 8, paragraph 1, to consult with relevant States Parties and other relevant actors regarding the implementation of this provision of the Convention. As noted, they have also promoted the application of recommendations intended to prevent future instances of non-compliance with Article 4 of the Convention.

214. Some States Parties have remarked that the slow pace of implementation of the obligation to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under a State Party's jurisdiction or control, as soon as possible but not later than ten years after entry into force is a compliance concern. The States Parties have responded by agreeing to highlight that in some instances no demining had taken place since entry into force and that in certain instances both the Convention and States Parties concerned would benefit if implementation proceeded much faster than had been suggested in requests for extensions of Article 5 deadlines.

215. In accordance with Article 8, paragraph 9, the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA), Geneva Branch, has fulfilled the UN Secretary-General's responsibility to prepare and update a list of names, nationalities and other relevant data of qualified experts designated for fact finding missions authorised in accordance with Article 8, paragraph 8. The UNODA, Geneva Branch, has regularly communicated this information to all States Parties and has also made it available through its website. Since the Nairobi Summit, the following States Parties have provided the names of qualified experts: Argentina, Austria, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Chile, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, France, Germany, Guatemala, Guyana, Italy, Jordan, Kenya, Luxembourg, Mali, Nicaragua, Panama, Portugal, the Republic of Moldova, Serbia, Spain, Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, Yemen, Zambia and Zimbabwe. The list of qualified experts designated for fact finding missions authorised in accordance with Article 8, paragraph 8 now contains a total of 189 experts from the above mentioned States Parties.

216. Since the Nairobi Summit, no State Party has submitted a request for clarification of a compliance matter to a Meeting of the States Parties in accordance with Article 8, paragraph 2, or has proposed that a Special Meeting of the States Parties be convened in accordance with Article 8, paragraph 5.

#### *VIII. Implementation support*

217. Article 11 of the Convention states that "the States Parties shall meet regularly in order to consider any matter with regard to the application or implementation of this Convention (...)" and that Meetings of the States Parties subsequent to the First Meeting of the States Parties will be convened annually until the First Review Conference. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties agreed "to hold annually, until the Second Review Conference, a Meeting of the States Parties which will regularly take place in the second half of the year, in Geneva or, when possible or appropriate, in a mine-affected country." The Sixth Meeting of the States Parties was held in Zagreb, Croatia from 28 November to 2 December 2005 and presided over by the Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Affairs of Croatia, Ms. Kolinda Grabar-Kitarovic. The Seventh Meeting of the States Parties was held in Geneva from 18 to 22 September 2006 and presided over by Her Excellency Ambassador Caroline Millar of Australia. The Eighth Meeting of the States Parties was held at the Dead Sea, Jordan, from 18 to 22 November 2007 and presided over by His

Royal Highness Prince Mired Raad Al-Hussein of Jordan. The Ninth Meeting of the States Parties was held from 24 to 28 November 2008 and presided over by His Excellency Ambassador Jürg Streuli of Switzerland.

218. Since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties have truly made use of their Meetings of the States Parties as mechanisms to advance implementation of the Convention. At each Meeting, the States Parties considered an annual progress report prepared by the Meeting's President. These reports measured progress made in the pursuit of the States Parties core aims since the preceding Meeting of the States Parties, supported the application of the Nairobi Action Plan and highlighted priority areas of work for the States Parties, the Co-Chairs and the presidency in the periods between Meetings of the States Parties. In addition, programmes for the Meetings of the States Parties provided an opportunity for States Parties implementing key provisions of the Convention to provide updates in fulfilling their obligations. As well, at various Meetings of the States Parties, as noted elsewhere in this review, the States Parties took decisions to enhance the effort to implement and ensure compliance with the Convention.

219. At the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties agreed "to convene annually, until 2009, informal intersessional meetings of the Standing Committees to be held in Geneva in the first half of the year, for a duration of up to five days" and that "as a general rule, however not excluding exceptions for specific reasons, intersessional meetings of the Standing Committees would take place in February / March and the annual Meetings of the States Parties in September." In addition, the States Parties agreed that "in keeping with the States Parties' practice of being flexible and pragmatic in addressing changing circumstances, the States Parties may review decisions regarding their 2005-2009 programme of meetings at each Meeting of the States Parties prior to the Second Review Conference." On the basis of decisions taken at the Nairobi Summit and at Meetings of the States Parties since that time, meetings of the Standing Committees were held in Geneva from 13 to 17 June 2005, from 8 to 12 May 2006, from 23 to 27 April 2007, from 2 to 6 June 2008 and from 25 to 29 May 2009.

220. Since the First Review Conference, the Intersessional Work Programme, established at the First Meeting of the States Parties, continued to provide a valuable forum for the informal exchange of information, thus complementing the official exchange of information required under Article 7 of the Convention. In doing so, the States Parties continued the practice of ensuring that meetings built upon one another by emphasising the importance of States Parties using the Intersessional Work Programme to provide clarity on steps taken to progressively implement the Convention and for all States Parties to discuss collectively overcoming challenges faced. Co-Chairs of the various Standing Committees distributed questionnaires and issued invitations to relevant States Parties to provide updates on specific matters. In doing so, Co-Chairs acted upon the commitments made at the First Review Conference for relevant States Parties to "make their problems, plans, progress and priorities for assistance known in a timely manner to other States Parties (...)", to "monitor and promote achievement of mine clearance goals and the identification of assistance needs (...)", and to "monitor and promote progress in the achievement of victim assistance goals (...)." <sup>50</sup>

221. Since the Nairobi Summit, the States Parties have continued electing, at each of the Meetings of the States Parties, Co-Chairs and Co-Rapporteurs of the Standing Committees, maintaining the practice that one year's Co-Rapporteurs are elected as the subsequent year's Co-Chairs. This practice has continued to ensure that the States Parties have remained true to key principles that were considered essential when the Intersessional Work

<sup>50</sup> Ibid., actions #13, #22, #28 and #37.

Programme was established in 1999, namely continuity and the value of meetings building upon one another. A table containing the names of the States Parties that have served as Co-Chairs and Co-Rapporteurs since the Intersessional Work Programme was founded can be seen in Appendix XII.

222. The Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention have continued the practice of consulting widely with a view to proposing, for acceptance by all States Parties, a list of new Co-Rapporteurs to serve during the period between formal meetings. In doing so, the Co-Chairs have kept in mind the principles of ensuring a regional balance, a balance between States Parties in the process of implementing key provisions of the Convention and other States Parties and a balance between the need for rotation and the need for continuity. States Parties have been reminded that, beginning in 2008, Co-Chairs and Co-Rapporteurs have an additional responsibility in joining the presidency in fulfilling the mandate of jointly preparing an analysis of each request submitted in accordance with Article 5, paragraph 3 of the Convention.

223. The Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD) has hosted, and Switzerland has provided financial support, through the GICHD for, the meetings of the Standing Committees. Beginning in 2008, the States Parties that are contributors to the ISU Trust Fund also began to cover approximately half of the costs of the Intersessional Work Programme in that the Coordinating Committee recommended that the ISU Trust Fund cover the costs for interpretation at meetings of the Standing Committees. This has contributed to the financial strain facing the ISU Trust Fund.

224. While the Intersessional Work Programme has continued to play a central role in supporting implementation of the Convention, there has been no thorough assessment of it since 2002. The principles that have been central to the success of the Intersessional Work Programme will continue to need to be applied. However, a challenge for the States Parties following the Second Review Conference will be to continue to be pragmatic and flexible in adjusting implementation mechanisms in accordance with evolving needs and realities.

225. The States Parties have continued to recognise the value and importance of the Coordinating Committee, established at the Second Meeting of the States Parties in 2000, in the effective functioning and implementation of the Convention. In fulfilling its mandate, the Coordinating Committee has continued to be practical-minded and has applied the principle of flexibility with respect to its coordination of the Intersessional Work Programme. In addition, the Coordinating Committee has operated in an open and transparent manner, having made available summary reports of its meetings on the Convention's website and through updates provided by the Chair of the Coordinating Committee to the States Parties.

226. Since Nairobi, the ISU has evolved in terms of the support it provides, the ISU has grown in size, and there has been increasing appreciation on the part of the States Parties for the work of the ISU. States Parties have increasingly come to rely on the ISU to support them on a wide range of matters as concerns the implementation of the Convention, for example, seeking advice on matters related to compliance, requesting information or assistance in making good use of the Convention's informal or formal meetings, asking for information on the status of implementation of various provisions of the Convention, et cetera.

227. As noted, the understandings on victim assistance adopted at the Nairobi Summit provided a basis for the States Parties to act strategically in this area of the Convention. Successive Co-Chairs have responded by requesting the support of the ISU to in turn support those States Parties responsible for significant numbers of landmine survivors in applying these understandings. While this work began in 2005 on a project basis (i.e., a

fixed time period during which clear-cut objectives would be achieved), the ISU's support to States Parties on victim assistance has evolved between 2005 and 2009 to become a core programmatic area of work for the ISU. That is, advice and support to relevant States Parties is necessary as long as such States Parties continue to need and desire advisory services in this area.

228. In 2007 States Parties implementing Article 5 of the Convention began preparing requests for extensions. The ISU responded by developing a strategy to provide advice and support to them in doing so. The magnitude of this work was greater than what many would have expected, given the large number of requests. Moreover, the decisions of the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties to establish a process for the preparation, submission and consideration of Article 5 request both underscored the advisory role of the ISU vis-à-vis requesting States Parties and established a role for the ISU to serve as a secretariat to the States Parties mandated to consider Article 5 extension requests.

229. Successive Presidents of Meetings of the States Parties, as well as some individual States Parties, have placed a heavy emphasis on promoting universalization. The ISU has responded by serving as an expert resource in support of their efforts, some of which have been extensive and ambitious. In addition, as the competency of the ISU has increased, in large part due to several years of experience in supporting and advising States Parties, the ISU has acquired niche expertise in various other areas. For instance, the ISU provides leading support to the States Parties on matters concerning the preparation of transparency reports. It has played an important role in leading seminars to assist various actors in understanding the Convention and how it works. It has developed a strategic response to address the needs of small States Parties. As well, it has provided inputs in a number of areas regarding how the lessons learned from the application of the Convention may be applicable elsewhere.

230. When the States Parties agreed to mandate the establishment of the ISU, they agreed to assure that, on a voluntary basis, they would provide the resources necessary for the operations of the unit. Since the Nairobi Summit, the following States Parties have made contributions to the ISU Trust Fund: Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burundi, Chile, Canada, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Cyprus, Estonia, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, the Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, the Philippines, Qatar, Senegal, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden and Turkey. Contributions received by the ISU Trust Fund since it was established can be found in Appendix XIII. In addition to receiving support from the States Parties on a voluntary basis through the ISU Trust Fund, the ISU has also continued to receive support from Switzerland in terms of its contributions to the general operations of the GICHD.

231. At the 29 May 2009 meeting of the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention, the Director of the ISU informed the States Parties that voluntary contributions were no longer keeping pace with the costs of services demanded by the States Parties. It was noted that the ISU will not be able to continue providing the level of support, advice and assistance that the States Parties have grown used to if additional and sustainable resources are not provided to fund its work. A challenge for the States Parties remains to ensure the sustainability of funding of the operations of the ISU, through either the existing method or another manner. Without a sustainable means of financing, the ISU will have to drastically reduce its service offerings, which no doubt would adversely affect the implementation process.

232. The States Parties have heeded the call made at the Nairobi Summit to “continue to utilise informal mechanisms such as the Contact Groups, which have emerged to meet specific needs.”<sup>51</sup> Since the Nairobi Summit, Contact Groups of Universalization (coordinated by Canada), Article 7 Transparency Reporting (coordinated by Belgium), Resource Utilisation (coordinated by Norway) and Linking Mine Action and Development (coordinated by Canada) have met regularly on the margins of the Convention’s meetings. Participation in the work of these Contact Groups has been open to any interested actors. This inclusive and collaborative approach has ensured that the Contact Groups have played important roles in supporting progress toward the fulfilment of the Convention’s aims. In addition, the informal Sponsorship Programme (coordinated by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), has continued to permit widespread representation at meetings of the Convention, particularly by mine-affected developing States Parties.

233. The States Parties have lived up to the commitment they made at the Nairobi Summit to “encourage the invaluable contribution to the work of the Convention by the ICBL, the ICRC, the UN, the GICHD and regional and other organisations.”<sup>52</sup> The States Parties have benefited greatly from the sense of partnership that exists on the part of the wide range of actors that have committed to working together to ensure the full and effective implementation of the Convention.

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<sup>51</sup> Ibid., action #69.

<sup>52</sup> Ibid., action #56.

## Appendix I

### States that have ratified or acceded to the Convention

| <i>State</i>                     | <i>Date of Formal Acceptance</i> | <i>Date of Entry-into-force</i> |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Afghanistan                      | 11 September 2002                | 1 March 2003                    |
| Albania                          | 29 February 2000                 | 1 August 2000                   |
| Algeria                          | 9 October 2001                   | 1 April 2002                    |
| Andorra                          | 29 June 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| Angola                           | 5 July 2002                      | 1 January 2003                  |
| Antigua and Barbuda              | 3 May 1999                       | 1 November 1999                 |
| Argentina                        | 14 September 1999                | 1 March 2000                    |
| Australia                        | 14 January 1999                  | 1 July 1999                     |
| Austria                          | 29 June 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| Bahamas                          | 31 July 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| Bangladesh                       | 6 September 2000                 | 1 March 2001                    |
| Barbados                         | 26 January 1999                  | 1 July 1999                     |
| Belarus                          | 3 September 2003                 | 1 March 2004                    |
| Belgium                          | 4 September 1998                 | 1 March 1999                    |
| Belize                           | 23 April 1998                    | 1 March 1999                    |
| Benin                            | 25 September 1998                | 1 March 1999                    |
| Bhutan                           | 18 August 2005                   | 1 February 2006                 |
| Bolivia (Plurinational State of) | 9 June 1998                      | 1 March 1999                    |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina           | 8 September 1998                 | 1 March 1999                    |
| Botswana                         | 1 March 2000                     | 1 September 2000                |
| Brazil                           | 30 April 1999                    | 1 October 1999                  |
| Brunei Darussalam                | 24 April 2006                    | 1 October 2006                  |
| Bulgaria                         | 4 September 1998                 | 1 March 1999                    |
| Burkina Faso                     | 16 September 1998                | 1 March 1999                    |
| Burundi                          | 22 October 2003                  | 1 April 2004                    |
| Cambodia                         | 28 July 1999                     | 1 January 2000                  |
| Cameroon                         | 19 September 2002                | 1 March 2003                    |
| Canada                           | 3 December 1997                  | 1 March 1999                    |

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|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Cape Verde                       | 14 May 2001                      | 1 November 2001                 |
| Central African Republic         | 8 November 2002                  | 1 May 2003                      |
| Chad                             | 6 May 1999                       | 1 November 1999                 |
| Chile                            | 10 September 2001                | 1 March 2002                    |
| Colombia                         | 6 September 2000                 | 1 March 2001                    |
| Comoros                          | 19 September 2002                | 1 March 2003                    |
| Congo (Brazzaville)              | 4 May 2001                       | 1 November 2001                 |
| Cook Islands                     | 15 March 2006                    | 1 September 2006                |
| Costa Rica                       | 17 March 1999                    | 1 September 1999                |
| Côte d'Ivoire                    | 30 June 2000                     | 1 December 2000                 |
| Croatia                          | 20 May 1998                      | 1 March 1999                    |
| Cyprus                           | 17 January 2003                  | 1 July 2003                     |
| Czech Republic                   | 26 October 1999                  | 1 April 2000                    |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | 2 May 2002                       | 1 November 2002                 |
| Denmark                          | 8 June 1998                      | 1 March 1999                    |
| Djibouti                         | 18 May 1998                      | 1 March 1999                    |
| Dominica                         | 26 March 1999                    | 1 September 1999                |
| Dominican Republic               | 30 June 2000                     | 1 December 2000                 |
| Ecuador                          | 29 April 1999                    | 1 October 1999                  |
| El Salvador                      | 27 January 1999                  | 1 July 1999                     |
| Equatorial Guinea                | 16 September 1998                | 1 March 1999                    |
| Eritrea                          | 27 August 2001                   | 1 February 2002                 |
| Estonia                          | 12 May 2004                      | 1 November 2004                 |
| Ethiopia                         | 17 December 2004                 | 1 June 2005                     |
| Fiji                             | 10 June 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| France                           | 23 July 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| Gabon                            | 8 September 2000                 | 1 March 2001                    |
| Gambia                           | 23 September 2002                | 1 March 2003                    |
| Germany                          | 23 July 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| Ghana                            | 30 June 2000                     | 1 December 2000                 |
| Greece                           | 25 September 2003                | 1 March 2004                    |
| Grenada                          | 19 August 1998                   | 1 March 1999                    |

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|---------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Guatemala     | 26 March 1999                    | 1 September 1999                |
| Guinea        | 8 October 1998                   | 1 April 1999                    |
| Guinea Bissau | 22 May 2001                      | 1 November 2001                 |
| Guyana        | 5 August 2003                    | 1 February 2004                 |
| Haiti         | 15 February 2006                 | 1 August 2006                   |
| Holy See      | 17 February 1998                 | 1 March 1999                    |
| Honduras      | 24 September 1998                | 1 March 1999                    |
| Hungary       | 6 April 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| Iceland       | 5 May 1999                       | 1 November 1999                 |
| Indonesia     | 16 February 2007                 | 1 August 2007                   |
| Iraq          | 15 August 2007                   | 1 February 2008                 |
| Ireland       | 3 December 1997                  | 1 March 1999                    |
| Italy         | 23 April 1999                    | 1 October 1999                  |
| Jamaica       | 17 July 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| Japan         | 30 September 1998                | 1 March 1999                    |
| Jordan        | 13 November 1998                 | 1 May 1999                      |
| Kenya         | 23 January 2001                  | 1 July 2001                     |
| Kiribati      | 7 September 2000                 | 1 March 2001                    |
| Kuwait        | 30 July 2007                     | 1 January 2008                  |
| Latvia        | 1 July 2005                      | 1 January 2006                  |
| Lesotho       | 2 December 1998                  | 1 June 1999                     |
| Liberia       | 23 December 1999                 | 1 June 2000                     |
| Liechtenstein | 5 October 1999                   | 1 April 2000                    |
| Lithuania     | 12 May 2003                      | 1 November 2003                 |
| Luxembourg    | 14 June 1999                     | 1 December 1999                 |
| Madagascar    | 16 September 1999                | 1 March 2000                    |
| Malawi        | 13 August 1998                   | 1 March 1999                    |
| Malaysia      | 22 April 1999                    | 1 October 1999                  |
| Maldives      | 7 September 2000                 | 1 March 2001                    |
| Mali          | 2 June 1998                      | 1 March 1999                    |
| Malta         | 7 May 2001                       | 1 November 2001                 |
| Mauritania    | 21 July 2000                     | 1 January 2001                  |

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|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Mauritius                        | 3 December 1997                  | 1 March 1999                    |
| Mexico                           | 9 June 1998                      | 1 March 1999                    |
| Monaco                           | 17 November 1998                 | 1 May 1999                      |
| Montenegro                       | 23 October 2006                  | 1 April 2007                    |
| Mozambique                       | 25 August 1998                   | 1 March 1999                    |
| Namibia                          | 21 September 1998                | 1 March 1999                    |
| Nauru                            | 7 August 2000                    | 1 February 2001                 |
| Netherlands                      | 12 April 1999                    | 1 October 1999                  |
| New Zealand                      | 27 January 1999                  | 1 July 1999                     |
| Nicaragua                        | 30 November 1998                 | 1 May 1999                      |
| Niger                            | 23 March 1999                    | 1 September 1999                |
| Nigeria                          | 27 September 2001                | 1 March 2002                    |
| Niue                             | 15 April 1998                    | 1 March 1999                    |
| Norway                           | 9 July 1998                      | 1 March 1999                    |
| Palau                            | 18 November 2007                 | 1 May 2008                      |
| Panama                           | 7 October 1998                   | 1 April 1999                    |
| Papua New Guinea                 | 28 June 2004                     | 1 December 2004                 |
| Paraguay                         | 13 November 1998                 | 1 May 1999                      |
| Peru                             | 17 June 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| Philippines                      | 15 February 2000                 | 1 August 2000                   |
| Portugal                         | 19 February 1999                 | 1 August 1999                   |
| Qatar                            | 13 October 1998                  | 1 April 1999                    |
| Republic of Moldova              | 8 September 2000                 | 1 March 2001                    |
| Romania                          | 30 November 2000                 | 1 May 2001                      |
| Rwanda                           | 8 June 2000                      | 1 December 2000                 |
| Saint Kitts and Nevis            | 2 December 1998                  | 1 June 1999                     |
| Saint Lucia                      | 13 April 1999                    | 1 October 1999                  |
| Saint Vincent and the Grenadines | 1 August 2001                    | 1 February 2002                 |
| Samoa                            | 23 July 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| San Marino                       | 18 March 1998                    | 1 March 1999                    |
| Sao Tome and Principe            | 31 March 2003                    | 1 September 2003                |
| Senegal                          | 24 September 1998                | 1 March 1999                    |

| <i>State</i>   | <i>Date of Formal Acceptance</i> | <i>Date of Entry-into-force</i> |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Serbia   | 18 September 2003                | 1 March 2004                    |
| Seychelles   | 2 June 2000                      | 1 December 2000                 |
| Sierra Leone   | 25 April 2001                    | 1 October 2001                  |
| Slovakia   | 25 February 1999                 | 1 August 1999                   |
| Slovenia   | 27 October 1998                  | 1 April 1999                    |
| Solomon Islands                                      | 26 January 1999                  | 1 July 1999                     |
| South Africa   | 26 June 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| Spain  | 19 January 1999                  | 1 July 1999                     |
| Sudan  | 13 October 2003                  | 1 April 2004                    |
| Suriname   | 23 May 2002                      | 1 November 2002                 |
| Swaziland  | 22 December 1998                 | 1 June 1999                     |
| Sweden   | 30 November 1998                 | 1 May 1999                      |
| Switzerland  | 24 March 1998                    | 1 March 1999                    |
| Tajikistan   | 12 October 1999                  | 1 April 2000                    |
| Thailand   | 27 November 1998                 | 1 May 1999                      |
| The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia            | 9 September 1998                 | 1 March 1999                    |
| Timor-Leste  | 7 May 2003                       | 1 November 2003                 |
| Togo   | 9 March 2000                     | 1 September 2000                |
| Trinidad and Tobago                                  | 27 April 1998                    | 1 March 1999                    |
| Tunisia  | 9 July 1999                      | 1 January 2000                  |
| Turkey   | 25 September 2003                | 1 March 2004                    |
| Turkmenistan   | 19 January 1998                  | 1 March 1999                    |
| Uganda   | 25 February 1999                 | 1 August 1999                   |
| Ukraine  | 27 December 2005                 | 1 June 2006                     |
| United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland | 31 July 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |
| United Republic of Tanzania                          | 13 November 2000                 | 1 May 2001                      |
| Uruguay  | 7 June 2001                      | 1 December 2001                 |
| Vanuatu  | 16 September 2005                | 1 March 2006                    |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)                   | 14 April 1999                    | 1 October 1999                  |
| Yemen  | 1 September 1998                 | 1 March 1999                    |
| Zambia   | 23 February 2001                 | 1 August 2001                   |

| <i>State</i> | <i>Date of Formal Acceptance</i> | <i>Date of Entry-into-force</i> |
|--------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Zimbabwe     | 18 June 1998                     | 1 March 1999                    |

## Appendix II

### Acceptance of the Convention's norms by States not Parties

**Table 1: Status of the acceptance of the Convention's norms by States not parties**

| <i>State not party</i>  | <i>Most recent UNGA vote on the Convention</i> | <i>Stated support for aims of the Convention</i>   | <i>Stated reason for not acceding to the Convention</i>  | <i>Stockpiles anti-personnel mines</i> | <i>New emplacements of mines since 2004</i> |
|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|---|
| Armenia <sup>1</sup>    | In favour                                      | Armenia has expressed its willingness to accede to the Convention perceiving it as one of the instruments for elimination of an entire category of excessively injurious conventional weapons.                           | Armenia's accession to the Convention is contingent upon the readiness of other countries of the region to adhere to the Convention and complex with its regime.   |  |   |
| Azerbaijan <sup>2</sup> | In favour                                      | Azerbaijan fully supports the comprehensive ban and destruction of anti-personnel landmines and envisaged the full ban and destruction of those mines throughout the world as an impetus to global security and welfare. | Azerbaijan has not acceded to the Convention since it was forced to use mines as a measure of containment from possible hostilities. Azerbaijan could not accede to the Convention without settlement of an armed conflict with a neighbouring State and the restoration of its territorial integrity and removal of the threat of resumption of hostility, even though it had stopped planting additional mines. Adherence to the Convention would only be possible after the final settlement of the conflict with the neighbouring State in question. | yes <sup>3</sup>                       |   |

<sup>1</sup> Statement distributed by Armenia at the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties, Geneva, 18-22 September 2006.

<sup>2</sup> Debate on the draft UNGA First Committee resolution on the Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (document A/C.1/64/L.53), October 2009.

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|----------------------|-----------|--|--|------------------|
| Bahrain <sup>4</sup> | In favour | Bahrain shares the Convention's good cause and is aware that landmines will not solve any problems but rather create others. |  | yes              |
| China <sup>5</sup>   | In favour | China appreciates the humanitarianism enshrined in the Convention and endorses its purposes and objectives.                  |  | yes              |
| Cuba <sup>6</sup>    | Abstained |  | Cuba is under aggression from the only super-power in the world and, as such, is unable to accede in order to protect its sovereignty. It would continue to support all efforts by maintaining a necessary balance and working to minimise the effects of anti-personnel mines on civilian populations, particularly their indiscriminate and irresponsible use. |                  |
| Egypt <sup>7</sup>   | Abstained | Egypt had imposed a moratorium on landmines long before the conclusion of the Convention.                                    | Egypt state that the Convention is unbalanced as it does not acknowledge the responsibilities of States that had laid mines on other territories, as was the case in Egypt, where mines had been planted by Second World War powers.   | yes <sup>8</sup> |

<sup>3</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 881.

<sup>4</sup> According to the ICBL Mission Report, Advocacy Mission to Bahrain and Kuwait, 24-28 March 2006

<sup>5</sup> Statement of China to the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties, November 2008.

<sup>6</sup> Debate on the draft General Assembly resolution from the First Committee resolution on the Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (document A/C.1/64/L.53), October 2009.

<sup>7</sup> Explanation of vote on the General Assembly resolution from the First Committee resolution on the Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (document A/C.1/64/L.53), October 2009.

<sup>8</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 905.

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| Finland <sup>9</sup>  | In favour | Finland will accede to the Convention in 2012 and will destroy its landmines by the end of 2016.   | Finland's credible defence capability will be maintained by acquiring systems to replace landmines in the period 2009-2016. In order to replace anti-personnel mines' effect, extra funding of €200 million will be included in the spending limits of the defence establishment 2009-2016 for the procurement of systems to replace the anti-personnel mines.  | yes               |
| Georgia <sup>10</sup> | In favour | Georgia has never produced anti-personnel mines and doesn't retain the option to produce them. In 1996, the President of Georgia declared a moratorium on producing, importing and using anti-personnel mines.                 | Due to existing circumstances, it is not reasonable to join the Convention. The main reasons for not acceding to the Convention are the occupied territories and unstable environment surrounding them. This situation will prevent Georgia from the fulfilment of Convention obligations.  | yes               |
| India <sup>11</sup>   | Abstained | India supports the vision of a world free of the threat of anti-personnel landmines. Since 1997, India has discontinued the production of non-detectable anti-personnel mines and has observed a moratorium on their transfer. | India supports the approach, enshrined in CCW Amended Protocol II, to which it is a state party which addresses the legitimate defence requirements of States, especially those with long borders. The availability of militarily effective alternative technologies that can perform, cost-effectively, the legitimate defensive role of anti personnel landmines will considerably facilitate the goal of the complete elimination of anti-personnel mines. | yes <sup>12</sup> |
| Iran <sup>13</sup>    | Abstained | Iran fully shares and sympathises with the concern of the international community over the tragic consequences of anti-personnel mines.  | Particular security concerns of states should be effectively addressed. Searching for an alternative defensive means to replace anti-personnel mines is of major importance.  | yes               |

<sup>9</sup> Finnish Security and Defence Policy 2004 and 2009.

<sup>10</sup> Information transmitted by the Permanent Mission of Georgia (Geneva) to the ISU, 15 October 2009.

<sup>11</sup> Explanation of vote on the General Assembly resolution from the First Committee resolution on the Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (document A/C.1/64/L.53), October 2009.

<sup>12</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 932.

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| Israel <sup>14</sup>             | Abstained | Israel joins all those countries in supporting international efforts to resolve the problem of indiscriminate and irresponsible use of anti-personnel mines.   | Due to our unique situation in the Middle East involving an ongoing threat of hostilities as well as terrorist threats and actions along the borders, we are still obliged to maintain anti-personnel mines as necessary for self-defence in general and along borders in particular. Israel is unable to sign the Convention until effective alternative measures are available to ensure the protection of civilians threatened on a daily basis by terrorists and to ensure the protection of Israeli forces operating in areas of armed conflict. | yes |
| Kazakhstan <sup>15</sup>         | In favour | Kazakhstan completely supports the humane orientation of the Convention.   | Full destruction or even a moratorium on use of anti-personnel mines is unacceptable in the absence of an alternative system.   | yes |
| Korea, DPR of <sup>16</sup>      | Abstained |  | The DPR of Korea is not ready to accede given its complex security situation.   | yes |
| Korea, Republic of <sup>17</sup> | Abstained | The Republic of Korea is concerned about and committed to mitigating human suffering, and is enforcing a moratorium on mine exports. It is also part of initiatives and trust funds on mine clearance and related humanitarian activities. |   | yes |
| Kyrgyzstan <sup>18</sup>         | Abstained | Kyrgyzstan supports the goal of a mine-free world.   | Kyrgyzstan does not yet have the necessary alternatives for border defense, and it lacks financial and technical resources to implement the Convention.   | yes |

<sup>13</sup> Statement by the Islamic Republic of Iran to the Signing Conference of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention, 4 December 1997.

<sup>14</sup> Statement by Israel to the Signing Conference of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention, 4 December 1997.

<sup>15</sup> Statement by the Chief of Special Troops Department of the Chief of Staff Committee of the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Kazakhstan at the International Seminar "Confidence Building Measures and Regional Cooperation through Mine Action", Almaty, 25-27 March 2007.

<sup>16</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 959.

<sup>17</sup> Explanation of vote on the General Assembly resolution from the First Committee resolution on the Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (document A/C.1/64/L.53), October 2009.

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|--------------------------------------|-----------|---|--|-----|
| Lao PDR <sup>19</sup>                | In favour | The Lao PDR will accede to the Convention; however, it requires some time to prepare itself in order to be able to meet its obligations fully and effectively. The Lao PDR does not produce or transfer anti-personnel mines. | The primary reason that makes us delay our accession is security reason and lack of readiness to fully meet our obligations under Ottawa Convention such as clearance. As the most affected nation on earth by cluster munitions (UXO), the Lao Government is heavily focusing on UXO clearance.   | yes |
| Lebanon <sup>20</sup>                | Abstained |   | Lebanon is unable to join the treaty due to the continuing conflict with Israel, and concerns about the security of its southern border.   | yes |
| Libyan Arab Jamahiriya <sup>21</sup> | Abstained |   | The Convention does not take into account the problem in an objective fashion. It had also not taken into account the concerns of a large number of UN Member States. The Convention had prohibited the use of mines by the most impoverished countries, which only used them to defend their borders. The treaty also did not take into account that the smaller, weaker countries were subjected to occupation and aggression. |     |

<sup>18</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 969.

<sup>19</sup> Information transmitted by the Permanent Mission of the Lao PDR (Geneva) to the ISU, 15 July 2009.

<sup>20</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 991.

<sup>21</sup> Debate on the draft General Assembly resolution from the First Committee resolution on the Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (document A/C.1/64/L.53), October 2009.

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|---|-----------|---|--|-----|----|
| Marshall Islands <sup>22</sup>                | In favour | The Marshall Islands remains committed to the general principles of the Convention. We have witnessed firsthand the violence of mine-based warfare and we hope that the world's future generations will not be burdened with this dangerous practice. The Republic of the Marshall Islands does not, and has not, produced landmines. There are no known stockpiles. The Republic of the Marshall Islands has no current or future intention of such production or stockpiling. | Our limited technical capacity, as well as a variety of immediate and pressing demands..., severely constrain our ability to respond to all of our complex treaty commitments....Great care must be taken regarding future national action regarding the Convention. Such action may require a highly-complex analysis which successfully integrates our multiple international commitments. | no  | no |
| Micronesia, Federated States of <sup>23</sup> | In favour | The Government of the FSM has indicated its full support of the concept of universalisation and full implementation of the Convention. The FSM considers herself as a mine-free State. Regardless, the aspiration of the Government of the FSM to accede to the Convention remains intact.  | The Government of the Federated States of Micronesia is very close to fulfilling its internal legal requirements in order to accede to the Convention. Presently, there is a draft resolution before the Congress of the FSM seeking approval to accede to the Convention.   | no  | no |
| Mongolia <sup>24</sup>                        | In favour | Mongolia fully supports the international community's effort and initiatives undertaken under the Convention. Mongolia is not a mine-affected country. Mongolia has never deployed and will never deploy landmines on its territory. Mongolia shall not transfer, acquire or place landmines and shall ensure a safe storage of its stocks.   | Mongolia has "drafted an interagency action plan to implement our step-by-step accession to the Mine Ban Treaty, which will coordinate ministries' activities and create a legal, financial and technological foundation for it".  | yes | no |

<sup>22</sup> Statement by the Republic of the Marshall Islands to the 2 June 2008 meeting of the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention.

<sup>23</sup> Statement by the Federated States of Micronesia to Ninth Meeting of the States Parties, 26 November 2008.

<sup>24</sup> Statement by Mongolia to the 25 May 2009 meeting of the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention and statement delivered by Mongolia at the Second Review Conference, 1 December 2009.

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|-----------------------|-----------|---|---|-------------------|-----|
| Morocco <sup>25</sup> | In favour | Morocco fully subscribes and without reservations to the humanitarian principles and fundamental goals of the Convention. Morocco has been adhering to the Convention in a de facto sense. Morocco has never produced or transferred anti-personnel mines and has not used anti-personnel mines since well before the entry into force of the Convention. | Adhesion to the Convention is a strategic objective that would be achieved once security related to the protection of its southern provinces and territorial integrity is achieved.   | no                | no  |
| Myanmar <sup>26</sup> | Abstained | Myanmar is, in principle, in favour of banning the export, transfer and indiscriminate use of anti-personnel mines.   |   | yes               | yes |
| Nepal <sup>27</sup>   | Abstained | Nepal remains fully committed to the humanitarian objectives of the Convention.   | The army wishes to retain the option to use landmines again to protect its defense posts in case of renewed insurgency. <sup>28</sup>   | yes <sup>29</sup> | yes |
| Oman                  | In favour | The Sultanate of Oman shares wholeheartedly in the aims of the campaign for a total global ban. <sup>30</sup>   | Both the Ministry of Defence and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Oman have expressed the desire for a common position among the six gulf Cooperation Council states. <sup>31</sup> | yes               |     |

<sup>25</sup> Information transmitted by the Permanent Mission of Morocco (Geneva) to the ISU, 5 August 2009.

<sup>26</sup> Explanation of vote on the General Assembly resolution from the First Committee resolution on the Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and their Destruction (Document A/C.1/61/L.A7. Rev1 October 2006)

<sup>27</sup> Statement by Nepal to the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties to the AP Mine Ban Convention, Jordan, 18-22 November 2007.

<sup>28</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 1042.

<sup>29</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 1043.

<sup>30</sup> Statement by Oman at the Signing Ceremony of the AP Mine Ban Convention, Ottawa, Canada, 2 December 1997.

<sup>31</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2007, 947.

|                                  |           |   |   |     |     |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|---|-----|-----|
| Pakistan <sup>32</sup>           | Abstained |   | Landmines play a significant role in the defence needs of States. Given the need to guard long borders, the use of landmines forms a part of Pakistan's defence strategy. The goal of their total elimination means making available cost-effective alternatives. | yes |     |
| Poland <sup>33</sup>             | In favour | Poland has taken all the necessary steps to accede to the Convention in the near term. On 6 February 2009 the Government of Poland adopted Information on the state of readiness of the Council of Ministers to bind the Republic of Poland by the Convention, where it assured of its commitment to ratify the Convention in 2012. This adoption is the first step in the ratification process that will be initiated formally in due course. For several years Poland has voluntarily implemented most of the Convention's provisions: we do not produce, export or use anti-personnel mines in military operations. Poland announced a moratorium on transfers of anti-personnel mines in 1995 which was prolonged indefinitely in 1998. | The reason for not acceding to the Convention so far was that Poland has not yet introduced to its armed forces viable solutions which would substitute anti-personnel mines.   | yes | no  |
| Russian Federation <sup>34</sup> | Abstained |   | Russia is against the creation of forums where ones already exist. The Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons is the appropriate forum for the issue.   | yes | yes |

<sup>32</sup> Explanation of vote on the General Assembly resolution from the First Committee resolution on the Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (document A/C.1/64/L.53), October 2009.

<sup>33</sup> Information transmitted by the Permanent Mission of Poland (Geneva) to the ISU, 20 July 2009.

<sup>34</sup> Explanation of vote on the General Assembly resolution from the First Committee resolution on the Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (document A/C.1/64/L.53), October 2009.

|                                    |           |   |  |                   |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---|--|-------------------|----|
| Saudi Arabia <sup>35</sup>         |           | Saudi Arabia supports the humanitarian objectives and respects the spirit of the Convention.                                      | Saudi Arabia does not want to give up its option to use anti-personnel mines in the future.  | yes <sup>36</sup> |    |
| Singapore <sup>37</sup>            | In favour | Singapore declared a moratorium on landmines in 1996 and further, in 1998, on other types of mines.                               | The right defence of any State could not be hampered, so perhaps a total ban would be counter-productive.  | yes               |    |
| Somalia <sup>38</sup>              | In favour | The Transitional Federal Government of Somalia intends to accede to the Convention.   | Somalia states that the priority must remain on re-establishing the country.   | yes <sup>39</sup> |    |
| Sri Lanka <sup>40</sup>            | In favour |   | Sri Lanka's accession is dependent upon progress in the peace process.   | yes               |    |
| Syrian Arab Republic <sup>41</sup> | Abstained | Syria has expressed concern for the plight of mine victims and support for risk education and other efforts to protect civilians. | Syria view anti-personnel mines as necessary weapons for national defence. It considers continued occupation of part of the Golan Heights as an important reason for not joining the Convention. |                   |    |
| Tonga <sup>42</sup>                | In favour |   | Tonga states that it lacks the internal resources needed to complete the necessary accession procedures.   | no                | no |

<sup>35</sup> Statement delivered by Saudi Arabian Ministry of Defence to the First Review Conference of the AP Mine Ban Convention, Nairobi, 3 December 2004.

<sup>36</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 1081.

<sup>37</sup> Explanation of vote on the General Assembly resolution from the First Committee resolution on the Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (document A/C.1/64/L.53), October 2009.

<sup>38</sup> Statement by the Transitional Federal Government of Somalia to the First Review Conference of the AP Mine Ban Convention, Nairobi, 3 December 2009.

<sup>39</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 1087.

<sup>40</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 1104.

<sup>41</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 1122.

<sup>42</sup> Remarks of Tonga made to the Regional Workshop Towards a Mine-Free Pacific, Prot Vila, Vanuatu, 3 May 2007.

|                                    |           |   |   |                   |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---|---|-------------------|----|
| Tuvalu <sup>43</sup>               | In favour |   | Tuvalu states that its main obstacles to joining the Convention are limited manpower and financial resources to meeting other pressing needs on their budget.         | no                | no |
| United Arab Emirates <sup>44</sup> | In favour | We do not produce anti-personnel mines. We do not transfer anti-personnel mines to any party or any other country.  | We believe that the question of acceding to the Convention still needs further study and consultations before taking any decision.                                    | yes               |    |
| USA                                | Abstained | The United States shares the humanitarian concerns of parties to the Ottawa Convention.   | The USA is carrying out “an ongoing comprehensive review of US landmine policy initiated at the direction of President Obama”. <sup>45</sup>                          | yes               |    |
| Uzbekistan <sup>46</sup>           | Abstained |   | Uzbekistan has stated that mines are necessary for national security to prevent the flow of narcotics, arms and insurgent groups across its borders.                  | yes               |    |
| Vietnam <sup>47</sup>              | Abstained | We therefore have joined the world community to welcome the various bans, moratoria and other restrictions already declared by States on anti-personnel landmines as well as the growing consensus against the indiscriminate use of anti-personnel landmines against civilians....We support the humanitarian aspects of the Convention. | Vietnam has stated that it cannot sign the Convention yet as it does not duly take into account the legitimate security concerns of many countries including Vietnam. | yes <sup>48</sup> |    |

<sup>43</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 1128.

<sup>44</sup> Information transmitted by the Permanent Mission of the United Arab Emirates (Geneva) to the ISU, 25 September 2009.

<sup>45</sup> Statement delivered by the United States of America at the second Review Conference of the Convention, 1 December 2009.

<sup>46</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 1139.

<sup>47</sup> Statement delivered by Vietnam to the Meeting of the Standing Committee on General Status and Operation, 2 June 2008.

<sup>48</sup> Landmine Monitor Report 2009, 1143.

**Table 2: Voting record of States not parties on the annual UNGA resolution in support of the Convention**

| <i>State not party</i>                   | <i>2004<br/>UNGA 69/84</i> | <i>2005<br/>UNGA 60/80</i> | <i>2006<br/>UNGA 61/84</i> | <i>2007<br/>UNGA 62/41</i> | <i>2008<br/>UNGA 63/42</i> |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Armenia                                  | In favour                  |
| Azerbaijan                               | Abstained                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Bahrain                                  | In favour                  |
| China                                    | Abstained                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Cuba                                     | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Democratic People's<br>Republic of Korea |                            |                            |                            | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Egypt                                    | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Finland                                  | In favour                  |
| Georgia                                  | In favour                  |
| India                                    | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Iran                                     | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Israel                                   | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Kazakhstan                               | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Kyrgyzstan                               | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Lao People's<br>Democratic Republic      |                            |                            |                            | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Lebanon                                  | Abstained                  |                            | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Libyan Arab<br>Jamahiriyyah              | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Marshall Islands                         | Abstained                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Micronesia<br>(Federated States of)      | Abstained                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Mongolia                                 | In favour                  | Absent                     | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Morocco                                  | In favour                  |
| Myanmar                                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Nepal                                    |                            | In favour                  |                            | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Oman                                     | In favour                  |
| Pakistan                                 | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Poland                                   | In favour                  |

| <i>State not party</i>                | <i>2004<br/>UNGA 69/84</i> | <i>2005<br/>UNGA 60/80</i> | <i>2006<br/>UNGA 61/84</i> | <i>2007<br/>UNGA 62/41</i> | <i>2008<br/>UNGA 63/42</i> |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Republic of Korea                     | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Russian Federation                    | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Saudi Arabia                          |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |
| Singapore                             | In favour                  |
| Somalia                               | In favour                  | In favour                  |                            | In favour                  |                            |
| Sri Lanka                             | In favour                  |
| Syrian Arab Republic                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Tonga                                 | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |                            |
| Tuvalu                                | In favour                  | In favour                  |                            |                            | In favour                  |
| United Arab Emirates                  | In favour                  |
| United States of America              | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Uzbekistan                            | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Viet Nam                              | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Armenia                               | In favour                  |
| Azerbaijan                            | Abstained                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Bahrain                               | In favour                  |
| China                                 | Abstained                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Cuba                                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Democratic People's Republic of Korea |                            |                            |                            | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Egypt                                 | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Finland                               | In favour                  |
| Georgia                               | In favour                  |
| India                                 | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Iran                                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Israel                                | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Kazakhstan                            | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Kyrgyzstan                            | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Lao People's Democratic Republic      |                            |                            |                            | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Lebanon                               | Abstained                  |                            | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |

| <i>State not party</i>              | <i>2004<br/>UNGA 69/84</i> | <i>2005<br/>UNGA 60/80</i> | <i>2006<br/>UNGA 61/84</i> | <i>2007<br/>UNGA 62/41</i> | <i>2008<br/>UNGA 63/42</i> |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Libyan Arab<br>Jamahiriyah          | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Marshall Islands                    | Abstained                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Micronesia<br>(Federated States of) | Abstained                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Mongolia                            | In favour                  | Absent                     | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |
| Morocco                             | In favour                  |
| Myanmar                             | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Nepal                               |                            | In favour                  |                            | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Oman                                | In favour                  |
| Pakistan                            | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Poland                              | In favour                  |
| Republic of Korea                   | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Russian Federation                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Saudi Arabia                        |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |
| Singapore                           | In favour                  |
| Somalia                             | In favour                  | In favour                  |                            | In favour                  |                            |
| Sri Lanka                           | In favour                  |
| Syrian Arab<br>Republic             | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Tonga                               | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  | In favour                  |                            |
| Tuvalu                              | In favour                  | In favour                  |                            |                            | In favour                  |
| United Arab<br>Emirates             | In favour                  |
| United States of<br>America         | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Uzbekistan                          | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |
| Viet Nam                            | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  | Abstained                  |

## Appendix III

### Stockpiled anti-personnel mines destroyed and waiting to be destroyed

**Table 1: Stockpiled anti-personnel mines reported destroyed by the States Parties**

| <i>State Party</i>      | <i>Up to 2004</i> | <i>2005</i> | <i>2006</i> | <i>2007</i> | <i>2008</i> | <i>2009</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Afghanistan             |                   |             | 486'226     |             |             |             | 486'226      |
| Albania                 | 1'683'860         |             |             |             |             |             | 1'683'860    |
| Algeria                 | 3'030             | 144'020     |             |             |             |             | 147'050      |
| Angola                  |                   |             | 81'045      |             |             |             | 81'045       |
| Argentina               | 99'968            |             |             |             |             |             | 99'968       |
| Australia               | 134'621           |             |             |             |             |             | 134'621      |
| Austria                 | 116'000           |             |             |             |             |             | 116'000      |
| Bangladesh              |                   | 189'227     |             |             |             |             | 189'227      |
| Belarus                 | 253'658           |             | 298'375     |             |             |             | 552'033      |
| Belgium                 | 435'238           |             |             |             |             |             | 435'238      |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina* | 461'634           |             |             | 14'073      |             |             | 475'707      |
| Brazil                  | 27'852            |             |             |             |             |             | 27'852       |
| Bulgaria                | 890'209           |             |             | 12          |             |             | 890'221      |
| Burundi                 |                   |             |             |             | 664         |             | 664          |
| Cambodia                | 105'539           |             |             | 98'132      |             |             | 203'671      |
| Cameroon                | 500               |             |             |             |             |             | 500          |
| Canada                  | 92'551            |             |             |             |             |             | 92'551       |
| Cape Verde              |                   |             | 1'516       |             |             |             | 1'516        |
| Chad                    | 5'727             | 1'158       |             |             |             |             | 6'885        |
| Chile                   | 299'219           |             |             |             |             |             | 299'219      |
| Colombia                | 19'026            |             |             |             |             |             | 19'026       |
| Congo                   | 5'136             |             |             |             |             | 4'000       | 9'136        |

| <i>State Party</i>                  | <i>Up to 2004</i> | <i>2005</i> | <i>2006</i> | <i>2007</i> | <i>2008</i> | <i>2009</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Croatia                             | 199'271           |             |             |             |             |             | 199'271      |
| Cyprus                              | 4'368             | 11'000      | 18'154      | 15'394      |             |             | 48'916       |
| Czech Republic                      | 324'412           |             |             |             |             |             | 324'412      |
| Democratic Republic<br>of the Congo | 1'623             | 2'864       |             |             |             |             | 4'487        |
| Denmark                             | 269'351           |             |             |             |             |             | 269'351      |
| Djibouti                            | 1'188             |             |             |             |             |             | 1'188        |
| Ecuador                             | 262'272           |             |             | 1'001       |             |             | 263'273      |
| El Salvador                         | 7'549             |             |             |             |             |             | 7'549        |
| Ethiopia                            |                   |             |             | 5'859       |             | 54'455      | 60'314       |
| France                              | 1'098'485         |             |             |             |             |             | 1'098'485    |
| Gabon                               | 1'082             |             |             |             |             |             | 1'082        |
| Germany                             | 1'700'000         |             |             |             |             |             | 1'700'000    |
| Greece                              |                   |             |             |             |             | 225'692     | 225'692      |
| Guinea                              | 3'174             |             |             |             |             |             | 3'174        |
| Guinea Bissau                       | 5'711             | 5'943       |             |             |             |             | 11'654       |
| Honduras                            | 7'441             |             |             |             |             |             | 7'441        |
| Hungary                             | 356'884           |             |             |             |             |             | 356'884      |
| Indonesia                           |                   |             |             |             | 12'312      |             | 12'312       |
| Italy                               | 7'112'811         |             |             |             |             |             | 7'112'811    |
| Kuwait                              |                   |             |             |             | 91'432      |             | 91'432       |
| Japan                               | 1'000'089         |             |             |             |             |             | 1'000'089    |
| Jordan                              | 92'342            |             |             |             |             |             | 92'342       |
| Kenya                               | 35'774            |             |             |             |             |             | 35'774       |
| Lithuania                           | 4'104             |             |             |             |             |             | 4'104        |
| Luxembourg                          | 9'522             |             |             |             |             |             | 9'522        |
| Malaysia                            | 94'721            |             |             |             |             |             | 94'721       |
| Mali                                | 5'627             |             |             |             |             |             | 5'627        |
| Mauritania                          | 26'053            |             |             |             |             |             | 26'053       |
| Mauritius                           | 93                |             |             |             |             |             | 93           |
| Mozambique                          | 37'818            |             |             |             |             |             | 37'818       |

| <i>State Party</i>                              | <i>Up to 2004</i> | <i>2005</i> | <i>2006</i> | <i>2007</i> | <i>2008</i> | <i>2009</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|---|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Namibia   | 4'936             |             |             |             |             |             | 4'936        |
| Netherlands                                     | 260'510           |             |             |             |             |             | 260'510      |
| Nicaragua                                       | 133'435           |             |             |             |             |             | 133'435      |
| Niger   | 113               |             |             |             | 1'772       |             | 1'885        |
| Norway  | 160'000           |             |             |             |             |             | 160'000      |
| Peru  | 338'356           |             |             |             |             |             | 338'356      |
| Portugal  | 271'967           |             |             |             |             |             | 271'967      |
| Republic of Moldova                             | 12'892            |             |             |             |             |             | 12'892       |
| Romania   | 1'075'074         |             |             |             |             |             | 1'075'074    |
| Serbia  |                   |             |             | 1'404'819   |             |             | 1'404'819    |
| Sierra Leone                                    | 956               |             |             |             |             |             | 956          |
| Slovakia  | 185'579           |             |             |             |             |             | 185'579      |
| Slovenia  | 168'899           |             |             |             |             |             | 168'899      |
| South Africa                                    | 312'089           |             |             |             |             |             | 312'089      |
| Spain   | 849'365           |             |             |             |             |             | 849'365      |
| Sudan   |                   |             |             | 4'488       | 6'078       |             | 10'566       |
| Suriname  | 146               |             |             |             |             |             | 146          |
| Sweden  | 2'663'149         |             |             |             |             |             | 2'663'149    |
| Switzerland                                     | 3'850'212         |             |             |             |             |             | 3'850'212    |
| Tajikistan                                      | 3'029             |             |             |             |             |             | 3'029        |
| Tanzania  | 22'841            |             |             |             |             |             | 22'841       |
| Thailand  | 335'848           |             |             |             |             |             | 335'848      |
| The former Yugoslav<br>Republic of<br>Macedonia | 38'921            |             |             |             |             |             | 38'921       |
| Tunisia   | 17'575            |             |             |             |             |             | 17'575       |
| Turkey  |                   |             | 94'111      | 250'048     | 913'788     |             | 1'257'947    |
| Turkmenistan                                    | 6'631'771         |             |             |             |             |             | 6'631'771    |
| Uganda  | 6'383             |             |             |             | 120         |             | 6'503        |
| Ukraine   | 756'216           |             |             |             |             |             | 756'216      |
| United Kingdom of                               | 2'401'324         |             |             |             |             |             | 2'401'324    |

| <i>State Party</i>                 | <i>Up to 2004</i> | <i>2005</i> | <i>2006</i> | <i>2007</i> | <i>2008</i> | <i>2009</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Great Britain and Northern Ireland |                   |             |             |             |             |             |              |
| Uruguay                            | 1'811             |             |             |             |             |             | 1'811        |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) | 47'189            |             |             |             |             |             | 47'189       |
| Yemen                              | 78'000            |             |             |             |             |             | 78'000       |
| Zambia                             | 3'345             |             |             |             |             |             | 3'345        |
| Zimbabwe                           | 4'092             |             |             |             |             |             | 4'092        |
| Total                              | 37'931'556        | 354'212     | 979'427     | 1'793'826   | 1'026'166   | 284'147     | 42'369'334   |

\* Until 2004, Bosnia and Herzegovina reported a total of 460,925 anti-personnel mines destroyed in its Article 7 report and in 2005 it indicated that 461,634 anti-personnel mines had been destroyed.

**Table 2: Stockpiled anti-personnel mines reported by the States Parties that remain to be destroyed**

| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Mines to be destroyed<sup>1</sup></i> |
|--------------------|--|
| Belarus            | 3'371'984                                |
| Greece             | 1'340'570                                |
| Turkey             | 956,761                                  |
| Ukraine            | 6'099'468                                |
| Total              | 11'768'783                               |

<sup>1</sup> Sources: Article 7 reports submitted in 2009, statements made by the States Parties during the May 2009 meeting of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction and other information furnished by States Parties.

## Appendix IV

### Suggested outline for preparing Article 5 extension requests

#### I. Executive Summary

This could be 2-5 pages long, summarising the essential details required in accordance with Article 5, paragraph 4 and containing any other essential information which the requesting State Party would want to quickly and efficiently communicate.

#### II. Detailed Narrative

1. Origins of the Article 5 implementation challenge
2. Nature and extent of the original Article 5 challenge: quantitative aspects
3. Nature and extent of the original Article 5 challenge: qualitative aspects
4. Methods used to identify areas containing AP mines and reasons for suspecting the presence of AP mines in other areas
5. National demining structures
6. Nature and extent of progress made: quantitative aspects
7. Nature and extent of progress made: qualitative aspects
8. Methods & standards used to release areas known or suspected to contain AP mines
9. Methods & standards of controlling and assuring quality
10. Efforts undertaken to ensure the effective exclusion of civilians from mined areas
11. Resources made available to support progress made to date
12. Circumstances that impede compliance in a 10 year period
13. Humanitarian, economic, social and environmental implications
14. Nature and extent of the remaining Article 5 challenge: quantitative aspects
15. Nature and extent of the remaining Article 5 challenge: qualitative aspects
16. Amount of time requested and a rationale for this amount of time
17. Detailed work plan for the period of the requested extension
  - If necessary, what survey activities will take place when to determine the actual location, size and other characteristics of mined areas?
  - How much will be released during each year of the extension period? (e.g., How much area? How many areas? Which areas? How will priorities be established?)
  - What demining, survey and other land release methods and what standards applied?
  - What is the annual cost and for what?
  - What are the expected sources of funding / other resources to implement the plan?
  - What assumptions are made regarding the realisation of the plan?
  - What are potential risk factors that may affect realisation of the plan?
18. Institutional, human resource and material capacity

- What is available?
- What institutions/structures will be established, and what changes to existing ones will be made, to realise the plan?

**III: Annexes**

- Map(s)
- List of abbreviations / acronyms
- Glossary
- Tables, possibly modified or replicated from the voluntary template adopted in November 2007, for example, listing all mined areas as well as their size, location, status and other characteristics.

**IV. Other considerations:**

- Include a cover page containing the date of the document.
- Include contact information for an individual who can answer questions about the information contained in the extension request.

## Appendix V

### Progress in the implementation of Article 5

| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel were known or were suspected to be emplaced</i>   | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel are known or are suspected to be emplaced</i>   | <i>Plan/timeframe for completion of implementation</i>   |
|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Afghanistan        | In 2004, Afghanistan estimated that there were approximately 788.7 square kilometres of land contaminated by mines and / or UXO in 206 districts of 31 provinces.          | In 2009, Afghanistan reported that 234.89 square kilometres of areas containing mines and 394.07 square kilometres of areas suspected to contain mines remained. |  |
| Algeria            | In 2005, Algeria reported that 56.76 square kilometres containing 3,064,180 anti-personnel mines.  | In 2009, Algeria reported that 36.12 square kilometres had been cleared and handed over and that 379,243 mines had been destroyed.                               |  |
| Angola             | The report of the Landmine Impact Survey which was completed in Angola in 2007 identified 3,293 suspected hazardous areas totalling approximately 1,239 square kilometres. | In 2008, Angola reported that 895,586,695 square metres remained to be addressed.  |  |
| Argentina          | In its extension request, Argentina reported 9 areas containing mines divided in 117 minefields amounting to 13.12 square kilometres.                                      | In its extension request, Argentina reported that the 9 areas containing mines divided in 117 minefields amounting to 13.12 square kilometres remained.          | In its extension request, Argentina reported that it has a "schematic plan" to clear the 117 minefields by 1 March 2020. |

| <i>State Party</i>     | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel were known or were suspected to be emplaced</i>  | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel are known or are suspected to be emplaced</i>   | <i>Plan/timeframe for completion of implementation</i>   |
|------------------------|---|--|--|
| Bhutan                 | In 2007, Bhutan reported 50 MNM-14 anti-personnel mines and 12 M-16 anti-personnel mines that were laid on the track in an area called Gobarkunda and that 41 M-16 anti-personnel mines were laid on five tracks leading to the camps in Nganglam Sub-District. |  |  |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | In 2004, Bosnia and Herzegovina reported approximately 2,000 square kilometres suspected to contain mines.  | In 2004, Bosnia and Herzegovina reported 1,573 square kilometres suspected to contain mines.   | In its extension request, Bosnia and Herzegovina indicated that it would complete implementation of Article 5 by 1 March 2009  |
| Burundi                | Burundi has indicated that its original challenge amounted to 234 suspected areas.  | In 2009, Burundi reported that of the original 234 areas, 2 areas remain to be cleared and 58 additional areas have been identified. |  |
| Cambodia               | A Level One Survey completed in 2002 identified 4,544 square kilometres of suspected hazardous area.  | In its extension request, Cambodia projects that 648.8 square kilometres remain mine affected and will need to be addressed.         | It its extension request, Cambodia has indicated that a 38 percent increase in financial resources will be necessary to complete implementation by 1 January 2020.   |
| Chad                   | In 2004, Chad reported 417 areas suspected to contain mines totalling 1,081 square kilometres.  | In 2009, Chad reported areas suspected to contain mines totalling 678 square kilometres.   | In its extension request, Chad indicated that it would resubmit a request to the States Parties in 2010 in which it would detail, with greater precision, the remaining implementation challenge and a time frame for addressing it. |

| <i>State Party</i>               | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel were known or were suspected to be emplaced</i>   | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel are known or are suspected to be emplaced</i>                  | <i>Plan/timeframe for completion of implementation</i>  |
|----------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Chile                            | In 2004, Chile reported 114,830 emplaced mines in 208 minefields located in 26 areas.  | In 2009, Chile reported that 164 minefields remain to be cleared.                               | Chile has established a humanitarian demining plan for 2008-2016, which, however, does not imply that 2016 is the end date for implementation.  |
| Colombia                         | In 2008, Colombia has reported 34 minefields around military bases and an additional 8,137 areas that have been recorded as dangerous.                     | In 2009, Colombia reported that 22 of the 34 minefields around military bases had been cleared. | In 2009, Colombia reported that it would complete clearance of minefields around its military bases by 1 March 2011 and that it would submit an extension request in 2010 to address other remaining dangerous areas. |
| Congo                            | In 2004, Congo reported that areas in the south-west of the country might be mined.  | In 2009, Congo reported one area suspected to be mined along its border with Angola.            |   |
| Croatia                          | In 2004, Croatia reported that an estimated 1,350 square kilometres were suspected to contain mines, with mines found in 14 of the 21 counties of Croatia. | In 2009, Croatia reported that 954.5 square kilometres suspected to contain mines remain.       | It its extension request, Croatia indicated that it would complete implementation of Article 5 by 1 March 2019.   |
| Cyprus                           | In 2004, Cyprus reported 23 minefields containing 5,000 anti-personnel mines.  | In 2009, Cyprus reported 10 minefields containing 3,224 anti-personnel mines.                   | Cyprus's national plan foresees completion by 1 July 2013.  |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | In 2004, the Democratic Republic of the Congo reported that suspected mined areas affect 165 villages in 11 provinces.                                     |   |   |

| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel were known or were suspected to be emplaced</i>  | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel are known or are suspected to be emplaced</i>                             | <i>Plan/timeframe for completion of implementation</i>  |
|--------------------|---|--|---|
| Denmark            | It its extension request, Denmark reported that its original implementation challenge amounted to 128 mined areas totalling 2,950,000 square metres.  | In 2009, Denmark reported that 1,246,000 square metres remain to be addressed.                             | In its extension request, Denmark indicated that it would resubmit a request to the States Parties in 2010 in which it would detail, with greater precision, the remaining implementation challenge and a time frame for addressing it. |
| Ecuador            | It its extension request, Ecuador reported that its original implementation challenge amounted to 128 mined areas totalling 621,034.50 square metres.   | In 2009, Ecuador reported that 76 mined areas covering 594,312.46 square metres remained.                  | In its extension request, submitted in 2008, Ecuador indicated that it would complete implementation of Article 5 by 1 September 2017.  |
| Eritrea            | The report of the Landmine Impact Survey which was completed in Eritrea in 2004 indicated that there were 752 areas suspected to contain mines.   | In 2009, Eritrea reported 702 mined areas pending technical survey.  |   |
| Ethiopia           | The report of the Landmine Impact Survey which was completed in Ethiopia in 2004 indicated that there were 1,916 suspect hazard areas.  | In 2009, Ethiopia reported 190 areas remaining, including 164 confirmed and 48 suspected to contain mines. |   |
| Gambia             | The Gambia has been affected by the conflict situation in the Southern Casamance region of Senegal. In 2007, there were mine incidents which claimed the lives of two small boys from a border village. |  |   |

| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel were known or were suspected to be emplaced</i>   | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel are known or are suspected to be emplaced</i>   | <i>Plan/timeframe for completion of implementation</i>  |
|--------------------|--|--|---|
| Guinea Bissau      | In 2004, Guinea Bissau reported 17 suspected minefields in Bissau and its surroundings and that other suspected areas exist in the east and in the northern region bordering Senegal.                                | In 2009, Guinea Bissau reported that 12 minefields with a total area of 2,236,560 square metres remain.  |   |
| Iraq               | The report of the Landmine Impact Survey which was completed in Iraq in 2006 recorded 3,673 suspected hazardous areas totalling 1,730 square kilometres.   |  |   |
| Jordan             | In 2004, Jordan reported that its original mine clearance challenge going back to 1993 included 60 million square metres of mined area containing approximately 309,000 emplaced mines.                              | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Jordan indicated that approximately 10 million square metres containing close to 136,000 landmines remained to be addressed. | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Jordan indicated that it would complete implementation by 1 May 2012.       |
| Mauritania         | The report of the Landmine Impact Survey which was completed in Mauritania in 2006 indicated that there were 88 square kilometres of contaminated area.  | In 2009, Mauritania reported that there 15 square kilometres remained to be addressed.   | In 2009, Mauritania indicated that it would submit a request for an extension in 2010.                                  |
| Mozambique         | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Mozambique indicated that at Landmine Impact Survey concluded in 2001 recorded 1,374 areas suspected to contain anti-personnel mines totalling 561.69 square kilometres. | In 2009, Mozambique reported that 361 mined areas totalling 10,489,453 square metres remained.   | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Mozambique indicated that it would complete implementation by 1 March 2014. |

| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel were known or were suspected to be emplaced</i>  | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel are known or are suspected to be emplaced</i> | <i>Plan/timeframe for completion of implementation</i>   |
|--------------------|---|--|--|
| Nicaragua          | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Nicaragua reported that its original implementation challenge totalled 1,005 “targets”. | In 2009, Nicaragua reported that 10 targets remain.                            | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Nicaragua indicated that it would complete implementation by 1 May 2010.   |
| Nigeria            | Nigeria reported areas suspected to contain anti-personnel mines in the eastern part of the country.                                |  | Nigeria indicated that it was taking steps to proceed with a technical assessment to determine if there were indeed anti-personnel mines in the suspected areas. If the presence of anti-personnel mines is confirmed by the assessment, Nigeria will act in accordance with Article 5, paragraph 1. |

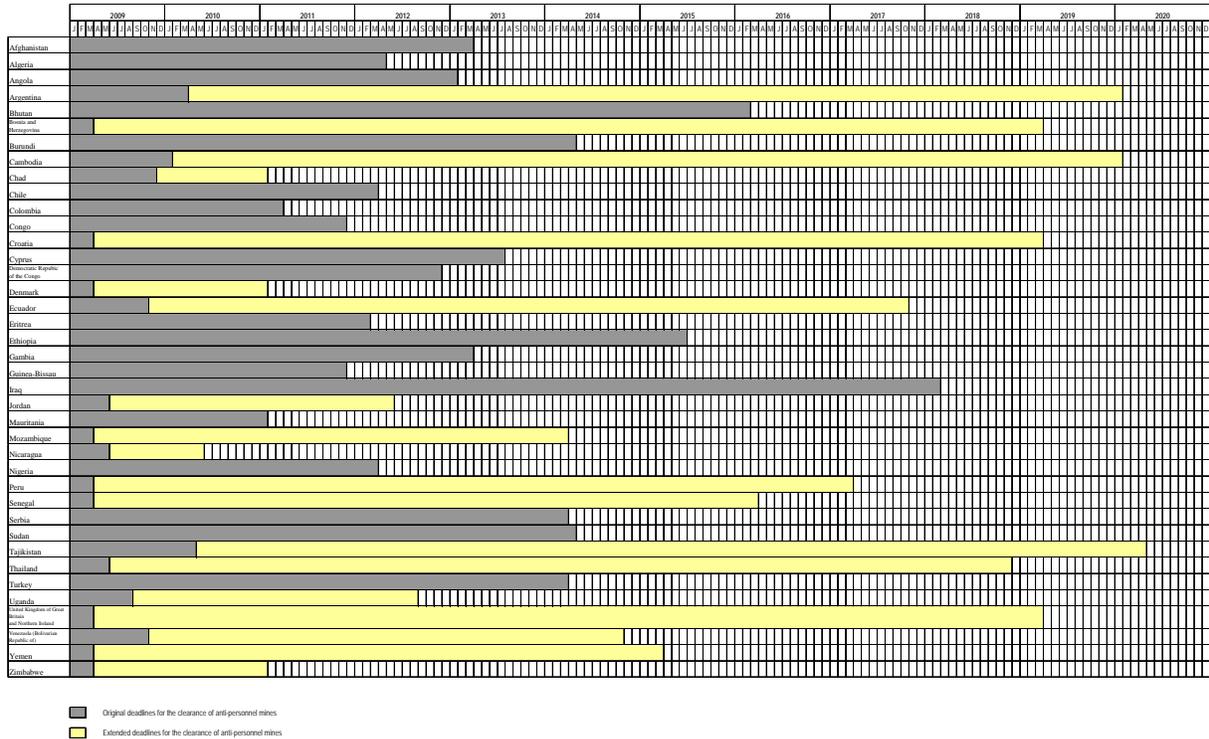
| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel were known or were suspected to be emplaced</i>  | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel are known or are suspected to be emplaced</i>   | <i>Plan/timeframe for completion of implementation</i>   |
|--------------------|---|--|--|
| Peru               | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Peru indicated that its original implementation challenge included 2,518 areas totalling 1,811,736 square metres around high tension electrical towers, 3 areas totalling 11,167 square meters around maximum security prisons, 2 police bases suspected of containing mines with an unknown total area, a thermo electrical power plant with a total area of 13,000 square metres, 3 transmission antennas and 1 substation with an unknown total affected area, and, 69 areas suspected of containing anti-personnel mines totalling 512,329.50 square meters along Peru's border with Ecuador. | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Peru indicated that 393 infrastructure sites remained to be addressed totalling 172,567 square metres including 384 towers, 3 transmission antennas, 1 electrical substation, 3 maximum security prisons and 2 police bases. In addition, 35 sites along Peru's border with Ecuador remained totalling approximately 189,665.52 square meters. | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Peru indicated that it would complete implementation by 1 March 2017.    |
| Senegal            | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Senegal indicated that its original implementation challenge amounted to 149 areas suspected to contain anti-personnel mines.   | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Senegal indicated that 147 suspected hazardous areas remained, including 83 areas (approximately 11,175,359 square metres), 47 areas (73.45 linear kilometres of roads or paths) and 17 areas, the estimated size of which is unknown.   | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Senegal indicated that it would complete implementation by 1 March 2016. |

| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel were known or were suspected to be emplaced</i>   | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel are known or are suspected to be emplaced</i>   | <i>Plan/timeframe for completion of implementation</i>  |
|--------------------|--|--|---|
| Serbia             | In 2004, Serbia reported that its implementation challenge amounted to approximately 6,000,000 square metres of suspected hazardous area.                                      | In 2009, Serbia reported that 5 projects totalling approximately 973,420 square metres remain to be addressed.   | In 2009, Serbia indicated that it would complete implementation by the end of the year.   |
| Sudan              | In 2009, Sudan reported that its original implementation challenge amounted to 4,475 dangerous areas.  | In 2009, Sudan reported that 1,665 dangerous areas remain to be addressed.   |   |
| Tajikistan         | In its extension request submitted in 2009, Tajikistan indicated that its original implementation challenge amounted to 50,668,272 square metres.                              | In its extension request submitted in 2009, Tajikistan indicated as of December 2008, a total of 14,849,631 square metres remained to be addressed.                                    | In its extension request submitted in 2009, Tajikistan indicated that it would complete implementation of Article 5 by 1 April 2020.  |
| Thailand           | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Thailand indicated that its original implementation challenge amounted to 934 suspected areas totalling 2,556.7 square kilometres. | In 2009, Thailand reported that the estimated amount of mined area remaining totalled 547.9 square kilometres.   | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Thailand indicated that it would complete implementation of Article 5 by 1 November 2018. |
| Turkey             | In 2005, Turkey reported 919,855 emplaced anti-personnel mines.  | In 2008, Turkey reported that 817,397 emplaced anti-personnel mines remain.  | In 2009, Turkey indicated that it would spare no effort to meet its 1 March 2014 deadline   |
| Uganda             | In its extension request submitted in 2009, Uganda indicated that its original challenge amounted to 427 suspected hazardous areas.  | In its extension request submitted in 2009, Uganda indicated that one of the 427 originally identified areas remained as did one additional area for a total of 270,000 square metres. | In its extension request submitted in 2009, Uganda indicated that it would complete implementation of Article 5 by 1 August 2012.     |

| <i>State Party</i>                                   | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel were known or were suspected to be emplaced</i>   | <i>Areas in which anti-personnel are known or are suspected to be emplaced</i>   | <i>Plan/timeframe for completion of implementation</i>   |
|--|--|--|--|
| United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland | In its extension request submitted in 2008, the United Kingdom reported that its original challenge amounted to 117 mined areas (including 4 areas that are only suspected of containing mines) totalling over 13 square kilometres. | In 2009, the United Kingdom reported that the original 117 areas remained with efforts underway which would result in clearance starting in three areas. | In 2008, the United Kingdom was granted an extension until 1 March 2019.   |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)                   | In 2004, Venezuela reported that its implementation challenge amounted to 13 minefields distributed in 6 naval posts, containing with 1,073 mines.   | In 2009, Venezuela reported that the original 13 minefields distributed in 6 naval posts remained.   | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Venezuela indicated that it would complete implementation of Article 5 by 1 October 2014.  |
| Yemen  | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Yemen indicated that a total of 1,088 areas amounting to 923,332,281 square metres were originally of concern.   | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Yemen indicated that 213,228,351 square metres remained to be released.                                      | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Yemen indicated that it would complete implementation of Article 5 by 1 March 2015.  |
| Zimbabwe   | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Zimbabwe reported that its original challenge amounted to 1,119 square kilometres of mined area.   | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Zimbabwe reported that 813.3 square kilometres of contaminated land remained.                                | In its extension request submitted in 2008, Zimbabwe indicated that it would resubmit a request to the States Parties in 2010 in which it would detail, with greater precision, the remaining implementation challenge and a time frame for addressing it. |

## Appendix VI:

### Deadlines for implementing Article 5, paragraph 1



## Appendix VII

### Numbers of new mine casualties 2004-2008<sup>1</sup>

| State Party  | 2004         | 2005         | 2006         | 2007         | 2008         | Total         |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Afghanistan  | 911          | 1,122        | 906          | 781          | 831          | 4,551         |
| Albania  | 25           | 2            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 27            |
| Algeria  |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Angola   |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Argentina  | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0             |
| Bhutan   |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                               |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Burundi  | 48           | 51           | 50           | 48           | 63           | 260           |
| Cambodia   | 898          | 875          | 450          | 352          | 269          | 2,844         |
| Chad   |              |              | 140          | 188          | 114          | 442           |
| Chile  |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Colombia   | 277          | 371          | 381          | 217          | 273          | 1,519         |
| Congo  |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Croatia  | 16           | 13           | 10           | 8            | 7            | 54            |
| Cyprus   |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo                     | 63           | 60           | 41           | 28           | 11           | 203           |
| Denmark  | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0             |
| Ecuador  | 3            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 3             |
| Eritrea  |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Ethiopia   |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Greece   |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Guinea-Bissau  |              | 16           | 37           | 5            | 1            | 59            |
| Iraq*  | 201          | 73           | 27           | 60           | 73           | 434           |
| Jordan   | 5            | 5            | 0            | 2            | 8            | 20            |
| Mauritania   |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Mozambique   | 30           | 57           | 30           | 24           |              | 141           |
| Nicaragua  | 7            | 14           | 6            | 12           | 2            | 41            |
| Nigeria  |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Peru   | 0            | 3            | 2            | 5            | 0            | 10            |
| Rwanda   | 11           | 10           | 12           | 9            | 7            | 49            |
| Senegal  | 17           | 10           | 13           | 1            | 1            | 42            |
| Serbia   |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Sudan  |              | 116          | 140          | 88           | 63           | 407           |
| Tajikistan   | 19           | 20           | 21           | 20           | 13           | 93            |
| Thailand   | 23           | 18           | 16           | 12           | 5            | 74            |
| Tunisia  |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Turkey   |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Uganda   |              |              | 62           | 4            | 17           | 83            |
| United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            | 0            |               |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)                   |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Yemen  | 18           | 23           | 18           | 23           |              | 82            |
| Zambia   |              |              |              |              |              |               |
| Zimbabwe   |              | 12           | 5            | 8            | 3            | 28            |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>2,572</b> | <b>2,871</b> | <b>2,367</b> | <b>1,895</b> | <b>1,761</b> | <b>11,466</b> |

\*Figures for Iraq only include the northern part of the country

<sup>1</sup> This table contains a list of those States Parties which, in 2009, were still in the process of implementing Article 5 of the Convention and the number of new civilian landmine casualties reported by each from 2004 to 2008. Numbers reported may include individuals killed or injured by explosive remnants of war other than anti-personnel mines.

## Appendix VIII

### Resources in support of the aims of the Convention

**Table 1: International resources generated in support of national efforts to implement Article 5, 2004-2008, by beneficiary State (in US\$)**

| State                            | 2004          | 2005         | 2006         | 2007         | 2008         | Total         |
|----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Afghanistan                      | \$47,135,825  | \$67,669,870 | \$57,452,066 | \$81,660,161 | \$88,971,619 | \$342,889,541 |
| Albania                          | \$4,839,093   | \$7,430,342  | \$4,889,543  | \$2,969,916  | \$5,696,425  | \$25,825,319  |
| Algeria                          |               | \$128,346    | \$253,546    | \$740,548    | \$0          | \$1,122,440   |
| Angola                           | \$24,052,789  | \$32,698,179 | \$46,441,404 | \$19,780,794 | \$21,324,622 | \$144,297,788 |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina           | \$12,083,552  | \$19,422,097 | \$21,703,872 | \$23,306,858 | \$32,713,775 | \$109,230,153 |
| Burundi                          | \$974,182     | \$1,252,500  | \$2,978,822  | \$1,057,671  | \$1,094,632  | \$7,357,807   |
| Cambodia                         | \$41,700,000  | \$25,600,000 | \$29,600,000 | \$30,800,000 | \$24,879,466 | \$152,579,466 |
| Chad                             | \$1,720,138   | \$2,891,959  | \$2,936,567  | \$625,686    | \$469,070    | \$8,643,420   |
| Chile                            | \$236,035     | \$416,982    | \$4,152,285  | \$4,330,549  | \$4,042,492  | \$13,178,343  |
| Colombia                         | \$3,718,930   | \$1,129,914  | \$1,156,662  | \$8,381,039  | \$2,367,032  | \$16,753,577  |
| Congo                            |               |              |              |              | \$0          |               |
| Croatia                          | \$9,775,900   | \$11,253,974 | \$8,316,449  | \$6,832,279  | \$6,298,304  | \$42,476,905  |
| Cyprus                           | \$3,600,000   | \$5,000,000  | \$1,260,000  | \$5,484,400  | \$0          | \$15,344,400  |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | \$6,119       | \$4,030,783  | \$4,421,068  | \$5,909,017  | \$12,407,357 | \$26,774,344  |
| Ecuador                          | \$881,942     | \$311,632    | \$632,668    | \$326,836    |              | \$2,153,078   |
| Eritrea                          | \$16,085,331  | \$4,853,714  | \$690,630    |              | \$338,698    | \$21,968,373  |
| Ethiopia                         | \$2,658,900   | \$2,496,557  | \$7,434,540  | \$5,655,048  | \$18,300,175 | \$36,545,220  |
| Guinea-Bissau                    | \$898,902     | \$992,289    | \$888,747    | \$4,652,635  | \$1,694,882  | \$9,127,455   |
| Iraq                             | \$56,794,344  | \$24,260,063 | \$23,996,756 | \$25,705,404 | \$26,592,974 | \$157,349,541 |
| Jordan                           | \$943,000     | \$1,985,764  | \$5,578,837  | \$5,654,478  | \$7,096,618  | \$21,258,697  |
| Mauritania                       | \$390,000     | \$116,000    | \$711,000    | \$658,000    | \$200,000    | \$2,075,000   |
| Mozambique                       | \$14,400,000  | \$15,000,000 | \$6,200,000  | \$2,700,000  |              | \$38,300,000  |
| Nicaragua                        | \$5,000,000   | \$5,000,000  | \$5,000,000  | \$5,500,000  |              | \$20,500,000  |
| Peru                             | \$559,305     |              | \$495,321    | \$234,230    | \$812,422    | \$2,101,278   |
| Rwanda                           | \$11,439      |              | \$476,000    |              | \$441,780    | \$929,219     |
| Senegal                          | \$396,244     | \$600,952    | \$749,657    | \$6,788,027  |              | \$8,534,880   |
| Serbia                           | \$1,191,118   | \$1,450,351  | \$2,014,257  | \$1,719,039  | \$2,031,529  | \$8,406,294   |
| Sudan                            | \$17,120,609  | \$61,165,836 | \$29,981,082 | \$28,877,327 | \$38,341,507 | \$175,486,361 |
| Tajikistan                       | \$1,997,182   | \$1,220,112  | \$2,547,782  | \$1,378,221  | \$2,134,794  | \$9,278,091   |
| Thailand                         | \$750,000     | \$900,000    | \$862,817    | \$806,794    | \$1,040,957  | \$4,360,568   |
| Uganda                           |               | \$702,427    | \$1,525,918  | \$2,123,516  | \$823,916    | \$5,175,778   |
| Yemen                            | \$3,401,640   | \$1,844,000  | \$2,068,820  | \$1,884,806  | \$1,331,000  | \$10,530,266  |
| Zambia                           |               | \$83,366     | \$250,000    | \$529,850    |              | \$863,216     |
| Zimbabwe                         | \$0           | \$0          | \$0          | \$0          | \$0          | \$0           |
| Total                            | \$273'322'519 | 301'908'009  | 277'667'115  | 287'073'129  | 291'458'372  | 1'431'429'143 |

**Table 2: International resources generated in support of national efforts to implement Article 5, 2004-2008, by contributing State<sup>1</sup>**

| Year          | 2004          | 2005          | 2006          | 2007          | 2008          | Total           |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Donor Funding | \$399'000'000 | \$376'000'000 | \$475'000'000 | \$430'000'000 | \$517'800'000 | \$2'197'800'000 |

**Table 3: Beneficiaries of funds that have flowed through the UN Voluntary Trust Fund for Assistance in Mine Action, 2004-2008<sup>2</sup>**

|   | 2004         | 2005         | 2006         | 2007         | 2008          | Totals        |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Afghanistan                               | \$28,844,086 | \$29,331,113 | \$29,709,234 | \$23,710,165 | \$69,924,486  | \$181,519,084 |
| Angola                                    | \$648,999    | \$94,202     | \$1,706      |              |               | \$744,907     |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                    |              | \$376,199    |              |              |               | \$376,199     |
| Burundi                                   | \$24,999     | \$125,990    | \$864,029    | \$58,358     |               | \$1,073,376   |
| Cambodia                                  |              | \$149,877    | \$65,619     | \$53,812     | \$299,443     | \$568,751     |
| Chad                                      |              | \$400,000    |              |              | \$284,305     | \$684,305     |
| Croatia                                   |              | \$85,094     |              |              |               | \$85,094      |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo          | \$723,848    | \$743,022    | \$1,395,257  | \$928,626    | \$1,659,487   | \$5,450,240   |
| Eritrea & Ethiopia                        | \$506,031    | \$1,348,980  | \$114,101    | \$497,094    | \$202,173     | \$2,668,379   |
| Iraq                                      |              |              |              |              | \$60,593      | \$60,593      |
| The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia |              | \$78,016     |              |              |               | \$78,016      |
| Mozambique                                |              | \$506,277    |              |              |               | \$506,277     |
| Nicaragua                                 |              | \$152,142    |              |              |               | \$152,142     |
| Serbia                                    |              |              |              |              | 269773        | \$269,773     |
| Sudan                                     | \$7,657,468  | \$17,404,410 | \$9,994,736  | \$17,428,680 | \$13,911,688  | \$66,396,982  |
| Uganda                                    |              |              | \$6,361      |              | \$6,763       | \$13,124      |
| Yemen                                     |              | \$423,413    |              |              |               | \$423,413     |
| Zambia                                    |              |              |              |              | \$76,937      | \$76,937      |
| States / entities not parties             | \$4,377,311  | \$12,084,417 | \$8,912,179  | \$16,155,852 | \$18,472,204  | \$60,001,963  |
| Headquarters / core                       | \$3,290,535  | \$3,800,639  | \$3,607,974  | \$4,210,306  | \$4,028,733   | \$18,938,187  |
| Other activities                          | \$479,586    | \$1,275,375  | \$861,127    | \$561,066    | \$565,658     | \$3,742,812   |
| Totals                                    | \$46,552,863 | \$68,379,166 | \$55,532,323 | \$63,603,959 | \$109,762,243 | \$343,830,554 |

<sup>1</sup> Source: ICBL Landmine Monitor annual reports, not adjusted for inflation.

<sup>2</sup> Source: Year-specific expenditures contained in UNMAS annual reports, not adjusted for inflation.

**Table 4: Beneficiaries of funds that have flowed for mine action through the UNDP's Crisis Prevention and Recovery Thematic Trust Fund, 2004-2008<sup>3</sup>**

|                               | 2004         | 2005         | 2006         | 2007         | 2008         | Totals        |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Afghanistan                   | \$12,933,505 | \$15,716,231 | \$7,532,381  | \$1,605,766  | \$50,000     | \$37,837,883  |
| Albania                       | \$78,904     | \$318,169    | \$189,952    | \$200,155    | \$852,001    | \$1,639,181   |
| Algeria                       |              |              |              | \$247,603    | \$57,150     | \$304,753     |
| Angola                        | \$4,102,162  | \$669,834    | \$564,464    | \$101,874    |              | \$5,438,334   |
| Bangladesh                    | \$146,200    | \$98,568     |              |              |              | \$244,768     |
| Belarus                       |              |              | \$7,598      |              |              | \$7,598       |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina        | \$838,196    | \$1,119,749  | \$924,317    | \$653,066    | \$539,529    | \$4,074,857   |
| Burundi                       |              |              | \$294,762    | \$349,546    | \$224,657    | \$868,965     |
| Cambodia                      | \$500,157    | \$224,873    | \$95,238     |              |              | \$820,268     |
| Chad                          | \$308,650    | \$232,008    |              | \$321,840    | \$1,241,670  | \$2,104,168   |
| Colombia                      | \$40,677     | \$80,888     | \$47,158     |              |              | \$168,723     |
| Croatia                       |              |              |              | \$19,048     | \$7,685      | \$26,733      |
| Eritrea                       | \$320,042    | \$293,376    |              | \$58,975     |              | \$672,393     |
| Ethiopia                      | \$403,839    | \$349,457    | \$1,126,455  | \$722,000    | \$647,699    | \$3,249,450   |
| Guinea-Bissau                 | \$1,691      | \$342,436    | \$196,029    | \$441,782    | \$340,742    | \$1,322,680   |
| Iraq                          |              |              |              | \$1,604,076  | \$2,041,582  | \$3,645,658   |
| Jordan                        | \$146,786    | \$279,423    | \$990,429    | \$400,129    | \$328,550    | \$2,145,317   |
| Malawi                        |              |              |              | \$150,000    | \$3,798      | \$153,798     |
| Mauritania                    | \$20,915     |              | \$200,568    | \$107,807    | \$18,759     | \$348,049     |
| Mozambique                    | \$781,995    |              | \$207,137    |              | \$25,643     | \$1,014,775   |
| Senegal                       |              | \$99,056     | \$238,071    | \$508,194    | \$237,529    | \$1,082,850   |
| Sudan                         | \$267,767    | \$235,734    | \$963,283    | \$2,339,259  | \$1,647,279  | \$5,453,322   |
| Tajikistan                    | \$342,518    | \$299,462    | \$778,209    | \$416,878    | \$593,267    | \$2,430,334   |
| Thailand                      | \$6,905      | \$208        |              |              |              | \$7,113       |
| Uganda                        |              | \$170,623    | \$725,512    | \$602,264    | \$426,438    | \$1,924,837   |
| Yemen                         | \$1,104,426  | \$588,307    | \$692,017    | \$696,686    | \$383,893    | \$3,465,329   |
| Zambia                        |              |              |              | \$351,742    | \$257,589    | \$609,331     |
| Zimbabwe                      |              |              |              | \$150,000    | \$66,148     | \$216,148     |
| States / entities not parties | \$2,805,486  | \$3,954,964  | \$4,243,273  | \$2,256,912  | \$2,937,609  | \$16,198,244  |
| Global                        | \$3,014,641  | \$2,124,032  | \$1,478,136  | \$3,708,625  | \$4,383,186  | \$14,708,620  |
| Totals                        | \$28,165,462 | \$27,197,398 | \$21,494,989 | \$18,014,227 | \$17,312,403 | \$112,184,479 |

<sup>3</sup> Source: UNDP, not adjusted for inflation.

**Table 5: Beneficiaries of funds for mine action from UN Peacekeeping Assessed Funds, 2004-2008<sup>4</sup>**

|                                  | 2004                | 2005                | 2006                | 2007                | 2008                | Totals               |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Chad                             |                     |                     |                     |                     | 2,303,112.00        | 2,303,112.00         |
| Burundi                          | 329,076.00          | 1,421,373.00        |                     |                     |                     | 1,750,449.00         |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | \$3,712,302         | \$2,825,185         | \$3,563,844         | \$3,250,863         | \$3,392,606         | \$16,744,800         |
| Eritrea & Ethiopia               | \$4,440,759         | \$7,073,346         | \$5,169,478         | \$6,764,375         | \$6,178,804         | \$29,626,762         |
| Sudan                            | \$1,821,778         | \$13,210,878        | \$17,638,566        | \$38,575,911        | \$53,015,347        | \$124,262,480        |
| States / entities not parties    | \$449,123           | \$635,869           | \$595,416           | \$2,296,381         | \$2,505,526         | \$6,482,315          |
| <b>Totals</b>                    | <b>\$10,753,038</b> | <b>\$25,166,651</b> | <b>\$26,967,304</b> | <b>\$50,887,530</b> | <b>\$67,395,395</b> | <b>\$181,169,918</b> |

**Table 6: Funds generated by leading actors for the care, rehabilitation and reintegration of landmine survivors and other persons with disabilities and for the advancement and guarantee of their rights, 2004 to 2008<sup>5</sup>**

|  | 2004                   | 2005                   | 2006                   | 2007                   | 2008                   | Total                   |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Handicap International Belgium             | \$9,637,761.36         | \$9,583,428.29         | \$8,181,998.72         | \$9,220,732.17         | \$12,059,344.89        | \$48,683,265.43         |
| Handicap International France              | \$2,599,772.10         | \$2,745,777.58         | \$6,812,928.72         | \$6,625,429.42         |                        | \$18,783,907.82         |
| Handicap International Luxembourg          | \$863,473.29           | \$676,685.19           | \$682,881.84           | \$1,006,388.04         | \$972,988.74           | \$4,202,417.10          |
| Handicap International Switzerland         | \$2,498,391.08         | \$2,366,514.93         | \$3,298,177.85         | \$4,944,751.46         | \$5,944,583.95         | \$19,052,419.27         |
| ICRC Special Appeal                        | \$12,708,068.07        | \$15,803,836.58        | \$14,291,413.98        | \$19,893,324.44        | \$23,557,692.31        | \$86,254,335.38         |
| ICRC Special Fund                          | \$3,369,000.00         | \$4,037,000.00         | \$4,352,000.00         | \$5,227,338.00         | \$4,798,813.00         | \$21,784,151.00         |
| Landmine Survivor Network / Survivor Corps | \$6,605,723.00         | \$7,052,771.00         | \$7,414,963.00         | \$6,972,685.00         | \$5,938,355.00         | \$33,984,497.00         |
| <b>Totals</b>                              | <b>\$38,282,188.90</b> | <b>\$42,266,013.57</b> | <b>\$45,034,364.11</b> | <b>\$53,890,648.53</b> | <b>\$53,271,777.89</b> | <b>\$232,744,993.00</b> |

<sup>4</sup>.Source: UNMAS annual reports, not adjusted for inflation.

<sup>5</sup>.Source: Reports provided by or made available by each actor. Note that figures for 2008 for Handicap International France were unable. Note that figures for Handicap International Luxembourg and Landmine Survivor Network/ Survivor Corps may include expenditures on other matters. Figures have not been adjusted for inflation.

## Appendix IX

### Transparency reports submitted 2005-2009

| <i>State Party</i>     | <i>2005</i> | <i>2006</i> | <i>2007</i> | <i>2008</i> | <i>2009</i> |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Afghanistan            | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Albania                | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Algeria                | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Andorra                | N           | N           | N           | N           | Y           |
| Angola                 | Y           | Y           | Y           | N           | N           |
| Antigua and Barbuda    | N           | N           | N           | N           | N           |
| Argentina              | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Australia              | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Austria                | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Bahamas                | Y           | N           | N           | N           | Y           |
| Bangladesh             | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Barbados               | N           | N           | N           | N           | N           |
| Belarus                | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Belgium                | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Belize                 | Y           | Y           | N           | N           | N           |
| Benin                  | N           | Y           | Y           | Y           | N           |
| Bhutan                 |             | N           | Y           | N           | N           |
| Bolivia                | Y           | Y           | N           | N           | N           |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Botswana               | N           | N           | N           | N           | N           |
| Brazil                 | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Brunei Darussalam      |             |             | Y           | N           | N           |
| Bulgaria               | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Burkina Faso           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | N           |
| Burundi                | Y           | Y           | N           | Y           | Y           |
| Cambodia               | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           | Y           |
| Cameroon               | Y           | N           | N           | N           | Y           |

| <i>State Party</i>               | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Canada                           | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Cape Verde                       | N    | N    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Central African Republic         | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Chad                             | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Chile                            | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Colombia                         | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Comoros                          | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Congo                            | Y    | Y    | Y    | N    | Y    |
| Cook Islands                     |      |      | Y    | N    | N    |
| Costa Rica                       | Y    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Côte d'Ivoire                    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Croatia                          | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Cyprus                           | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Czech Republic                   | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Denmark                          | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Djibouti                         | Y    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Dominica                         | Y    | N    | N    | Y    | N    |
| Dominican Republic               | N    | N    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Ecuador                          | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| El Salvador                      | Y    | Y    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Equatorial Guinea                | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Eritrea                          | Y    | N    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Estonia                          | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Ethiopia                         | N    | N    | N    | Y    | Y    |
| Fiji                             | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| France                           | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Gabon                            | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Gambia                           | N    | N    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Germany                          | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Ghana                            | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |

| <i>State Party</i> | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|--------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Greece             | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Grenada            | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Guatemala          | Y    | Y    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Guinea             | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Guinea-Bissau      | Y    | Y    | N    | Y    | Y    |
| Guyana             | N    | Y    | N    | N    | N    |
| Haiti              |      |      | N    | N    | Y    |
| Holy See           | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Honduras           | N    | Y    | Y    | N    | N    |
| Hungary            | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Iceland            | Y    | Y    | N    | Y    | N    |
| Indonesia          |      |      |      | Y    | Y    |
| Iraq               |      |      |      | Y    | Y    |
| Ireland            | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Italy              | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Jamaica            | Y    | N    | Y    | N    | N    |
| Japan              | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Jordan             | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Kenya              | N    | Y    | N    | Y    | N    |
| Kiribati           | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Kuwait             |      |      |      | Y    | Y    |
| Latvia             |      | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Lesotho            | N    | Y    | N    | N    | N    |
| Liberia            | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Liechtenstein      | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Lithuania          | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Luxembourg         | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | N    |
| Madagascar         | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | N    |
| Malawi             | Y    | N    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Malaysia           | Y    | Y    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Maldives           | N    | Y    | N    | N    | N    |
| Mali               | Y    | N    | N    | N    | N    |

| <i>State Party</i>               | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Malta                            | Y    | Y    | N    | Y    | Y    |
| Mauritania                       | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Mauritius                        | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | N    |
| Mexico                           | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Monaco                           | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Montenegro                       |      |      | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Mozambique                       | Y    | Y    | Y    | N    | Y    |
| Namibia                          | Y    | Y    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Nauru                            | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Netherlands                      | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| New Zealand                      | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Nicaragua                        | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Niger                            | Y    | Y    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Nigeria                          | Y    | Y    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Niue                             | N    | N    | Y    | N    | N    |
| Norway                           | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Palau                            |      |      |      | Y    | Y    |
| Panama                           | N    | N    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Papua New Guinea                 | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Paraguay                         | N    | Y    | Y    | N    | N    |
| Peru                             | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Philippines                      | Y    | Y    | Y    | N    | N    |
| Portugal                         | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Qatar                            | N    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Republic of Moldova              | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Romania                          | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Rwanda                           | Y    | Y    | N    | Y    | N    |
| Saint Kitts and Nevis            | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Saint Lucia                      | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Saint Vincent and the Grenadines | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Samoa                            | N    | N    | Y    | Y    | N    |
| San Marino                       | Y    | N    | Y    | Y    | Y    |

| <i>State Party</i>                                   | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|
| Sao Tome and Principe                                | N    | N    | Y    | N    | N    |
| Senegal  | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Serbia   | Y    | Y    | N    | Y    | Y    |
| Seychelles   | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | N    |
| Sierra Leone   | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Slovakia   | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Slovenia   | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Solomon islands                                      | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| South Africa   | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Spain  | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Sudan  | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Suriname   | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | N    |
| Swaziland  | N    | Y    | N    | N    | N    |
| Sweden   | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Switzerland  | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Tajikistan   | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Tanzania   | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Thailand   | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia            | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Timor-Leste  | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Togo   | N    | N    | N    | N    | N    |
| Trinidad and Tobago                                  | N    | Y    | N    | N    | Y    |
| Tunisia  | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Turkey   | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Turkmenistan   | Y    | Y    | N    | N    | N    |
| Uganda   | Y    | N    | N    | Y    | Y    |
| Ukraine  |      | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Uruguay  | N    | N    | N    | Y    | N    |

| <i>State Party</i>                 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Vanuatu                            |      | Y    | N    | Y    | N    |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Yemen                              | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Zambia                             | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |
| Zimbabwe                           | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    | Y    |

## Appendix X

### Mines retained for purposes permitted by Article 3 of the Convention

**Table 1: Anti-personnel mines reported retained by the States Parties for reasons permitted under Article 3 of the Convention**

| <i>State Party</i>       | <i>1999</i> | <i>2000</i> | <i>2001</i> | <i>2002</i> | <i>2003</i> | <i>2004</i> | <i>2005</i> | <i>2006</i> | <i>2007</i> | <i>2008</i> | <i>2009</i> |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Afghanistan <sup>1</sup> |             |             |             |             |             |             | 1076        | 1887        | 2692        | 2680        | 2618        |
| Albania                  |             |             |             | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0           |             | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Algeria                  |             |             |             |             | 15030       |             | 15030       | 15030       | 15030       | 15030       | 6000        |
| Andorra                  |             | 0           |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Angola                   |             |             |             |             |             | 1390        | 1390        | 1460        | 2512        |             |             |
| Antigua and Barbuda      |             | 0           |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Argentina <sup>2</sup>   |             | 3049        | 13025       | 2160        | 1000        | 1772        | 1680        | 1596        | 1471        | 1380        | 1268        |
| Australia                | ~10000      | ~10000      | 7845        | 7726        | 7513        | 7465        | 7395        | 7266        | 7133        | 6998        | 6785        |
| Austria                  | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 0           |             | 0           | 0           | 0           |
| Bahamas                  |             |             |             | 0           |             | 0           | 0           |             |             |             | 0           |
| Bangladesh               |             |             |             | 15000       | 15000       | 15000       | 15000       | 14999       | 12500       | 12500       | 12500       |
| Barbados                 |             |             |             |             |             | 0           |             |             |             |             |             |
| Belarus                  |             |             |             |             |             | 7530        | 6030        | 6030        | 6030        | 6030        | 6030        |
| Belgium                  | 5980        | 5816        | 5433        | 5099        | 4806        | 4443        | 4176        | 3820        | 3569        | 3287        | 3245        |

<sup>1</sup> In its reports submitted in 2003 and 2004, Afghanistan indicated that a decision on the number of mines to retain was pending. In its Article 7 report submitted in 2004, Afghanistan indicated that it currently retained 370 inert mines. In its Article 7 report submitted in 2005, Afghanistan indicated that the Government had yet to develop a formal policy on the number of mines retained for development and training purposes. The Government on a case-by-case basis approves the number and type of APMs retained by UNMACA on behalf of the MAPA.

<sup>2</sup> In its report submitted in 2000, Argentina indicated that an additional number of mines to be retained by the Army was under consideration at that time. In its report submitted in 2002, Argentina indicated that 1160 mines were retained to be used as fuses for antitank mines FMK-5 and that 1000 will be consumed during training activities until 1 April 2010. Additionally, in Form F, Argentina indicated that 12025 mines would be emptied of their explosive content in order to have inert mines for training.

|                                     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Belize                              | 0     |       |       |       |       |       | 0     |       |       |       |       |
| Benin                               | 0     | 0     |       | 0     |       |       | 0     | 30    | 16    | 16    |       |
| Bhutan                              |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 4491  |       |       |
| Bolivia (Plurinational State of)    | 0     |       |       |       |       |       | 0     |       |       |       |       |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>3</sup> |       | 2165  | 2405  | 2405  | 2525  | 2652  | 2755  | 17471 | 1708  | 1920  | 2390  |
| Botswana <sup>4</sup>               |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Brazil <sup>5</sup>                 |       | 17000 | 16550 | 16545 | 16545 | 16545 | 16125 | 15038 | 13550 | 12381 | 10986 |
| Brunei Darussalam <sup>6</sup>      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 0     |       |       |
| Bulgaria                            | 10446 | 4000  | 4000  | 3963  | 3963  | 3688  | 3676  | 3676  | 3670  | 3682  | 3682  |
| Burkina Faso <sup>7</sup>           |       | 0     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Burundi <sup>8</sup>                |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 4     | 4     |
| Cambodia                            |       | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     |       | 0     | 0     | 0     |
| Cameroon <sup>9</sup>               |       |       | 500   |       |       |       | 3154  |       |       |       | 1885  |
| Canada <sup>10</sup>                | 1781  | 1668  | 1712  | 1683  | 1935  | 1928  | 1907  | 1992  | 1963  | 1963  | 1939  |
| Cape Verde                          |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | 120   |
| Central African Republic            |       |       |       |       |       |       | 0     |       |       |       |       |

<sup>3</sup> .In its reports submitted in 2001 and 2002, Bosnia and Herzegovina indicated that 222 of the mines reported under Article 3 were fuse-less. In 2003, it indicated that 293 of the mines reported under Article 3 were fuse-less and in 2004, it indicated that 439 of the mines reported under Article 3 were fuse-less. In its report submitted in 2005, it indicated that 433 of the mines reported under Article 3 were fuse-less and also that the total of Article 3 mines was higher because it included the mines kept by demining companies, which hadn't been previously reported.

<sup>4</sup> In its report submitted in 2001, Botswana indicated that a "small quantity" of mines would be retained.

<sup>5</sup> In its report submitted in 2001, Brazil indicated that all mines retained would be destroyed in training activities during a period of 10 years after the entry into force of the Convention for Brazil that is by October 2009. In its report submitted in 2006, Brazil indicated that it intends to keep its Article 3 mines up to 2019.

<sup>6</sup> In its report submitted in 2007, Brunei Darussalam indicated that there were no live anti-personnel mines prohibited by the Convention retained for the development and training in Brunei Darussalam. For these purposes, the Royal Brunei Armed Forces is using anti-personnel mines that are not prohibited by the Convention.

<sup>7</sup> In its reports submitted in 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007 and 2008, Burkina Faso indicated that "nothing yet" was retained.

<sup>8</sup> In its report submitted in 2009, Burundi indicated that the Directorate of Humanitarian Mine and UXO Action, with the assistance of MAG Burundi, recovered 41 anti-personnel mines on 29 April 2009. The mines are currently stored in a MAG Burundi facility.

<sup>9</sup> In a report submitted prior to ratifying the Convention in 2001, Cameroon reported the same 500 mines under Article 4 and Article 3. The 3154 mines reported in 2005 also appeared in both Forms B and D. In its report submitted in 2009, Cameroon indicated in Form B that 1,885 mines were held and in Form D that some thousands of mines were held for training purposes.

<sup>10</sup> 84 of the 1941 mines reported in 2007 are without fuses.

|  |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |                    |      |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|--------------------|------|
| Chad <sup>11</sup>                             |       |       |       | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0                  | 0    |
| Chile  |       |       |       | 28647 | 6245 | 6245 | 5895 | 4574 | 4484 | 4153               | 4083 |
| Colombia                                       |       |       |       | 0     | 986  | 986  | 886  | 886  | 586  | 586                | 586  |
| Comoros  |       |       |       |       | 0    | 0    |      |      |      |                    |      |
| Congo  |       |       |       | 372   |      | 372  | 372  | 372  | 372  |                    | 322  |
| Cook Islands                                   |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      | 0    |                    |      |
| Costa Rica                                     |       |       | 0     | 0     |      | 0    | 0    |      |      |                    |      |
| Côte d'Ivoire                                  |       |       |       |       |      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |                    | 0    |
| Croatia  | 17500 | 7000  | 7000  | 6546  | 6478 | 6400 | 6236 | 6179 | 6103 | 6038               |      |
| Cyprus   |       |       |       |       | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | 1000               | 1000 |
| Czech Republic                                 |       | 4859  | 4859  | 4849  | 4849 | 4849 | 4829 | 4829 | 4699 | 4699               | 2543 |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo <sup>12</sup> |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |                    |      |
| Denmark  | 4991  | 4934  | 2106  | 2091  | 2058 | 2058 | 1989 | 60   | 2008 | 2008               | 1990 |
| Djibouti                                       |       |       |       |       | 2996 | 2996 | 2996 |      |      |                    |      |
| Dominica                                       |       |       |       | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    |      |      |                    |      |
| Dominican Republic                             |       |       | 0     | 0     | 0    |      |      |      |      |                    | 0    |
| Ecuador  |       | 16000 | 16000 | 4000  | 3970 | 3970 | 2001 | 2001 | 2001 | 1000 <sup>13</sup> | 1000 |
| El Salvador                                    |       |       | 0     | 96    | 96   | 96   | 96   | 72   |      |                    | 0    |
| Equatorial Guinea                              |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |                    |      |
| Eritrea <sup>14</sup>                          |       |       |       |       | 222  | 222  | 9    |      | 109  | 109                | 109  |
| Estonia  |       |       |       |       |      |      | 0    |      | 0    | 0                  | 0    |
| Ethiopia <sup>15</sup>                         |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      | 1114               | 303  |
| Fiji   | 0     |       |       | 0     |      |      |      |      |      |                    |      |
| France   | 4361  | 4539  | 4476  | 4479  | 4462 | 4466 | 4455 | 4216 | 4170 | 4152               | 4144 |

<sup>11</sup> In its report submitted in 2002, Chad reported that the quantity of mines retained for training purposes would be indicated in the next report.

<sup>12</sup> In its reports submitted in 2003, 2004, 2008 and 2009, the Democratic Republic of the Congo indicated that the decision concerning mines retained was pending.

<sup>13</sup> In a statement received on 12 September 2007, Ecuador indicated that it destroyed 1,001 anti-personnel mines on 14 August 2007.

<sup>14</sup> In its report submitted in 2005, Eritrea indicated that the mines retained were inert. In its report submitted in 2007, Eritrea indicated that 9 of the 109 mines retained were inert. In its report submitted in 2008, Eritrea indicated that 8 of the 109 retained mines were inert.

<sup>15</sup> At the 9MSP, Ethiopia indicated that 1,114 anti-personnel mines were going to be retained under Article 3.

|                             |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Gabon                       |       |       |       | 0     |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Gambia                      |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |      | 100  |
| Germany                     | 3006  | 2983  | 2753  | 2574  | 2555 | 2537 | 2496 | 2525 | 2526 | 2388 | 2437 |
| Ghana                       |       |       |       | 0     |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Greece                      |       |       |       |       |      | 7224 | 7224 | 7224 | 7224 | 7224 | 7224 |
| Grenada                     |       |       | 0     |       |      | 0    |      |      |      |      |      |
| Guatemala                   |       |       | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    |      |      |      | 0    |
| Guinea                      |       |       |       |       |      | 0    |      |      |      |      |      |
| Guinea-Bissau <sup>16</sup> |       |       |       | 0     | 0    |      |      | 109  |      | 109  | 9    |
| Guyana                      |       |       |       |       |      |      |      | 0    |      |      |      |
| Haiti                       |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |      | 0    |
| Holy See                    | 0     |       |       | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |      | 0    |
| Honduras                    | 1050  |       | 826   |       |      | 826  |      | 815  | 826  |      |      |
| Hungary                     | 1500  | 1500  | 1500  | 1500  | 1500 | 1500 | 1500 |      | 0    |      | 0    |
| Iceland                     |       |       |       | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    |      |      |      |      |
| Indonesia                   |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      | 4978 | 4978 |
| Iraq                        |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      | 9    | tbc  |
| Ireland                     | 130   | 129   | 127   | 125   | 116  | 103  | 85   | 77   | 75   | 70   | 67   |
| Italy                       |       | 8000  | 8000  | 7992  | 803  | 803  | 806  | 806  | 750  | 721  | 689  |
| Jamaica                     |       | 0     |       | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    |      | 0    |      |      |
| Japan                       | 15000 | 13852 | 12513 | 11223 | 9613 | 8359 | 6946 | 5350 | 4277 | 3712 | 3320 |
| Jordan                      | 1000  | 1000  |       | 1000  | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | 950  | 950  |
| Kenya                       |       |       | 3000  | 3000  |      | 3000 |      | 3000 |      | 3000 |      |
| Kiribati                    |       |       | 0     |       |      | 0    |      |      |      |      |      |
| Kuwait                      |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      | 0    | 0    |
| Latvia                      |       |       |       |       |      |      |      | 1301 | 902  | 899  | 899  |
| Lesotho                     |       | 0     |       |       | 0    |      |      |      |      |      |      |

<sup>16</sup> In its reports submitted in 2004 and 2005, Guinea Bissau indicated that it would retain a very limited number of AP mines. In its reports submitted in 2006 and 2008, Guinea Bissau indicated that amongst the 109 retained mines, 50 POMZ2 and 50 PMD6 do not contain detonators or explosive. In its report submitted in 2009, Guinea Bissau indicated that the 50 POMZ2 were transferred for metal use and the 50 PMD6 were eliminated and used as wood.

|                           |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Liberia                   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      | 0    |
| Liechtenstein             |      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| Lithuania <sup>17</sup>   |      |      |      | 8091 |      | 3987 |      |      |      | 0    |      | 0    |
| Luxembourg                |      |      | 998  | 998  | 988  | 976  | 956  | 956  | 900  | 855  |      |      |
| Madagascar                |      |      | 0    |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Malawi <sup>18</sup>      |      |      |      |      | 21   | 21   | 21   |      |      |      |      |      |
| Malaysia <sup>19</sup>    |      | 0    |      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |      |      |      |      | 0    |
| Maldives                  |      |      |      | 0    |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Mali                      |      |      | 3000 |      | 900  | 900  | 600  |      |      |      |      |      |
| Malta                     |      |      |      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |      |      |      |      | 0    |
| Mauritania <sup>20</sup>  |      |      | 5728 | 5728 | 843  | 728  | 728  | 728  | 728  | 728  | 728  | 728  |
| Mauritius <sup>21</sup>   |      |      |      | 93   | 93   | 0    | 0    |      |      |      |      |      |
| Mexico                    | 0    | 0    |      |      | 0    | 0    | 0    |      | 0    |      |      | 0    |
| Monaco                    |      |      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |
| Montenegro                |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      | 0    |      |      | 0    |
| Mozambique <sup>22</sup>  |      | 0    | 0    | 0    | 1427 | 1470 | 1470 | 1319 | 1265 |      |      | 1963 |
| Namibia                   |      |      |      |      |      | 9999 | 6151 | 3899 |      |      |      | 1734 |
| Nauru                     |      |      |      |      |      |      | 0    |      |      |      |      |      |
| Netherlands               |      | 4076 | 3532 | 4280 | 3866 | 3553 | 3176 | 2878 | 2735 | 2516 | 2413 |      |
| New Zealand <sup>23</sup> | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |      | 0    |      |      | 0    |
| Nicaragua                 | 1971 | 1971 | 1971 | 1971 | 1810 | 1040 | 1021 | 1004 | 1004 | 1004 | 1004 |      |

<sup>17</sup> In its report submitted in 2004, Lithuania indicated that fuses of MON-100 and OZM-72 mines had been changed to remotely-controlled and that they no longer fall under the Convention's definition of APMs. These mines will not appear in next year's exchange of information.

<sup>18</sup> In its reports submitted in 2003 and 2004, Malawi indicated that mines declared under Article 3 were dummy mines.

<sup>19</sup> In its reports submitted in 2004 and 2005, Malaysia indicated that, for the purpose of training, the Malaysian Armed Forces is using practice antipersonnel mines.

<sup>20</sup> In its reports submitted in 2001 and 2002, the mines reported by Mauritania under Article 3 were also reported under Article 4.

<sup>21</sup> In its reports submitted in 2002 and 2003, the mines reported by Mauritius under Article 3 were also reported under Article 4.

<sup>22</sup> In its report submitted in 2009, Mozambique indicated that 520 of the retained mines were inherited from an NPA mine detection training camp. This camp is not used as training falls outside of the IND scope of work so the mines will be destroyed in June 2009.

<sup>23</sup> In its report submitted in 2007, New Zealand indicated that it retains operational stocks of M18A1 Claymores which are operated in the command-detonated mode only. Other than the M18A1 Claymores, the New Zealand Defence Force holds a very limited quantity of inert practice mines, used solely in the training of personnel in mine clearance operations, in accordance with Article 3 of the Convention.

|                                  |   |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|----------------------------------|---|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Niger <sup>24</sup>              |   |       |       | 0    | 146  | 0    | 146  | 146  |      | 146  |
| Nigeria                          |   |       |       |      |      | 3364 | 0    | 0    |      | 3364 |
| Niue                             | 0 |       |       | 0    |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Norway                           | 0 | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |      | 0    | 0    |
| Palau                            |   |       |       |      |      |      |      |      | 0    |      |
| Panama                           |   |       |       | 0    | 0    |      |      |      |      | 0    |
| Papua New Guinea <sup>25</sup>   |   |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Paraguay                         |   |       | 0     |      |      |      |      | 0    | 0    |      |
| Peru                             |   | 9526  | 5578  | 4024 | 4024 | 4024 | 4024 | 4012 | 4012 | 4000 |
| Philippines                      |   | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |      |      |      |
| Portugal <sup>26</sup>           |   | ~3523 | ~3523 | 1115 |      | 1115 | 1115 | 1115 | 1115 | 760  |
| Qatar                            |   |       |       |      |      | 0    | 0    |      |      |      |
| Republic of Moldova              |   |       |       | 849  |      | 736  | 249  | 249  | 0    |      |
| Romania                          |   |       |       | 4000 | 4000 | 2500 | 2500 | 2500 | 2500 | 2500 |
| Rwanda <sup>27</sup>             |   |       | 0     |      | 101  | 101  | 101  | 101  |      | 65   |
| Saint Kitts and Nevis            | 0 |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Saint Lucia                      |   |       |       |      |      |      | 0    |      |      |      |
| Saint Vincent and the Grenadines |   |       |       |      |      |      | 0    |      |      |      |
| Samoa                            |   |       |       | 0    |      |      |      |      | 0    |      |
| San Marino                       |   |       | 0     | 0    |      | 0    | 0    |      | 0    | 0    |
| Sao Tome and Principe            |   |       |       |      |      |      |      |      | 0    |      |
| Senegal <sup>28</sup>            | 0 |       | 0     | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |      | 24   | 24   |
| Serbia <sup>29</sup>             |   |       |       |      |      | 5000 | 5000 | 5507 |      | 5565 |

<sup>24</sup> In its report submitted in 2003, the mines reported by Niger under Article 3 were also reported under Article 4.

<sup>25</sup> In its report submitted in 2004, Papua New Guinea indicated that it had a small stock of command-detonated Claymore mines for training purposes only by the Papua New Guinea Defence Force.

<sup>26</sup> In its report submitted in 2000, Portugal indicated that only 3000 of the retained mines were active, the rest was inert.

<sup>27</sup> In its report submitted in 2003, Rwanda indicated that the 101 mines declared under Article 3 had been uprooted from minefields to be retained for training purposes.

<sup>28</sup> In its reports submitted in 2007 and 2008, Senegal indicated that the 24 mines it retains under Article 3 were found during demining operations or in rebel stocks held before they were destroyed in August-September 2006. These mines have been defused and are used to train deminers.

|   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |      |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| Seychelles                                |       |       |       |       | 0     | 0     |       |       |       |      |      |
| Sierra Leone                              |       |       |       |       |       | 0     |       |       |       |      |      |
| Slovakia                                  | 7000  | 1500  | 1500  | 1486  | 1481  | 1427  | 1427  | 1427  | 1422  | 1422 |      |
| Slovenia                                  | 7000  | 7000  | 3000  | 3000  | 2999  | 2994  | 2993  | 2993  | 2992  | 2991 |      |
| Solomon Islands                           |       |       |       |       |       | 0     |       |       |       |      |      |
| South Africa <sup>30</sup>                | 11247 | 11247 | 4505  | 4455  | 4400  | 4414  | 4388  | 4433  | 4406  | 4380 | 4355 |
| Spain <sup>31</sup>                       | 10000 | 4000  | 4000  | 4000  | 3815  | 2712  | 2712  | 2034  | 1994  | 1797 |      |
| Sudan                                     |       |       |       |       |       | 5000  | 5000  | 10000 | 10000 | 4997 | 1938 |
| Suriname <sup>32</sup>                    |       |       |       |       | 296   | 296   | 150   | 150   | 150   | 0    |      |
| Swaziland                                 |       | 0     |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |      |      |
| Sweden <sup>33</sup>                      | 0     | 0     | 11120 | 13948 | 16015 | 15706 | 14798 | 14402 | 10578 | 7531 | 7364 |
| Switzerland                               | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    |
| Tajikistan                                |       |       |       |       | 255   | 255   | 255   | 225   | 105   | 0    | 0    |
| Thailand <sup>34</sup>                    | 15604 | 15604 | 5000  | 4970  | 4970  | 4970  | 4970  | 4761  | 4713  | 3650 | 3638 |
| The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia | 50    |       | 0     | 4000  | 4000  | 4000  | 0     | 0     |       |      | 0    |
| Timor-Leste                               |       |       |       |       |       | 0     |       |       |       |      |      |
| Togo                                      |       |       |       |       | 436   | 436   |       |       |       |      |      |
| Trinidad and Tobago                       |       |       | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0    | 0    |
| Tunisia                                   |       | 5000  | 5000  | 5000  | 5000  | 5000  | 5000  | 5000  | 5000  | 4995 | 4980 |

<sup>29</sup> In its report submitted in 2009, Serbia indicated that all fuses for 510 PMA-1 type and 560 PMA-3 type had been removed and destroyed.

<sup>30</sup> In its report submitted in 1999, South Africa indicated that 10992 of the 11247 mines declared under Article 3 were empty casings retained for training of members of the SADF.

<sup>31</sup> While Spain did not submit an Article 7 report in 2000, the report submitted in 2001 covered calendar year 2000.

<sup>32</sup> In its report submitted in 2004, although Suriname reports 296 mines as retained under Article 3, it mentioned that from 1995 there were no mines retained for training in mine detection or clearance. In its report submitted in 2008, Suriname indicated that the last 146 mines retained under Article 3 were destroyed.

<sup>33</sup> In its report submitted in 2001, Sweden indicated that 11120 mines declared under Article 3 were complete mines or mines without fuses. In its report submitted in 2002, it indicated that 2840 of the declared mines were without fuses and could be connected to fuses kept for dummies. In its report submitted in 2003, it indicated that 2782 mines were without fuses and could be connected to fuses kept for dummies. In its reports submitted in 2004 and 2005, it indicated that 2840 mines were without fuses and could be connected to fuses kept for dummies. In its report submitted in 2009, Sweden indicated that 2780 mines were without fuses and could be connected to fuses kept for dummies.

<sup>34</sup> In its Article 7 report submitted in 1999, Thailand indicated that the 15604 retained mines included 6117 Claymore mines.

|  |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|--|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Turkey   |      |      |      |      |       | 16000 | 16000 | 15150 | 15150 | 15150 | 15125 |
| Turkmenistan <sup>35</sup>   |      |      |      |      | 69200 |       | 0     |       |       |       |       |
| Ukraine  |      |      |      |      |       |       |       | 1950  | 1950  | 223   | 211   |
| Uganda   |      |      |      | 2400 |       |       | 1764  |       |       | 1764  | 1764  |
| United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland <sup>36</sup> | 4437 | 4519 | 4919 | 4949 | 4899  | 1930  | 1937  | 1795  | 650   | 609   | 903   |
| United Republic of Tanzania  |      |      |      |      | 1146  | 1146  | 1146  | 1146  | 1102  | 950   | 1780  |
| Uruguay  |      |      |      | 500  |       | 500   |       |       |       | 260   |       |
| Vanuatu  |      |      |      |      |       |       |       | 0     |       |       |       |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)                                 |      |      |      | 2214 | 5000  |       | 4960  | 4960  | 4960  | 4960  | 4960  |
| Yemen  | 4000 | 4000 | 4000 | 4000 | 4000  | 4000  | 4000  | 4000  |       |       |       |
| Zambia   |      |      |      |      |       |       | 3346  | 3346  | 3346  | 2232  | 2120  |
| Zimbabwe <sup>37</sup>   |      | 946  | 700  |      | 700   |       | 700   | 700   | 700   | 600   | 550   |

### Key:

*Number of mines reported retained in a particular year:*

*Numeric value*

No report was submitted as required or a report was submitted but no number was entered in the relevant reporting form:

No report was required:

<sup>35</sup> In its report submitted in 2004, Turkmenistan indicated that it started the process of destruction of 60000 antipersonnel mines in February 2004. In a statement to the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention on 25 June 2004, it indicated that the remaining 9200 mines would be destroyed during the year.

<sup>36</sup> In its report submitted in 1999, the United Kingdom reported 2088 mines with a shelf life expiring on 1 August 2002, 1056 mines with a shelf life expiring on 1 August 2010, 434 inert training shapes and 859 mines of foreign manufacture. In its report submitted in 2000, it reported 2088 mines with a shelf life expiring on 1 August 2002, 1056 mines with a shelf life expiring on 1 August 2010, the inert shapes have been taken off the total since they don't fall under the Convention's definition of a mine and 1375 mines of foreign manufacture. In its report submitted in 2001, it reported 2088 mines with a shelf life expiring on 1 August 2002, 1056 mines with a shelf life expiring on 1 August 2010 and 1775 mines of foreign manufacture. In its report submitted in 2002, it reported 2088 mines with a shelf life expiring on 1 August 2002, 1056 mines with a shelf life expiring on 1 August 2010 and 1805 mines of foreign manufacture. In its report submitted in 2003, it reported 2088 mines with a shelf life expiring on 1 August 2002, (the UK is currently working towards their destruction), 1028 mines with a shelf life expiring on 1 August 2010 and 1783 mines of foreign manufacture.

<sup>37</sup> In its report submitted in 2008, Zimbabwe reported 700 mines retained for training in Form D and indicated that 100 had been destroyed during training in 2007 in Form B.

**Table 2: Summary of additional information volunteered by the States Parties that reported anti-personnel mines retained or transferred for reasons permitted under Article 3**

| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Additional information volunteered by the State Party</i>   |
|--------------------|--|
| Afghanistan        | Afghanistan reported that UNMACA uses retained anti-personnel mines in its test centres in Kabul and Kandahar to accredit the mine detection dogs of implementing partners and stores mines that may be needed in the future in a secure bunker. The implementing partners, under the oversight of UNMACA, use anti-personnel mines for training of their mine detection dogs and deminers (2008).   |
| Algeria            |  |
| Angola             |  |
| Argentina          | <p>In 2005, Argentina reported that it estimated that mines will be used as follows in coming years: between 2005 and 2011, approximately 90 to 100 Type SB 33 and Type FMK-1 mines per year will be used to train Argentine army engineers; in 2005 and 2006, approximately 150 Type Expal P4B, 50 Type MFK1 and 50 Libyan anti-personnel mines will be used for the development and testing of the remote-controlled detection / destruction vehicle; in 2005 approximately 150 Type FMK1 and 150 Type Expal P4B mines will be used for the destruction of unexploded ordnance; and, between 2005 and 2010 approximately 40 Type Expal P4B, Type MFK1 and Libyan anti-personnel mines per year will be used in basic and advanced humanitarian demining courses, and, for EOD and demining training and for peace keeping forces. (2005)</p> <p>In 2006, Argentina reported that mines are retained by the navy for anti-personnel mines destruction training activities, more specifically to train marines engineers in destruction techniques. The development of an annual training programme will lead to the destruction of the 610 remaining mines retained by the navy by 2012. (2006)</p> <p>Argentina indicated that in 2007 the navy destroyed 81 mines SB-33 during training activities conducted by the Company of Amphibious Engineers on destruction techniques. The army retains mines to develop an unmanned vehicle for the detection and handling of mines and explosives. Development of this vehicle started on 1 March 2004 and is 60% complete. The vehicle is currently at the stage of assembling. During 2007 no mines were destroyed for this project. Mines are also retained by the Institute of Scientific and Technical Research of the Armed Forces to test charges for the destruction of UXO/mines. In 2007, 10 mines were destroyed in the testing grounds(2008).</p> |
| Australia          | Australia reported that stocks were now centralised, with small numbers in ammunition depots throughout Australia to support regional training. Training is conducted by the School of Military Engineering in Sydney. Australia indicated that stock levels would be regularly reviewed and assessed, that only a realistic training quantity was held, and that this would be depleted over time. Stocks in excess of this figure will be destroyed on an ongoing basis (2008).  |
| Bangladesh         | Bangladesh informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that mines were retained for training purposes, especially for officers and soldiers preparing for UN peacekeeping missions (2005).   |
| Belarus            |  |

| <i>State Party</i>     | <i>Additional information volunteered by the State Party</i>  |
|------------------------|---|
| Belgium                | <p>Belgium reported that in 2004 and 2005, at the Engineering School, 106 mines were used to educate Officers, NCOs and privates as EOD personnel and that 517 mines were used for the training of Engineer Combat Units in demining and mine awareness (2005, 2006).</p> <p>Belgium reported that in 2006 and 2007, 533 mines were used during different sessions of courses organised by the Belgian Armed Forces with the aim of educating and training EOD specialists and deminers with live ammunition and training militaries in mine risk education (2006-2007).</p>  |
| Benin                  |   |
| Bhutan                 |   |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina |   |
| Brazil                 | <p>Brazil reported that all mines retained for training shall be destroyed in training activities. The retention of these mines will allow the Brazilian Armed Forces to participate adequately in international demining activities. (2007) Brazil indicated that the Brazilian Army decided to keep its landmine stockpiles for the training of demining teams up to 2019, taking into consideration the prorogation of the deadline for the destruction of landmines, in accordance with Article 3 (2008).</p>   |
| Bulgaria               | <p>In 2006, Bulgaria informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that so far retained mines had been used for training the engineer scientists participating in missions abroad and to study their destructive effect and develop technologies for PFM detection. The engineer specialists, officers and NSOs of the Bulgarian Armed Forces are trained on issues related to anti-personnel mines identification, demining and antipersonnel mines destruction at the Defence Staff College, the National Military University and at the Engineer Units of the Bulgarian Armed Forces. Training is oriented towards awareness of the tactical and technical features of mines, awareness of and application techniques for demining minefields left after military operations during peacekeeping operations, defusing single mines and anti-personnel mines used as a component of improvised explosive device (2006).</p>   |
| Burundi                |   |
| Cameroon               |   |
| Canada                 | <p>In 2005, Canada informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that since entry into force it had used 180 Type M-14 mines for research and training, noting the value of this mine for these purposes being its low metal content and that it is found in many mine-affected countries. In addition, Canada informed the Standing Committee that 8 Type PMR-2A mines were used to test and evaluate personal protective equipment given that the fragment velocity and size of this mine is quite different from other mines and because it too is found in many mine-affected countries. As well, Canada indicated that 102 Type PMA-2 mines were used to test and evaluate metal detectors and instrumented prodders as this mine represents a difficult target for detection and to test and evaluate protective equipment (2005).</p> <p>In 2005-2006, Canada also reported 157 anti-personnel mines transferred from Afghanistan to train Canadian soldiers with anti-personnel mines they are currently facing in Afghanistan (2006).</p> <p>Canada reported that it retains live anti-personnel mines to study the effect of blast on equipment, to train soldiers on</p> |

procedures to defuse live anti-personnel mines and to demonstrate the effect of landmines. For example, live mines help determine whether suits, boots and shields will adequately protect personnel who clear mines. The live mines are used by the Defence department's research establishment located at Suffield, Alberta and by various military training establishments across Canada. The Department of National Defence represents the only source of anti-personnel mines which can be used by Canadian industry to test equipment. Since the last report Canada has not acquired or used anti-personnel mines mainly due to the closure of the Canadian Centre for Mine Action Technologies. A variety of anti-personnel mines are necessary for training soldiers in mine detection and clearance. Counter-mine procedures and equipment developed by Canada's research establishment must also be tested on different types of mines member of the Canadian Forces or other organisations might encounter during demining operations. The Department of National Defence retains a maximum of 2,000. This number is to ensure Canada has a sufficient number of mines for training and for valid testing in the area of mine detection and clearance. Canada will continue to conduct trials, testing and evaluation as new technologies are developed. There will be a continuing requirement for provision of real mine targets and simulated minefields for research and development of detection technologies (2008).

## Cape Verde

## Chile

In 2006, Chile reported that its retained anti-personnel mines were under the control of the army and the navy. In 2005, training courses in detection, disposal, and destruction of anti-personnel mines were organized for deminers, A humanitarian demining training was carried out for the demining unit of the navy. Training activities will include courses in detection, disposal, and destruction of antipersonnel mines for the Azapa and Punta Arenas Engineering Battalions, a demining course for the Atacama Engineering Battalion (2006).

In 2006, 39 mines were destroyed in anti-personnel mines detection, disposal, and destruction training courses organized for deminers at the School of Military Engineers of the Army. 1,357 mines were destroyed in anti-personnel mines detection, disposal, and destruction training courses organized for the Army's Demining Training Unit in Regions I, II and XII. 15 mines were destroyed to prepare the Partida de Operaciones de Minas Terrestres (Chilean Navy's demining unit) in humanitarian demining. Chile plans to use another 300 mines in 2007 in the course of its training activities. These activities include courses in detection, disposal, and destruction of anti-personnel mines for the Azapa, Atacama and Punta Arenas Engineering Battalions and the Navy demining units and regular courses for Engineer Officers and Sub-Officers at the School of Military Engineers (2007).

In 2007, 328 mines were destroyed in anti-personnel mines detection, disposal, and destruction training courses organized for deminers at the School of Military Engineers of the Army. 3 mines were destroyed to prepare the Partida de Operaciones de Minas Terrestres (Chilean Navy's demining unit) in humanitarian demining (2008).

## Colombia

## Congo

## Croatia

In 2005, Croatia informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that the main purpose in retaining mines was to test demining machines. In addition, it indicated that in 2004, the Centre for Testing, Development and Training was established with its primary task being to test demining machines, mine detection dogs and metal detectors, and, to undertake research and development of other demining techniques and technologies. Croatia estimated that 189 mines would be needed in 2005 (2005).

| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Additional information volunteered by the State Party</i>  |
|--------------------|---|
|                    | <p>Croatia reported that in 2005, during testing and evaluating of demining machines on the test polygon in Cerovec, CROMAC-CTDT Ltd. used and destroyed 164 mines. These mines were used to test the following machines: excavator “MT-01”, working tools – machine “MINE-WOLF”, working tools – machine “MFV 1200”, machine “M-FV 2500/580”, machine “MVR-01”, machine “MV-10”, excavator “ORKA” (2006).</p> <p>Croatia informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that in 2006, 57 anti-personnel mines were used for testing of demining machines. The main purpose for which retained mines were used up to date is testing demining machines Bo.ena 5 and Mini .MINE-WOLF and RM-KA 02. Only after comprehensive testing the machines would receive appropriate certification which would enable them to operate in Croatia and beyond (2007).</p> |
| Cyprus             | <p>In 2006, Cyprus informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that the retained mines were used by the National Guard for the training of conscripts. Training included tracing techniques, reconnaissance, clearance and destruction of anti-personnel mines. After the completion of training all anti-personnel mines were collected and stored in specially designed warehouses. Cyprus indicated that the mines might be used for testing new means and systems for tracing and detecting antipersonnel mines (2006).</p>   |
| Czech Republic     | <p>The Czech Republic reported that there is no specific action plan on how to use the retained mines, the principle is to use them for EOD/engineer units training to detect and destroy anti-personnel mines (2007).</p>  |
| Denmark            | <p>Denmark reported that its retained mines are used as follows: a demonstration of the effects of anti-personnel mines is given to all recruits during training; during training of engineer units for international tasks, instructors in mine awareness are trained to handle anti-personnel mines; and, during training of ammunition clearing units, anti-personnel mines are used for training in ammunition dismantling. Anti-personnel mines are not used for the purpose of training in mine laying (2008).</p>  |
| Djibouti           |   |
| Ecuador            |   |
| Eritrea            |   |
| Ethiopia           |   |
| France             | <p>France reported that its retained mines were used to: 1) test mine detection devices, including the “Mine Picker”, a mine detection robot developed by Pegase Instrumentation (the cost-efficiency study carried out in 2007 concluded that this project would be abandoned) and the MMSR-SYDERA system. 2) to assess the anti-personnel mine threat, 3) to test protective anti-personnel boots (no tests having been carried out since 2005, France does not plan to continue with this activity) (2008).</p>  |
| Gambia             |   |
| Germany            | <p>Germany reported that 41 mines were used in 2004 by the Federal Armed Forces for neutralization of fuses and for the “Wolf” Light Truck mine protection programme. In addition, Germany reported that mines are retained for demining research and development, dog training and for testing the “Rhino” demining machine (2005).</p>  |

Germany reported that it retained anti-personnel mines under Article 3 with the following objectives 1) detection and demining equipment research and testing, 2) vehicle mine protection programme, 3) mine detection dogs, and 4) accident research, for the following projects/activities: 1) Mobile Minesearch and Clearing system, 2) Modular Fragment Protection, 3) Regular dog training at the Dog Handling Centre where the anti-personnel mines are placed in permanent search fields with fusing mechanisms partly or entirely removed. In 2006 at the Federal Armed Forces Technical Centre 91, 14 anti-personnel mines were used for the vehicle mine protection programme and accident research, 5 anti-personnel mines were destroyed, 20 anti-personnel mines type MRUD were delivered from the Balkans and 19 antipersonnel mines were transferred to Rheinmetall Unterlüss (2007).

At the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention, Germany reported that pursuant to Article 3, it has set itself an upper ceiling of 3,000 anti-personnel mines to the maximum. These stocks of APMs clearly earmarked and stored for non-operational purposes, are regarded as necessary for the effective continuation and improvement of the protection of Germany's deployed soldiers against anti-personnel mines. The available anti-personnel mines pool enables a cost-saving and efficient execution of technical examinations in the area of Force Protection. Due to the International Test and Evaluation Programme for Humanitarian Demining (ITEP), many efforts have been undertaken to test and evaluate mine action equipments, systems and technologies. Nevertheless, efforts have continued in order to develop field equipment and tools based on realistic and future needs for the Federal Armed Forces (2008).

At the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention in 2009, Germany reported that all together since 1998, it has used up a total of 685 antipersonnel mines for testing. For training purposes, German Armed Forces are using dummies. In 2008, Germany decided to set up a special test field for testing multiple sensor mine detection and search systems. The implementation of the project will take place in 2009 at the Federal Armed Forces Technical Centre 52 (WTD 52) in Bavaria. Germany offers available test capabilities for testing procedures on handheld systems – beginning in 2010 – to NATO Member States as well as to Partners in the International Test and Evaluation Programme for Humanitarian Demining (ITEP). In 2007, at the Federal Armed Forces Technical Centre 91, 14 anti-personnel mines were used for the vehicle mine protection programme, In 2008, German Armed Forces used 7 anti-personnel mines for testing purposes. 5 mines were used for vehicles mine protection programmes, 2 mines were used for analysis of IED attacks on German Armed Forces.

Greece

Guinea-Bissau

Guinea Bissau indicated that the 109 retained antipersonnel mine are retained by the armed forces of Guinea Bissau, 100 of which do not contain detonators or explosive. These mines are retained to train military deminers regarding how mines work and in recognition training (2006).

Honduras

In 2006, Honduras informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that plans for use of retained mines included: training of engineering staff to support demining work in countries affected by mines, and training to deal with the reported presence of mines in Honduras (2006).

Indonesia

Indonesia reported that the anti-personnel mines retained under Article 3 will be used as instruction/teaching materials which will further enhance the students capability to identify, detect and destruct landmines in general, particularly in preparing Indonesia's participation in peacekeeping operations (2008).

| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Additional information volunteered by the State Party</i>  |
|--------------------|---|
| Iraq               |   |
| Ireland            |   |
| Italy              | Italy indicated that warfare mines are utilized for bomb disposals and pioneers training courses. Four such training courses are organised every year (2008).   |
| Japan              | <p>In 2008, At the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention, Japan indicated that in accordance with the exceptions in Article 3, Japan has used anti-personnel mines for the purposes of training in mine detection, mine clearance, and mine destruction techniques, as well as for developing mine detection and mine clearance equipment. Within its annual Article 7 reports, Japan supplied information on the use of its retained mines and the results of such use. Specifically, Japan provided data on: (1) mine detection, mine clearance or mine destruction techniques developed and under development; (2) training in mine detection, mine clearance or mine destruction; and (3) the number of personnel trained. In 2008, Japan plans to use anti-personnel landmines retained under Article 3 for the purpose of training infantry and engineering units of the Self Defense Force in mine detection and mine clearance.</p> <p>In accordance with Article 3 of the Convention, Japan retains anti-personnel mines for the purpose of training in and development of mine detection, mine clearance and mine destruction techniques (At the time of entry into force in 1999: 15,000 retained. As of December 2007: 3,712 retained). However, the number possessed is the minimum absolutely necessary for training the Self Defense Force units and technology development trails. Japan reported that it consumed 565 mines in 2007 for education and training in mine detection and mine clearance, and for the development of mine detectors and mine clearance equipment (2008).</p> |
| Jordan             | <p>In 2007, Jordan reported at the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that NPA-Jordan carried out mine detection training of 4 new mine detection dog teams in May 2007 and July 2007 using a total of 50 retained mines. Training took place in the south of Jordan for the Wadi Araba/Aqaba Mine Clearance Project as well as in the north of Jordan for the Northern Border Project. The MDD Teams are trained by first creating a sample mine field using a small number of retained mines of the same type the MDD teams will be expected to encounter. The mines are laced in the ground prior to the training. The training is then carried out by the MDD teams in order for the dogs to learn to recognize the scent of those particular mines (2008).</p>   |
| Kenya              | <p>In 2006, Kenya informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that 540 anti-personnel mines had been used for the purposes described under Article 3. These mines were consumed during humanitarian demining and EODs training, demolition/destruction practical exercises and mine awareness training to peacekeeping contingents deployed to various missions (2007).</p>   |
| Latvia             | <p>Latvia indicated that there were no reasons for retaining mines other than training EOD experts for participation in international operations. In 2007, 3 mines were destroyed during mine destruction training (2008).</p>  |
| Luxembourg         |   |
| Malawi             |   |
| Mali               |   |

| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Additional information volunteered by the State Party</i>  |
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| Mauritania         | In 2006, Mauritania informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that of the 728 mines retained, 85 are held in training centres and 643 will be used for training activities as well once the mines held in training centres will have been destroyed (2006).   |
| Mozambique         |   |
| Namibia            | Namibia indicated that the mines will be used during training of its troops and deminers so that they can identify and learn to detect, handle, neutralize and destroy the mines whenever they are found. Training is still under way during the period under review and the number of mines retained will decrease further as the training continues.  |
| Netherlands        | In 2006, the Netherlands informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that the training programmes for which the retained mines are used consist of instructing all military personnel in mine awareness, how to act in a mined area and what to do to safely get out. This training forms part of the basis of every military instruction in the Netherlands, and are intensified prior to all troop deployments. Annually around 7,000 military receive the initial training on awareness. Moreover 450 military engineers are being trained annually to defuse or destruct anti-personnel mines, and to clear mined minefields and other mined areas. In addition, the Netherlands indicated that it retains mines for technical development. The research conducted is aimed at the development of new and improved detection and clearance technologies, as well as simulation mines. The Netherlands does not have yet such simulation mines at its disposal, but plans to replace part of the currently retained mines by simulations when possible (2006). |
| Nicaragua          | In 2006-2007, Nicaragua reported that a total of 36 mines were destroyed in training during 2006. 10 PPMISR11 mines were destroyed in November 2005-May 2006 during a humanitarian demining training course. In addition, 26 PMN mines were deactivated, their explosive parts being removed (charge and detonator), with the aim of using them for retraining and verification of detectors used in the front lines of operations. These mines can be considered destroyed or unusable, since the removed parts were destroyed and can no longer be restored in their technical capacity to function as anti-personnel mines (2007).   |
| Niger              |   |
| Peru               |   |
| Portugal           |   |
| Romania            |   |
| Rwanda             | In 2007, Rwanda reported that the 65 mines retained under Article 3 were uprooted from minefields to (a) train deminers to IMAS, (b) to practice EOD personnel and c) to train mine detection dogs. So far 25 EOD personnel have been trained into 5 EOD technicians, 10 operators and 10 Recce agents (2008).  |
| Senegal            |   |
| Serbia             | In 2008, Serbia reported at the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that mines retained in accordance with Article 3 were retained in depots at 3 locations in the Republic of Serbia. They were retained  |

| <i>State Party</i> | <i>Additional information volunteered by the State Party</i>  |
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|                    | for the purpose of organizing personnel training for probable engagement in UN peace operations, protection equipment testing and mine detectors. From December 2007 to March 2008, the ITF and the Government Centre for Demining of the Republic of Serbia organised and carried out a basic demining and battle area clearance course using different type of exercise mines and ammunition provided by the Ministry of Defence. 35 participants completed the basic course and 7 of them completed an additional course for team leaders for bomb disposal officers (2008).   |
| Slovakia           |   |
| Slovenia           |   |
| South Africa       | <p>South Africa reported that of the 4 323 anti-personnel mines retained by Defence-Tek, 6 were used for development and training techniques during 2005. Another 116 anti-personnel mines are kept by the South African Police Service (SAPS) Explosive Unit, Head of Bomb Disposal and Research. The SAPS has indicated that all POMZ 2M mines are empty, with the exception of the Shrapnel No 2, PRB series and the J- 69 have been deactivated. Shrapnel No 2 anti-personnel mines are command wires initiation only. 3 antipersonnel mines were used for training by the SAPS and one was rendered safe for training purposes. South Africa reported additional mines retained to be used in accordance with Article 3 as a result of the completion of criminal investigations (2006).</p> <p>South Africa indicated that 4,291 mines were retained by Defencetek, as formally mandated by Ministerial authorization dated 7 March 2006 and 89 were retained by the South African Police Service, Explosive Unit, Office Bomb Disposal and Research. Of the 4,317 anti-personnel retained by the Department of Defence reported in 2007, 6 anti-personnel mines were used in accordance with Article 3. Of the 109 antipersonnel mines retained by the South African Police Service reported in 2007, 21 were used in accordance with Article 3 and one additional anti-personnel mine, a MON 50, was recovered from an arms cache and retained for training purposes (2008).</p> <p>In 2008, of the 89 anti-personnel mines retained by the SAPS, 25 were used in accordance with Article 3 of the Convention (2009).</p> |
| Spain              | Spain reported that from 4,000 mines retained in accordance with Article 3, 1,288 anti-personnel mines were used for research and training in demining techniques at the International Centre for Demining.   |
| Sudan              |   |
| Sweden             | Sweden reported that in 2005, 56 Truppmina 10 type mines, 328 mines without fuses and 331 Trampmina type 49 B mines, were used for the training of personnel (2006).  |
| Thailand           |   |
| Togo               |   |
| Tunisia            |   |
| Turkey             | In 2009, Turkey informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that in 2008 training activities for military personnel included, i) training at Engineers Schools, ii) courses on mines and booby-traps, iii) mobile training on mines and IEDs, iv) mine, counter mine and EOD course held in the PfP Training Centre. Mines were also used for the Mine proof Boot Development project.  |

| <i>State Party</i>                                   | <i>Additional information volunteered by the State Party</i>   |
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| Ukraine  | Ukraine indicated that 1,727 mines were destroyed and used for personal protective equipment for deminers (2008).  |
| Uganda   | Uganda informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that retained mines had been used for mine detection, clearance and destruction training and to provide refresher training to army engineers conducting EOD response operations. In addition a 3-week predeployment training for humanitarian mine detection, clearance and EOD was given to 20 army engineers seconded to the Office of the Prime Minister/Mine Action Centre (2006).  |
| United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland | The United Kingdom indicated that anti-personnel mines are retained with the objective of identifying APM threat to UK forces and maintaining and improving detection, protection, clearance and destruction techniques. In 2006 1,248 anti-personnel mines were destroyed because they were unsafe (2007).  |
| United Republic of Tanzania                          | <p>In 2006, the United Republic of Tanzania informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that 369 anti-personnel mines were retained to train troops and 777 are for the APOPO project. This project trains sniffer rats to detect explosives. It has about 250 mine detection rats (MDR) bred and trained by 77 staff and produced 18 MDR teams currently carrying out operations in Mozambique. The APOPO Project has used 44 of the 777 retained, so the United Republic of Tanzania currently retains 1,102 anti-personnel mines. Since the Great Lake Region countries have committed to utilise MDR in their humanitarian demining efforts, the Tanzanian Government plans to increase the number of trained MDR to respond to the demand from these countries (2006).</p> <p>In 2007, The United Republic of Tanzania reported that the Great Lake Region countries plan to utilize mine detection rats in their humanitarian demining efforts, so the Government of Tanzania requested 1,000 deactivated anti-personnel mines from the Government of Mozambique with the aim of training more MDR to respond to the demand of these countries (2007).</p> |
| Uruguay  |  |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)                   |  |
| Yemen  | In its transparency report submitted in 2007, Yemen indicated that retained anti-personnel mines are used train dogs.  |
| Zambia   | In 2009, Zambia informed the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention that theoretical training has continued to be conducted in which trainees are exposed to the different types of mines retained for identification purposes. No practical field training has been conducted since 2007 due to budgetary constraints. Zambia Defence Force personnel on assignments to various peacekeeping operations undergo intensive mine detection during pre-deployment training and these have proven to be reliable in dealing with mines and other ordnance in the mission areas. In addition, Zambia noted that a major benefit on the usage of retained mines for training has been the cost-effectiveness of ridding the country of mines and UXO as the national capacity has professionally conducted mine clearance in suspected areas across the country at a much reduced cost.   |
| Zimbabwe   | Zimbabwe reported that retained mines will be used during training of Zimbabwe's troops and deminers in order to enable them to identify and learn how to detect, handle, neutralise and destroy the mines in Zimbabwean minefields (2008).  |

## Appendix XI

### The status of legal measures in accordance with Article 9

**A. States Parties that have reported that they have adopted legislation in the context of article 9 obligations**

|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| Albania                | Kiribati   |
| Australia              | Latvia   |
| Austria                | Liechtenstein  |
| Belarus                | Luxembourg   |
| Belgium                | Malaysia   |
| Belize                 | Mali   |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina | Malta  |
| Brazil                 | Mauritania   |
| Burkina Faso           | Mauritius  |
| Burundi                | Monaco   |
| Cambodia               | New Zealand  |
| Canada                 | Nicaragua  |
| Chad                   | Niger  |
| Colombia               | Norway   |
| Cook Islands           | Peru   |
| Costa Rica             | St Vincent and the<br>Grenadines                           |
| Croatia                | Senegal  |
| Cyprus                 | Seychelles   |
| Czech Republic         | South Africa   |
| Djibouti               | Spain  |
| El Salvador            | Sweden   |
| France                 | Switzerland  |
| Germany                | Trinidad and Tobago  |
| Guatemala              | Turkey   |
| Honduras               | United Kingdom of Great<br>Britain and Northern<br>Ireland |
| Hungary                | Ireland  |
| Iceland                | Yemen  |
| Ireland                | Zambia   |
| Italy                  | Zimbabwe   |
| Japan                  |  |
| Jordan                 |  |

**B. States Parties that have reported that they consider existing laws to be sufficient in the context of article 9 obligations**

|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Algeria                  | Guinea-Bissau |
| Andorra                  | Holy See      |
| Argentina                | Indonesia     |
| Bulgaria                 | Kuwait        |
| Central African Republic | Lesotho       |
| Chile                    | Lithuania     |
| Denmark                  | Mexico        |
| Estonia                  | Montenegro    |
| Ethiopia                 | Namibia       |
| Greece                   | Netherlands   |

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Papua New Guinea    | The former Yugoslav   |
| Portugal            | Republic of Macedonia |
| Republic of Moldova | Tunisia               |
| Romania             | Ukraine               |
| Samoa               | United Republic of    |
| Slovakia            | Tanzania              |
| Slovenia            | Venezuela (Bolivarian |
| Tajikistan          | Republic of)          |

**C. States Parties that have not yet reported having either adopted legislation in the context of Article 9 legislation or that they consider existing laws are sufficient**

|                                  |                       |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Afghanistan                      | Jamaica               |
| Angola                           | Kenya                 |
| Antigua and Barbuda              | Liberia               |
| Bahamas                          | Madagascar            |
| Bangladesh                       | Malawi                |
| Barbados                         | Maldives              |
| Benin                            | Mozambique            |
| Bhutan                           | Nauru                 |
| Bolivia (Plurinational State of) | Nigeria               |
| Botswana                         | Niue                  |
| Brunei Darussalam                | Palau                 |
| Cameroon                         | Panama                |
| Cape Verde                       | Paraguay              |
| Comoros                          | Philippines           |
| Congo                            | Qatar                 |
| Côte d'Ivoire                    | Rwanda                |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | Saint Kitts and Nevis |
| Dominica                         | Saint Lucia           |
| Dominican Republic               | San Marino            |
| Ecuador                          | Sao Tome and Principe |
| Equatorial Guinea                | Serbia                |
| Eritrea                          | Sierra Leone          |
| Fiji                             | Solomon Islands       |
| Gabon                            | Sudan                 |
| Gambia                           | Suriname              |
| Ghana                            | Swaziland             |
| Grenada                          | Thailand              |
| Guinea                           | Timor-Leste           |
| Guyana                           | Togo                  |
| Haiti                            | Turkmenistan          |
| Iraq                             | Uganda                |
|                                  | Uruguay               |
|                                  | Vanuatu               |

## Appendix XII

### States Parties that have served as Co-Chairs and Co-Rapporteurs, 1999-2009

|      | <i>General Status and Operation of the Convention</i> | <i>Stockpile Destruction</i> | <i>Victim Assistance and Socio-Economic Reintegration<sup>1</sup></i> | <i>Mine Clearance, Mine Risk Education and Mine Action Technologies<sup>2</sup></i> |
|------|---|------------------------------|---|---|
| 1999 | Co-Chairs:  | Co-Chairs:                   | Co-Chairs:  | Co-Chairs:  |
| -    | - Canada & South Africa                               | - Hungary & Mali             | - Mexico & Switzerland  | - Mozambique & United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland                 |
| 2000 | Co-Rapporteurs:                                       | Co-Rapporteurs:              | Co-Rapporteurs:   | Co-Rapporteurs:   |
| -    | - Belgium & Zimbabwe                                  | - Malaysia & Slovakia        | - Japan & Nicaragua   | - the Netherlands & Peru  |
| 2000 | Co-Chairs:  | Co-Chairs:                   | Co-Chairs:  | Co-Chairs:  |
| -    | - Belgium & Zimbabwe                                  | - Malaysia & Slovakia        | - Japan & Nicaragua   | - the Netherlands & Peru  |
| 2001 | Co-Rapporteurs:                                       | Co-Rapporteurs:              | Co-Rapporteurs:   | Co-Rapporteurs:   |
| -    | - Norway & Thailand                                   | - Australia & Croatia        | - Canada & Honduras   | - Germany & Yemen   |
| 2001 | Co-Chairs:  | Co-Chairs:                   | Co-Chairs:  | Co-Chairs:  |
| -    | - Norway & Thailand                                   | - Australia & Croatia        | - Canada & Honduras   | - Germany & Yemen   |
| 2002 | Co-Rapporteurs:                                       | Co-Rapporteurs:              | Co-Rapporteurs:   | Co-Rapporteurs:   |
| -    | - Austria & Peru                                      | - Romania and Switzerland    | - Colombia & France   | - Belgium & Kenya   |

<sup>1</sup> Until the end of the 2000-2001 Intersessional Work Programme, this Standing Committee was called the “Standing Committee on Victim Assistance, Socio-Economic Reintegration and Mine Awareness”.

<sup>2</sup> Until the end of the 1999-2000 Intersessional Work Programme, this Standing Committee was called “the Standing Committee of Experts on Mine Clearance” when it was merged with the “Standing Committee of Experts on Mine Action Technologies” to become the “Standing Committee on Mine Clearance and Related Technologies.” Following the end of the 2000-2001 Intersessional Work Programme, it became the “Standing Committee on Mine Clearance, Mine Awareness and Mine Action Technologies”, with the name again changing following the 2001-2002 Intersessional Work Programme to become the “Standing Committee on Mine Clearance, Mine Risk Education and Mine Action Technologies”.

|      | <i>General Status and Operation of the Convention</i> | <i>Stockpile Destruction</i>                             | <i>Victim Assistance and Socio-Economic Reintegration<sup>1</sup></i> | <i>Mine Clearance, Mine Risk Education and Mine Action Technologies<sup>2</sup></i> |
|------|---|--|---|---|
| 2002 | Co-Chairs:<br>- Austria & Peru                        | Co-Chairs:<br>- Romania and Switzerland                  | Co-Chairs:<br>- Colombia & France                                     | Co-Chairs:<br>- Belgium & Kenya   |
| 2003 | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Mexico & the Netherlands         | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Guatemala & Italy                   | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Australia & Croatia                              | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Cambodia & Japan   |
| 2003 | Co-Chairs:<br>- Mexico & the Netherlands              | Co-Chairs:<br>- Guatemala & Italy                        | Co-Chairs:<br>- Australia & Croatia                                   | Co-Chairs:<br>- Cambodia & Japan  |
| 2004 | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- New Zealand & South Africa       | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Bangladesh & Canada                 | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Nicaragua & Norway                               | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Algeria and Sweden   |
| 2004 | Co-Chairs:<br>- New Zealand & South Africa            | Co-Chairs:<br>- Bangladesh & Canada                      | Co-Chairs:<br>- Nicaragua & Norway                                    | Co-Chairs:<br>- Algeria and Sweden  |
| 2005 | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Belgium & Guatemala              | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Japan & United Republic of Tanzania | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Afghanistan & Switzerland                        | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Jordan & Slovenia  |
| 2005 | Co-Chairs:<br>- Belgium & Guatemala                   | Co-Chairs:<br>- Japan & United Republic of Tanzania      | Co-Chairs:<br>- Afghanistan & Switzerland                             | Co-Chairs:<br>- Jordan & Slovenia   |
| 2006 | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Argentina & Italy                | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Algeria & Estonia                   | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Austria & Sudan                                  | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Chile & Norway   |
| 2006 | Co-Chairs:<br>- Argentina & Italy                     | Co-Chairs:<br>- Algeria & Estonia                        | Co-Chairs:<br>- Austria & Sudan                                       | Co-Chairs:<br>- Chile & Norway  |
| 2007 | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Germany & Kenya                  | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Lithuania & Serbia                  | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Cambodia & New Zealand                           | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Canada & Peru  |
| 2007 | Co-Chairs:<br>- Germany & Kenya                       | Co-Chairs:<br>- Lithuania & Serbia                       | Co-Chairs:<br>- Cambodia & New Zealand                                | Co-Chairs:<br>- Canada & Peru   |
| 2008 | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Chile & Japan                    | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Italy & Zambia                      | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Belgium & Thailand                               | Co-Rapporteurs:<br>- Argentina & Australia  |

|      | <i>General Status and<br/>Operation of the Convention</i> | <i>Stockpile Destruction</i> | <i>Victim Assistance and Socio-<br/>Economic Reintegration<sup>1</sup></i> | <i>Mine Clearance, Mine Risk<br/>Education and Mine Action<br/>Technologies<sup>2</sup></i> |
|------|---|------------------------------|--|---|
| 2008 | Co-Chairs:  | Co-Chairs:                   | Co-Chairs:   | Co-Chairs:  |
| -    | - Chile & Japan   | - Italy & Zambia             | - Belgium & Thailand   | - Argentina & Australia   |
| 2009 | Co-Rapporteurs:   | Co-Rapporteurs:              | Co-Rapporteurs:  | Co-Rapporteurs:   |
|      | - Ecuador & Slovenia                                      | - Bulgaria &<br>Indonesia    | - Peru & Turkey  | - Greece & Nigeria  |

## Appendix XIII

### ISU Trust Fund contributions 2001 to 2009

|                         | 2001      | 2002      | 2003       | 2004      | 2005      | 2006      | 2007       | 2008      | 2009       | Total<br>Contributions |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|------------------------|
| Albania                 |           |           |            |           |           | CHF1'000  | CHF1'000   | CHF1'000  |            | CHF3'000               |
| Australia               | CHF25'668 |           | CHF45'045  | CHF29'011 | CHF38'572 | CHF76'044 | CHF80'104  | CHF63'000 | CHF86'500  | CHF443'944             |
| Austria                 |           | CHF8'030  |            | CHF70'380 | CHF70'840 |           | CHF89'970  | CHF55'873 |            | CHF295'093             |
| Belgium                 |           | CHF12'012 | CHF14'470  |           | CHF23'094 | CHF38'492 | CHF48'535  |           |            | CHF136'603             |
| Bosnia &<br>Herzegovina |           |           |            |           | CHF2'560  |           |            |           |            | CHF2'560               |
| Burundi                 |           |           |            |           |           | CHF600    |            |           |            | CHF600                 |
| Canada                  |           | CHF92'589 | CHF46'553  | CHF47'789 | CHF57'137 | CHF53'660 | CHF105'619 | CHF18'936 | CHF139'362 | CHF561'644             |
| Chile                   |           |           |            | CHF11'500 | CHF24'300 | CHF18'150 | CHF17'530  | CHF15'285 | CHF21'281  | CHF108'046             |
| Croatia                 |           |           | CHF1'357   | CHF2'580  |           |           |            |           |            | CHF3'937               |
| Czech Republic          |           |           | CHF39'375  | CHF37'295 | CHF38'010 | CHF56'691 | CHF58'593  | CHF67'040 |            | CHF297'004             |
| Cyprus                  |           |           |            |           |           | CHF2'700  |            | CHF2'700  | CHF4,560   | CHF9'960               |
| Estonia                 |           |           |            |           |           | CHF2'340  | CHF4'056   |           |            | CHF6'396               |
| Germany                 |           |           | CHF38'250  | CHF37'500 |           | CHF23'357 | CHF24'229  | CHF24'299 | CHF60'448  | CHF207'809             |
| Hungary                 |           |           |            | CHF12'400 | CHF12'700 | CHF12'500 | CHF10'927  | CHF10'737 |            | CHF59'264              |
| Iceland                 |           |           | CHF6'550   | CHF10'000 | CHF1'300  |           |            |           |            | CHF17'850              |
| Ireland                 |           | CHF73'990 |            |           | CHF53'900 |           | CHF24'445  | CHF55'081 |            | CHF207'415             |
| Italy                   |           | CHF78'408 | CHF120'218 | CHF60'000 | CHF61'600 | CHF71'550 | CHF80'240  | CHF64'796 |            | CHF536'812             |
| Lithuania               |           |           |            |           | CHF5'345  |           | CHF10'000  |           |            | CHF15'345              |
| Luxembourg              |           |           |            |           | CHF23'100 |           |            |           |            | CHF23'100              |
| Malaysia                |           |           |            | CHF1'833  |           | CHF5'162  |            | CHF1'774  |            | CHF8'769               |
| Malta                   |           |           |            |           |           | CHF750    | CHF1'800   |           |            | CHF2'550               |
| Mexico                  |           | CHF8'880  |            | CHF7'500  | CHF12'300 | CHF6'250  |            |           |            | CHF34'930              |
| Netherlands             |           | CHF94'032 |            | CHF63'000 | CHF7'000  | CHF32'000 |            |           |            | CHF196'032             |

|   | 2001       | 2002       | 2003       | 2004       | 2005       | 2006       | 2007       | 2008       | 2009       | Total<br>Contributions |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------------------|
| New Zealand   |            |            | CHF19'064  |            |            |            |            |            |            | CHF19'064              |
| Nigeria   |            |            |            |            | CHF2'460   | CHF3'630   |            |            |            | CHF6'090               |
| Norway  | CHF96'698  | CHF100'778 | CHF91'750  | CHF101'667 | CHF108'962 | CHF113'610 | CHF161'526 | CHF157'558 | CHF130'846 | CHF1'063'395           |
| Philippines   |            |            |            |            |            | CHF1'300   |            |            |            | CHF1'300               |
| Qatar   |            |            |            |            |            |            |            | CHF11'921  |            | CHF11'921              |
| Senegal   |            |            |            |            |            | CHF4'827   |            |            |            | CHF4'827               |
| South Africa  | CHF4'976   |            |            |            |            | CHF5'305   |            |            |            | CHF10'281              |
| Slovenia  |            |            |            |            |            | CHF6'496   | CHF6'740   | CHF7'907   |            | CHF21'143              |
| Spain   |            |            |            |            |            | CHF7'950   | CHF48'660  | CHF44'133  | CHF59'732  | CHF160'475             |
| Sweden  |            |            | CHF34'068  |            |            |            | CHF35'058  |            |            | CHF69'126              |
| Thailand  |            |            | CHF6'950   |            |            |            |            |            |            | CHF6'950               |
| Turkey  |            |            |            |            | CHF1'200   | CHF1'250   | CHF1'753   | CHF1'974   | CHF3'348   | CHF9'525               |
| United Kingdom<br>of Great Britain<br>and Northern<br>Ireland |            |            |            | CHF11'168  |            |            |            |            |            | CHF11'168              |
|   | CHF127'342 | CHF468'719 | CHF463'650 | CHF503'623 | CHF544'379 | CHF545'614 | CHF810'783 | CHF606'020 | CHF506'078 | CHF4'173'102           |

**Part III:  
Ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines:  
the Cartagena Action Plan 2010-2014 (as adopted at the final  
plenary meeting on 4 December 2009)**

**Introduction**

1. Reaffirming the fundamental goals of preventing mine casualties and promoting and protecting the human rights of mine survivors, and addressing the needs of mine victims, including survivors, their affected families and communities,
2. Reaffirming their unconditional commitment to the universalization and the full and effective implementation of the Convention,
3. Guided by the knowledge that collectively they are responsible for promoting compliance with the Convention,
4. Building on the Nairobi Action Plan and the accomplishments made in its application as well as the conclusions on implementation as reflected in the documents adopted at the Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World,
5. Affirming the importance of new international humanitarian and human rights instruments that, inter alia, reflects enhanced understanding of victim assistance since the Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World,
6. Recognizing the special partnerships in the universalization and implementation of the Convention with the United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross and the International Campaign to Ban Landmines,
7. Pursuing a gender-sensitive, age-appropriate, inclusive, coherent and coordinated approach to the development and implementation of relevant national policies, plans, legal frameworks and instruments of international law,
8. Pledging to translate this action plan into sustainable progress while acknowledging their respective local, national and regional circumstances in its practical implementation.

**The States Parties agree to undertake the following actions in the period 2010 – 2014, in support of enhanced implementation and promotion of the Convention:**

**I. Universalizing the Convention**

9. States Parties are resolved to achieve universal adherence to the Convention and its norms in order to realize the goal of a world free of anti-personnel mines. To this end:

**All States Parties will:**

**Action #1:** Seize every opportunity to promote ratification of and accession to the Convention, in particular in regions with low adherence to the Convention.

**Action #2:** Encourage and support the universalization efforts of all relevant partners, including international organizations, regional organizations, international and national non-governmental organizations as well as the formal and informal mechanisms of the Convention.

**Action #3:** Seize every opportunity to promote and encourage adherence to the norms of the Convention.

**Action #4:** Continue promoting universal observance of the Conventions' norms, by condemning, and taking appropriate steps to end the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines by armed non-state actors.

**Action #5:** Condemn and continue to discourage in every possible way any production, transfer and use of anti-personnel mines by any actor.

**Action #6:** Encourage States not Parties, particularly those that have professed support for the humanitarian objectives of the Convention, to participate in the work of the Convention.

## **II. Destroying stockpiled anti-personnel mines**

10. States Parties are resolved to ensure the expeditious and timely destruction of all stockpiled anti-personnel mines in accordance with Article 4, limit to the absolute minimum necessary the number of anti-personnel mines retained under Article 3, prevent further cases of non-compliance, and report as required by Article 7 and in line with the recommendations made by the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties. To this end:

**States Parties that have missed their deadlines for completion of obligations under Article 4, and thus remain non-compliant with the Convention, will:**

**Action #7:** Comply, without delay, with Article 4, by destroying all stockpiles of anti-personnel mines.

**Action #8:** Immediately communicate, to all States Parties, the reasons, which should be cases of force majeure, for failing to comply.

**Action #9:** Provide a plan to ensure compliance as soon as possible and in strict conformity with relevant safety and environmental standards, including for this purpose relevant [legislative] measures taken, structures established, committed national resources, assistance needed and committed, and an expected completion date.

**All States Parties yet to complete their obligations under Article 4 will:**

**Action #10:** Take all necessary steps to comply with Article 4 as soon as possible, develop necessary national policies, plans, legal frameworks and destruction capacity, prepare plans to implement Article 4 by their deadlines within the first year of becoming a State Party and to begin destroying stockpiles within two years of joining the Convention.

**Action #11:** Report on the progress of implementation of Article 4, including steps taken at national level, anticipated particular technical and operational challenges, resources allocated and number of anti-personnel mines destroyed, to other States Parties through annual transparency reports, at every meeting of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction and at every Meeting of the States Parties or Review Conference.

**All States Parties will:**

**Action #12:** When previously unknown stockpiles are discovered after stockpile destruction deadlines have passed, report such discoveries in accordance with their obligations under Article 7, and in addition take advantage of other informal means to share such information as soon as possible and destroy these anti-personnel mines as a matter of urgent priority.

## **III. Clearing mined areas**

11. States Parties are resolved to ensure the expeditious identification of all mined areas under their jurisdiction or control and to ensure the clearance and release of these areas as soon as possible, even if an extension has been granted. The speed and manner of mine

clearance will have crucial implications for development and human security - the safety and well-being of affected individuals and their communities. To this end:

**The States Parties that have been granted an extension to their initial Article 5 deadline will:**

**Action #13:** Complete implementation of Article 5 as soon as possible but not later than their extended deadlines, ensure progress toward completion proceeds in accordance with the commitments made in their extension requests and the decisions taken on their requests, and report regularly on such progress to the meetings of the Standing Committee on Mine Clearance, Mine Risk Education and Mine Action Technologies, Meetings of the States Parties and Review Conferences.

**States Parties that have reported mined areas under their jurisdiction or control, will do their utmost to:**

**Action #14:** Identify, if they have not yet done so, the precise perimeters and locations, to the extent possible, of all areas under their jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines are known or are suspected to be emplaced, report this information as required by Article 7, no later than the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties, and incorporate the information into national action plans and relevant broader development and reconstruction plans.

**Action #15:** Ensure that all available methods for the full and expedient implementation of Article 5 (1), as recommended by States Parties at the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties, are applied where and as relevant, by developing and implementing applicable national standards, policies and procedures for releasing land through technical and non-technical means that are accountable and acceptable to local communities, including through the involvement of women and men in the acceptance process.

**Action #16:** Take full national ownership of their Article 5 obligations by developing, implementing and regularly reviewing national mine action strategies and associated policies, plans, budget policies and legal frameworks, and inform the Standing Committee on Mine Clearance, Mine Risk Education and Mine Action Technologies on their implementation.

**Action #17:** Provide annually, in accordance with Article 7, precise information on the number, location and size of mined areas, anticipated particular technical or operational challenges, plans to clear or otherwise release these areas and information on the areas already released, disaggregated by release through clearance, technical survey and non-technical survey.

**Action #18:** Provide access to all mined border areas where access may be difficult or contested, without prejudice to potential border delineation, to ensure that clearance can proceed as soon as possible, making use of the good offices of Presidents of Meetings of the States Parties or Review Conferences or other third parties as appropriate.

**Action #19:** Provide mine risk reduction and education programmes, as part of broader risk assessment and reduction activities targeting the most at-risk populations, which are age-appropriate and gender-sensitive, coherent with applicable national and international standards, tailored to the needs of mine-affected communities and integrated into ongoing mine action activities, in particular data gathering, clearance and victim assistance as appropriate.

**Action #20:** Ensure that all relevant mine action actors inform and actively involve affected local communities and survivors in the assessment of needs, planning and prioritization of activities, and handover of cleared land, by utilising community liaison or other similar means to ensure meaningful participation of all stakeholders.

**States Parties that have reported mined areas under their jurisdiction or control but due to exceptional circumstances need to request an extension to their 10-year deadline, will:**

**Action #21:** Inform the States Parties of these exceptional circumstances in due time, develop the extension request in line with the recommendations made by the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties and utilise the opportunity for informal dialogue with the group mandated to analyze the extension request.

**All States Parties will:**

**Action #22:** When previously unknown mined areas are discovered after reporting compliance with Article 5 (1), report such discoveries in accordance with their obligations under Article 7, take advantage of other informal means to share such information and destroy the anti-personnel mines in these areas as a matter of urgent priority.

#### **IV. Assisting the victims**

12. States Parties are resolved to provide adequate age- and gender-sensitive assistance to mine victims, through a holistic and integrated approach that includes emergency and continuing medical care, physical rehabilitation, psychological support, and social and economic inclusion in accordance with applicable international humanitarian and human rights law, with the aim of ensuring their full and effective participation and inclusion in the social, cultural, economic and political life of their communities.

13. Victim assistance should be integrated into broader national policies, plans and legal frameworks related to disability, health, education, employment, development and poverty reduction, while placing particular emphasis on ensuring that mine victims have access to specialised services when needed and can access on an equal basis services available to the wider population.

14. States Parties are resolved not to discriminate against or among mine victims, or between mine survivors and other persons with disabilities, and to ensure that differences in treatment should only be based on medical, rehabilitative, psychological or socio-economic needs of the victims.

15. Victim assistance shall be made available, affordable, accessible and sustainable.

16. The principles of equality and non-discrimination, full inclusion and participation, openness, accountability and transparency shall guide victim assistance efforts.

**To this end, States Parties, particularly those accountable to and responsible for the well-being of significant numbers of mine victims, will reinforce their efforts and will do their utmost to:**

**Action #23:** Ensure the inclusion and full and active participation of mine victims and their representative organisations as well as other relevant stakeholders in victim assistance related activities, in particular as regards the national action plan, legal frameworks and policies, implementation mechanisms, monitoring and evaluation.

**Action #24:** Establish, if they have not yet done so, an inter-ministerial/inter-sectoral coordination mechanism for the development, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of relevant national policies, plans and legal frameworks, and ensure that this focal entity has the authority and resources to carry out its task.

**Action #25:** Collect all necessary data, disaggregated by sex and age, in order to develop, implement, monitor and evaluate adequate national policies, plans and legal frameworks including by assessing the needs and priorities of mine victims and the availability and quality of relevant services, make such data available to all relevant stakeholders and

ensure that such efforts contribute to national injury surveillance and other relevant data collection systems for use in programme planning.

**Action #26:** Develop, or review and modify if necessary, implement, monitor and evaluate national policies, plans and legal frameworks with a view to meet the needs and human rights of mine victims.

**Action #27:** Develop and implement, if they have not yet done so, a comprehensive plan of action and budget that addresses the rights and needs of mine victims through objectives that are specific, measurable, achievable, relevant and time bound, ensuring that such a plan is integrated into broader relevant national policies, plans, and legal frameworks.

**Action #28:** Monitor and evaluate progress regarding victim assistance within broader national policies, plans and legal frameworks on an ongoing basis, encourage relevant States Parties to report on the progress made, including resources allocated to implementation and challenges in achieving their objectives, and encourage States Parties in a position to do so to also report on how they are responding to efforts to address the rights and needs of mine victims.

**Action #29:** Ensure the continued involvement and effective contribution in all relevant convention related activities by health, rehabilitation, social services, education, employment, gender and disability rights experts, including mine survivors, inter alia by supporting the inclusion of such expertise in their delegations.

**Action #30:** Strengthen national ownership as well as develop and implement capacity building and training plans to promote and enhance the capacity of the women, men and associations of victims, other organisations and national institutions charged with delivering services and implementing relevant national policies, plans and legal frameworks.

**Action #31:** Increase availability of and accessibility to appropriate services for female and male mine victims, by removing physical, social, cultural, economic, political and other barriers, including by expanding quality services in rural and remote areas and paying particular attention to vulnerable groups.

**Action #32:** Ensure that appropriate services are accessible through the development, dissemination and application of existing relevant standards, accessibility guidelines and of good practices to enhance victim assistance efforts.

**Action #33:** Raise awareness among mine victims about their rights and available services, as well as within government authorities, service providers and the general public to foster respect for the rights and dignity of persons with disabilities including mine survivors.

## V. International cooperation and assistance for achieving the Convention's aims

17. States Parties recognize that fulfilling their obligations will require sustained substantial political, financial and material commitments, provided both through national commitments and international, regional and bilateral cooperation and assistance, in accordance with the obligations under Article 6.

**To this end, States Parties with obligations to destroy stockpiled anti-personnel mines, identify and clear mined areas, and assist mine victims, will:**

**Action #34:** Without delay, and no later than the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties, develop or update national plans as well as map the national resources available to meet their obligations and the needs for international cooperation and assistance.

**Action #35:** Make their needs known to other States Parties and relevant organisations if they require financial, technical or other forms of international cooperation and assistance

to meet obligations under the Convention, and identify these activities as a priority in relevant development goals and strategies.

**Action #36:** Promote technical cooperation, information exchange on good practices and other forms of mutual assistance with other affected States Parties to take advantage of the knowledge and expertise acquired in the course of fulfilling their obligations.

**States Parties in a position to do so will:**

**Action #37:** Promptly assist States Parties that have communicated needs for support for stockpile destruction, mine clearance, mine risk education and victim assistance, responding to the priorities for assistance as articulated by mine-affected States Parties themselves in their national plans and ensuring the continuity and sustainability of resource commitments.

**Action #38:** Support specialised mine action programmes, providing where possible multi-year funding to facilitate long-term planning of mine action programmes, under national management and ownership, paying particular attention to the specific needs and circumstances of the least developed States Parties, and ensuring that mine action remains a high priority, including in broader humanitarian, development assistance, disarmament and security programmes.

**Action #39:** Support the national efforts of those States Parties with clearly demonstrated needs to develop their capacities to provide assistance to mine victims and other persons with disabilities by providing where possible multi-year financial, material or technical assistance in response to the priorities of the affected State to facilitate long-term planning, implementation and monitoring of victim assistance-related activities.

**Action #40:** In the spirit of the Convention's aims, endeavour to continue supporting States Parties that have completed their Article 5 obligations in their efforts to address the humanitarian consequences resulting from mine and explosive remnants of war contamination.

**Action #41:** Ensure that international cooperation and assistance, including development cooperation, is age-appropriate and gender-sensitive and inclusive of, and accessible to, persons with disabilities, including mine survivors.

**Action #42:** Support the further investigation and development of technical solutions to overcome the particular challenges associated with destroying PFM mines.

**Action #43:** Continue to support, as appropriate, mine action to assist populations in areas where armed non-state actors operate including by facilitating access for humanitarian organizations.

**All States Parties will:**

**Action #44:** Ensure that mine action activities of the United Nations, national and international non-governmental organizations and other actors, where relevant, are incorporated into national mine action planning frameworks and are consistent with national priorities and international obligations.

**Action #45:** Develop and promote regional cooperation in sharing and effectively using national experiences and good practices, resources, technology and expertise in stockpile destruction and mine clearance, to implement the Convention and to engage the cooperation of regional organizations.

**Action #46:** Develop and promote regional and bilateral cooperation in sharing and effectively using national experiences and good practices, resources, technology and expertise in addressing the rights and needs of mine victims and other persons with

disabilities, to implement the Convention and to engage the cooperation of regional organizations.

**Action #47:** Strengthen the partnerships between affected and non-affected States Parties and among affected States Parties to identify and mobilise new technical, material and financial sources of support for activities to implement the Convention.

**Action #48:** Ensure that the Convention and its informal mechanisms include and provide a specific and effective framework for identifying needs and mobilising national and international resources to meet these needs.

**Action #49:** Contribute to further development of the International Mine Action Standards to be used as a frame of reference to establish national standards and operational procedures for addressing all aspects of mine and other explosive ordnance contamination.

**Action #50:** In recognition of the pivotal role of mine action in meeting the UN Millennium Development Goals, continue to promote the inclusion of mine action activities into ongoing development programmes, bearing in mind the international aid effectiveness agenda, and to promote the identification of mine action as a priority in local, national and international development actions, in cooperation with regional and international organizations and the international financial institutions.

**Action #51:** Ensure cooperation among all relevant actors to improve national and international policies and development strategies, enhance effectiveness in mine action and reduce the need to rely on international personnel.

**Action #52:** Ensure that assistance in mine action is based on appropriate surveys, needs analysis, age-appropriate and gender-sensitive strategies and cost-effective approaches.

## **VI. Additional actions essential to achieving the Convention's aims**

### *Compliance*

**Action #53:** All States Parties will, in case of alleged or known non-compliance with the Convention, work together with the States Parties concerned to resolve the matter expeditiously in a manner consistent with Article 8 (1).

### *Reporting and transparency*

States Parties that have not submitted their initial Article 7 report will:

**Action #54:** Immediately fulfil their obligation to initially submit and annually update Article 7 transparency reports.

All States Parties will:

**Action #55:** Maximise and take full advantage of the flexibility of the Article 7 reporting process as a tool to assist in implementation, including through the reporting format "Form J" to provide information on matters which may assist in the implementation process and in resource mobilization, such as information on international cooperation and assistance, victim assistance efforts and needs and information on measures being taken to ensure gender sensitization in all aspects of mine action.

States Parties that have retained anti-personnel mines under Article 3 of the Convention will:

**Action #56:** Regularly review the number of anti-personnel mines retained to ensure that they constitute the minimum number absolutely necessary for the purposes permitted by the Convention and destroy all those exceeding that number and where appropriate explore available alternatives to using live anti-personnel mines for training and research activities.

Action #57: Annually report, on a voluntary basis, on the plans for and actual use of anti-personnel mines retained, explain any increase or decrease in the number of retained anti-personnel mines.

All States Parties will:

Action #58: Encourage States Parties that have maintained, under the provisions of Article 3, the same number of anti-personnel mines over periods of years, and have not reported on the use of such mines for permitted purposes or on concrete plans for their use, to report on such use and such plans and to review whether these anti-personnel mines are needed and constitute the minimum number absolutely necessary for permitted purposes and to destroy those that are in excess of this number.

#### *Accountability*

States Parties that have not developed national implementation measures will:

Action #59: As a matter of urgency, develop and adopt legislative, administrative and other measures in accordance with Article 9, to fulfil their obligations under this Article and thereby contributing to full compliance with the Convention.

All States Parties will:

Action #60: Share information on implementing legislation and its application through reports made in accordance with Article 7 and the Intersessional Work Programme.

Action #61: Recognize that when armed non-state actors operate under State Parties' jurisdiction or control, such non-state actors will be held responsible for acts prohibited to States Parties under the Convention, in accordance with national measures taken under Article 9.

### **Implementation partnerships and support**

All States Parties will:

Action #62: Recognize and further encourage the full participation in and contribution to the implementation of the Convention by the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, the International Committee of the Red Cross, national Red Cross and Red Crescent societies and their International Federation, the United Nations, the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining, international and regional organizations, mine survivors and their organizations, and other civil society organizations.

Action #63: Support the efforts of the President and the Coordinating Committee to ensure effective and transparent preparations and conduct of meetings of the Convention.

Action #64: Recognize the essential role of the Implementation Support Unit, hosted by the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining, in implementing the Convention, including by preparing the meetings of the Standing Committees, the Meetings of the States Parties and Review Conferences, supporting the President and the Coordinating Committee, providing advisory services to the States Parties and by administering the Sponsorship Programme.

Action #65: Make use of synergies with other relevant instruments of international humanitarian and human rights law.

States Parties in a position to do so will:

Action #66: Provide necessary financial resources for the effective operation of the Implementation Support Unit.

Action #67: Contribute to the Sponsorship Programme thereby permitting widespread representation at meetings of the Convention, particularly by mine-affected developing States Parties.

## **Part IV:**

### **A shared commitment for a mine-free world: the 2009 Cartagena Declaration (as adopted at the final plenary meeting on 4 December 2009)**

1. We, the high representatives of the States Parties to the Convention banning anti-personnel mines, gathered here at the Cartagena Summit, reaffirm our commitment to ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines and to achieving a world free of mines. We are convinced that we will reach this goal in our lifetime.
2. Inspired by our collective achievements, we will strengthen our efforts to overcome the remaining challenges.

#### **A decade of saving lives**

3. The number of persons killed or injured by anti-personnel mines has fallen considerably since the Convention entered into force in 1999.
4. Survivors are receiving better care and their human rights have been enhanced. We are inspired by the survivors who participate actively in their communities and in the work of the Convention.
5. Countless lives and limbs have been saved through the destruction of more than 42 million stockpiled anti-personnel mines and the clearance of vast mined areas. We are proud of this humanitarian accomplishment, and of our contribution to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals.
6. Our aim is universal adherence to the Convention. One-hundred-fifty-six States have already joined the Convention and will never again use anti-personnel mines and nearly all other States observe the global norm it has established. Endeavours to convince other actors not to use anti-personnel mines are bearing fruit.
7. We are proud that the Convention has strengthened international humanitarian law and inspired the development of other instruments for the protection of civilians.
8. These achievements are the result of the partnership we have built between affected and other States, international organisations and civil society.

#### **People remain at risk**

9. Despite great efforts and much progress, we have still not been able to fulfil all the promises we as States Parties to the Convention have made to mine victims and to people living with the daily threat caused by anti-personnel mines.
10. Thousands of people – women, girls, boys and men – are injured or killed by anti-personnel mines every year. People living in affected areas remain at risk and the development of their communities is hindered by the presence of anti-personnel mines.
11. A small number of States not parties to the Convention and several armed non-state actors still use anti-personnel mines, causing new humanitarian challenges and continued suffering.
12. As long as people remain at risk, we are compelled to do more to achieve our goal. Compliance makes a difference.

**A mine free world is possible**

13. We continue to be guided by the humanitarian imperative that led to the Convention.
14. We will ensure the full and effective participation and inclusion of mine victims in the social, cultural, economic and political life of their communities. Our victim assistance efforts will meet the highest international standards in order to fulfill the rights and fundamental freedoms of survivors and other persons with disabilities.
15. We will ensure that all efforts to implement the Convention will involve young and old, women and men, girls and boys, and reflect their views. The dignity and well-being of survivors, their families and communities will be at the core of our efforts.
16. We reaffirm our aim of zero new victims through clearing all mined areas and destroying all anti-personnel mines still in stock as soon as possible. We condemn the use of anti-personnel mines by any actor, including armed non-state actors.
17. We call on all States not yet party to the Convention to join the vast majority of States in our struggle against this weapon.
18. We will make use of synergies with other instruments of international humanitarian and human rights law.
19. We will continue and enhance our cooperation with international organisations and civil society to improve implementation of the Convention.
20. We will commit the necessary national and international resources and work together to pursue our common goal.
21. We appeal to the world to join us in our shared commitment for a mine-free world.

**Part V:  
Evaluation of the Implementation Support Unit (ISU) of the  
Convention on the prohibition of the use, stockpiling,  
production and transfer of anti-personnel mines and on their  
destruction: background paper and proposed mandate for  
possible elements for Terms of Reference (as adopted at the  
final plenary meeting on 4 December 2009)**

**Background**

1. In 2001, the Third Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction endorsed the President's Paper on the Establishment of an Implementation Support Unit. States Parties warmly welcomed the establishment, within the GICHD of an Implementation Support Unit to further enhance the operation and implementation of the Convention. Since then, the ISU's tasks have been developed and amended according to the demands of the States Parties. The States Parties have expressed their appreciation for the manner in which the ISU is making a positive contribution to implement the Convention.
2. At the same time, the work to implement and ensure compliance of the Convention has in many ways evolved and matured, and the demands on the ISU have increased in quantity and changed in quality. As a result, the competence and capacity of the ISU has developed to respond to increasing demands by States Parties. Activities such as support for victim assistance efforts, which started as a separate project, have evolved into ongoing continuous implementation support that constitutes part of the ISU's everyday responsibilities; activities formerly financed through special project funds increasingly rely on the Voluntary Trust Fund (VTF). Moreover, there is an increasing demand from States Parties for additional support on other implementation issues, including issues under Article 5.
3. Between 2001 and 2007, the voluntary contributions for the ISU covered the expenses and the ISU VTF closed with a positive remaining balance. From 2008, however, as a result of increasing requests from States Parties the financial situation of the ISU presents challenges because voluntary contributions through the ISU Trust Fund do not cover the ISU's budget. At the same time, contributions received were lower than expected.

**Proposed mandate and possible elements for Terms of Reference**

4. Given the above, the situation of the ISU merits an examination. At the upcoming Second Review Conference in Cartagena, under agenda item 9, an evaluation of the ISU is proposed. The States Parties should mandate a task force that will be responsible for an independent evaluation of the ISU for the year 2010 and for presenting recommendations on the future of the ISU to the States Parties.
5. This task force should be composed of the present (Norway), outgoing (Switzerland) and incoming Presidencies (...) of the Convention as well as the Co-Chairs and Co-Rapporteurs of the Standing Committees, the Contact Group Coordinators, the Sponsorship Programme Coordinator as well as other interested States Parties. The Task Force will be chaired by the present President. The group will decide on its own working methods, and will be responsible for hiring an independent consultant that will execute the evaluation.

6. In order to ensure a broad and comprehensive analysis the Task Force should take into account the views of States Parties and relevant stakeholders of the Convention. In order to ensure accountability, the task force should conduct its work in a transparent manner by keeping all States Parties informed of its work.

7. The Task Force should present a preliminary status report to the Meeting of the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention in June 2010 and present its final report and recommendations, in time for adoption at the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties.

### **Working Methods of the Task Force**

8. The States Parties mandate a Task Force for the year 2010. The Task Force will develop terms of reference and the basis of which the independent evaluation of the present situation of the ISU will take place, and present the evaluation and recommendations on the future of the ISU to the Meeting of the States Parties.

9. The evaluation and recommendations should address issues related to securing ISU's future support to the State Parties, including, but not limited to, the following issues:

- (a) The tasks and responsibilities of the ISU
- (b) The financing of the ISU
- (c) The institutional framework for the ISU

10. The Task Force will be composed of the present (Norway), outgoing (Switzerland) and incoming Presidencies (...) of the Convention, the Co-Chairs and Co-Rapporteurs of the Standing Committees, the Contact Group Coordinators, the Sponsorship Programme Coordinator as well as other interested States Parties. The Task Force will be chaired by the present President.

11. The Task Force will decide on its own working methods, including hiring an independent consultant.

12. In order to ensure a broad and comprehensive analysis the Task Force should take into account the views of States Parties.

13. In the evaluation process, views of relevant stakeholders will be taken into account, including as appropriate through their participation in meetings of the Task Force.

14. The Task Force will conduct its work in a transparent manner by keeping all States Parties informed of its work.

15. The Task Force will present a preliminary status report to the Meeting of the Standing Committee on the General Status and Operation of the Convention in June 2010 and present its final report and recommendations to all States Parties in time for adoption at the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties.

## **Annex I**

### **Agenda of the Second Review Conference (as adopted at the first plenary meeting on 30 November 2009)**

1. Opening of the Review Conference.
2. Election of the President.
3. Adoption of the agenda.
4. Adoption of the rules of procedure.
5. Adoption of the budget.
6. Election of the Vice-Presidents.
7. Confirmation of the Secretary-General.
8. Organization of work.
9. Review of the operation and status of the Convention:
  - (a) Assisting the victims;
  - (b) Cooperation and assistance;
  - (c) Universalizing the Convention;
  - (d) Clearing mined areas;
  - (e) Destroying stockpiled anti-personnel mines;
  - (f) Other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention.
10. Informal presentation of requests submitted under Article 5 and of the analyses of these requests.
11. Consideration of submissions of States Parties as provided for in Article 5.
12. Dates, duration and locations of future meetings.
13. Recommendation for adoption of the final documents.
14. High Level Segment.
15. Any other business.
16. Adoption of the final document.
17. Closure of the Review Conference.

## Annex II

### **Report on the process for the preparation, submission and consideration of requests for extensions to article 5 deadlines, 2008-2009 (as adopted at the first plenary meeting on 30 November 2009)**

1. At the 2006 Seventh Meeting of the States Parties (7MSP), the States Parties established “a process for the preparation, submission and consideration of requests for extension to Article 5 deadlines.” This process includes the President and the Co-Chairs and Co-rapporteurs of the Standing Committees jointly preparing an analysis of each. In doing so this group of 17 States Parties (hereafter referred to as the “analysing group”) is tasked, along with requesting States Parties, with cooperating fully to clarify issues and identify needs. In addition, in preparing each analysis, the analysing group in close consultation with the requesting State, should, where appropriate, draw on expert mine clearance, legal and diplomatic advice, using the Implementation Support Unit (ISU) to provide support. Ultimately, the President, acting on behalf of the Co-Chairs and Co-rapporteurs, is charged with submitting the analyses to the States Parties well before the Meeting of the States Parties or Review Conference preceding the requesting State’s deadline.
2. At the 7MSP, the States Parties agreed “to encourage States Parties seeking Article 5 extensions to submit their request to the President no fewer than nine months before the Meeting of the States Parties or Review Conference at which the decision on the request would need to be taken.” On 4 March 2009, the analysing group met to take stock of its workload for 2009, noting that three States Parties with 2010 deadlines – Argentina, Cambodia and Tajikistan – were recorded in the Geneva Progress Report of the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties as indicating they would submit requests in 2009. The analysing group further noted that there remained one State Party – Uganda – with a deadline in 2009 that neither submitted a request in 2008 nor, as of 4 March 2009 had completed implementation of Article 5. In addition, the analysing group noted that one State Party – Nicaragua – was granted an extended deadline that occurs prior to a presumed Tenth Meeting of the States Parties in 2010.
3. Also at its 4 March 2009 meeting, the analysing group agreed to carry out its work in accordance with the working methods adopted by the analysing group in 2008, as recorded by the President of the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties in document APLC/MSP.9/2008/WP.35.
4. On 31 March 2009, the 9MSP President received a request submitted by Tajikistan. On 27 April 2009 the President received a request submitted by Argentina. On 11 May the President received a request submitted by Cambodia. In keeping with the decisions of the 7MSP, on 15 May 2009 the 9MSP President wrote to all States Parties to inform them of receipt of these requests. In addition, the 9MSP President instructed the ISU to make these requests available to all interested parties on the Convention’s web site.
5. During the week of 25 to 29 May 2009, the analysing group held meetings to begin analysing the requests submitted by Argentina, Cambodia and Tajikistan. In addition, the analysing group held informal discussions with representatives of these requesting States. As well, expert input was obtained from demining operators who have been involved in humanitarian demining in Cambodia and Tajikistan. Following the May 2009 meetings of the analysing group, the President wrote to two requesting States Parties to seek further clarity regarding their requests. Input was subsequently provided by the States Parties and greatly appreciated by the analysing group.

6. On 3 July 2009, the analysing group met to continue its discussions on the requests that had been submitted. In addition, further to the 7MSP decisions and the practice employed in 2008, the analysing group received the expert advice of the ICBL and the ICRC given the broad scope of these organisations' expertise, concluding that this input provided was extremely useful.

7. In a letter dated 2 July 2009 which was received by the 9MSP soon afterwards, Uganda wrote to inform the President that Uganda would like to reverse its earlier position on meeting its Article 5 deadline "because of new challenges recently encountered in the field" and to indicate that it would submit a request for an extension of its 1 August 2009 deadline.

8. On 19 August 2009, the 9MSP President received a request from Uganda. In addition, on 25 August 2009, the 9MSP President received a revised request from Cambodia. The 9MSP President subsequently informed the States Parties of the receipt of these requests and made them available.

9. On 1 September 2009 and 25 September 2009, the analysing group met to conclude its work. As in 2008, in 2009 requesting States Parties were afforded an opportunity to comment on draft analyses prepared by the analysing group. In some instances, this resulted in minor changes to analyses and in additional information being made available to the States Parties to assist in their consideration of requests. Ultimately, analyses and final versions of executive summaries of requests were submitted simultaneously to the Executive Secretary of the Second Review Conference.

### **Observations and recommendations**

10. As was the case in 2008, in 2009 it was observed that some requesting States Parties, almost ten years after entry into force, still lacked clarity regarding "the location of all mined areas that contain, or are suspected to contain, antipersonnel mines under (their) jurisdiction or control", a matter which States Parties are obliged to report on in accordance with their obligations under Article 7 of the Convention. It is recommended, therefore, that all States Parties in the process of implementing Article 5, particularly those that may believe it will be necessary at a future date to submit an extension request, intensify and accelerate efforts to locate and report on all mined areas that contain, or are suspected to contain, anti-personnel mines under (their) jurisdiction or control.

11. The manner in which some survey efforts have distorted understanding regarding the nature, size and location of mined areas was again highlighted through requests submitted in 2009. In this context, it is recommended that States Parties and their partners that invest funds in landmine impact surveys and other surveys ensure that such efforts are carried out in an efficient and expeditious manner and produce operationally useful data for mine action planning.

## **Annex III**

### **Report on the functioning of the Implementation Support Unit November 2008 to November 2009 (as adopted at the first plenary meeting on 30 November 2009)**

#### **Background**

1. At the Third Meeting of the States Parties (3MSP) in September 2001, the States Parties endorsed the President's Paper on the Establishment of the Implementation Support Unit (ISU) and mandated the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD) to establish the ISU. The 3MSP also encouraged States Parties in a position to do so to make voluntary contributions in support of the ISU. In addition, the States Parties mandated the President of the 3MSP, in consultation with the Coordinating Committee, to finalise an agreement between the States Parties and the GICHD on the functioning of the ISU. The GICHD's Foundation Council accepted this mandate on 28 September 2001.

2. An agreement on the functioning of the ISU was finalised between the States Parties and the GICHD on 7 November 2001. This agreement indicates that the Director of the GICHD shall submit a written report on the functioning of the ISU to the States Parties and that this report shall cover the period between two Meetings of the States Parties. This report has been prepared to cover the period between the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties (9MSP) and the Second Review Conference.

#### **Activities**

3. The ISU continued to carry out the duties in the 3MSP President's Paper that serves as the mandate for the Unit. Also in a manner consistent with this mandate, more specific direction regarding priorities was received from the Coordinating Committee, thus ensuring ongoing input from States Parties into the work of the ISU. Moreover, clear and comprehensive direction regarding priorities for the ISU in 2009 was derived from the Nairobi Action Plan, which was adopted by the States Parties on 3 December 2004 at the First Review Conference, and the Dead Sea Progress Report, which was warmly welcomed by the States Parties on 28 November 2008 at the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties (9MSP).

4. The ISU faced an extremely demanding year in 2009 in supporting the States Parties in preparing for the Second Review Conference. In addition to responding to the needs of individual States Parties, the ISU provided intensive support to the President-Designate and Host Country of the Second Review Conference, including by carrying out three planning missions to Cartagena, Colombia, supporting two preparatory and two informal meetings as well as numerous small group sessions, compiling the information necessary for the President-Designate to prepare a comprehensive five-year review document, and implementing a communications strategy, including by establishing a dedicated web site for the Second Review Conference.

5. The ISU again provided strategic direction to President and Co-Chairs, taking part in dozens of small group planning meetings and supporting seven meetings of the Coordinating Committee. This helped enable the Coordinating Committee to elaborate the general framework for intersessional work in 2009 and assisted in ensuring successful meetings of the Standing Committees the week of 25 to 29 May 2009. In addition, a

strategic plan for the Coordinator of the Sponsorship Programme was proposed twice – once in the lead up to the meetings of the Standing Committees and once in the lead up to the Second Review Conference.

6. The ISU continued to provide secretariat support to the Universalisation Contact Group. In addition, the ISU prepared background information to the Contact Group Coordinator, the 9MSP President and other States Parties in the pursuit of their universalisation activities. As well, the ISU participated in or led missions to four States not parties with the aim of assisting these States Parties in overcoming remaining barriers to ratification or accession.

7. The ISU responded to approximately 50 requests a year from States Parties requiring assistance or advice preparing transparency reports. In addition, the ISU supported the work of the Article 7 Contact Group and its Coordinator. The ISU's efforts in assisting States Parties with transparency reporting was a key factor in ensuring that two of the four States Parties that have been several years late in submitting a transparency reporting achieved compliance with this aspect of the Convention in 2009.

8. The ISU continued to support the efforts of the Coordinator of the Resource Utilisation Contact Group Coordinator, including by producing compilations of data on expected resource needs in coming years. The information gathered will be of great assistance in the work of this Contact Group and States Parties generally in the period following the Second Review Conference.

9. The ISU fulfilled its traditional role of communicating information about the Convention, its status and operations, including by participating in 16 regional or thematic workshops or training and capacity building events. Moreover, the ISU continued to make information about the Convention available by maintaining the Convention's Documentation Centre, receiving and making available up to 1,000 new documents in 2009 related to the implementation process.

10. The ISU received and responded to hundreds of requests from State Parties on matters related to implementation and compliance. Immediately in advance of the May 2009 meetings of the Standing Committees and, in particular, in the weeks leading up to the Second Review Conference, the ISU furnished information or provided assistance to dozens of States Parties and other actors regarding these events. As well, the ISU produced publications containing the programmes and information on the Intersessional Work Programme and on the Second Review Conference and updated its background brochure on the Convention, including by making this publication available in English, French and Spanish.

11. The ISU provided advisory services to a large number of States Parties that are or were in the process of implementing Article 5 of the Convention. This included the ISU visiting or commissioning visits to nine such States Parties. The ISU supported States Parties in achieving greater clarity in understanding the nature and extent of one's obligations, in advancing preparations of a request for an extension of Article 5 obligations, or in declaring completion.

12. The ISU supported the 9MSP President and the other States Parties mandated to analyse Article 5 requests. This included acquiring for, and at the request of these Parties expert mine clearance, legal and diplomatic advice and supporting five meetings of the Article 5 analysing group.

13. The ISU provided advisory services to States Parties seeking to apply the understandings on victim assistance adopted at the 2004 First Review Conference. This included the ISU visiting or commissioning visits to eight States Parties. The ISU supported these States Parties in achieving one of the following objectives: developing or improving

victim assistance objectives, developing plans, advancing implementation of these plans, or developing a monitoring mechanism.

### **Financing of the ISU's core operations**

14. As indicated in the President's Paper on the Establishment of the Implementation Support Unit and the agreement between the States Parties and the GICHD, the GICHD created a Voluntary Trust Fund for activities of the ISU in late 2001. The purpose of this fund is to finance the on-going activities of the ISU, with the States Parties endeavouring to assure the necessary financial resources. In accordance with the agreement between the States Parties and the GICHD, the ISU Trust Fund's 2008 financial statement was independently audited by PriceWaterhouseCoopers. The audit indicated that the financial statement of the Voluntary Trust Fund had been properly prepared in accordance with relevant accounting policies and the applicable Swiss legislation. The audited financial statement, which indicated that the 2008 expenditures of the ISU totalled CHF 951,827.24, was forwarded to the President, the Coordinating Committee and contributors to the ISU Trust Fund.

15. At the end of 2008, the ISU Trust Fund had a balance of CHF 141,570.03.<sup>1</sup> This carryover from 2008 to 2009 was less than one third the carryover from 2007 to 2008. This put the ISU at risk of finding itself in a deficit situation in 2009 unless States Parties promptly provided the financial resources necessary to fund the operations of the ISU. By the end of February 2009, the ISU indeed found itself in a deficit and has remained in such a situation throughout 2009.

16. On 29 May 2009, the Director of the ISU informed the States Parties that resources greatly in excess of those provided in 2008 were required in 2009 if the ISU was to be able to carry its operations without ending the year with a deficit. On 24 August 2009 the Director of the ISU wrote to all States Parties that previously had contributed to the ISU Trust Fund to again inform them of the serious financial situation faced by the ISU. At the 1 September and 25 September 2009 meetings of the Coordinating Committee, the Director of the ISU repeated that additional contributions were required in order to end the year without incurring a deficit. On 4 November 2009, the President of the 9MSP and the President-Designate of the Second Review Conference wrote to all States Parties that had previously contributed to the ISU Trust Fund but had not submitted a contribution in 2009 and, to several States Parties that had never contributed to the ISU Trust Fund, including some States Parties with great means. The President and President-Designate strongly encouraged States Parties to appeal for contributions to be made in support of the 2009 operations of the ISU and for consideration for additional contributions in 2010.

17. As of 18 November 2009, funds totalling CHF 416,121.54 had been received in 2009 from the following seven States Parties: Australia, Canada, Chile, Cyprus, Germany, Norway and Turkey. (See Table 1). These funds include CHF 1,584.15 that one State Party (Chile) had earmarked for the process agreed to by the States Parties in 2006 to assist them in considering requests for extensions of Article 5 mine clearance obligations.

18. Given underfunding in 2009, the Director of the ISU sought direction from the Coordinating Committee regarding planning for a 2010 budget. On 1 September 2009, Coordinating Committee participants indicated their desire for the ISU maintain services in 2010 at a level provided in 2009. The Director the ISU informed the Coordinating

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<sup>1</sup> This figure differs from the figure contained in the ISU's audited financial statement because contributions from Malaysia and Hungary were accounted for in 2009 but received in 2008.

Committee that he would prepare a 2010 budget on this basis, that this would include costs totalling approximately CHF 1.2 million, and that the Coordinating Committee must take responsibility for ensuring that the necessary resources would be found to support such a budget.

19. On 19 November 2009, the Coordinating Committee endorsed the 2010 ISU Work Plan and Budget, taking note of the responsibility of the States Parties to ensure that the necessary funding for this CHF 1.2 million budget would be provided along with funding necessary to cover any deficit from 2009. In addition, the Coordinating Committee agreed to keep the finances of the ISU under review at least quarterly in 2010 and to provide the ISU with direction to take actions to address any ongoing shortage of funding.

### **Additional support received and funds managed by the ISU**

20. In addition to the core operations of the ISU being supported through contributions provided by States Parties to the ISU Trust Fund, the ISU received the following additional support or administered the following additional funds in 2009:

(a) Costs for basic infrastructure and services in support of the ISU (office space, information technology, telecommunications, postage, publications coordination, travel support, human resources management, accounting, audit and other administrative support, etc.) are not included in the costs covered by the ISU Trust Fund. These costs are covered by the GICHD general budget, on the basis of funds provided by Switzerland, and were valued at approximately CHF 440,000 in 2009.

(b) While costs associated with providing strategic direction to the Sponsorship Programme are covered by the ISU budget, costs related to the administration of the Sponsorship Programme are covered by the GICHD budget, again on the basis of funds provided by Switzerland. The value of these costs was CHF 40,000 in 2009.

(c) While costs associated with providing support to the Co-Chairs in their preparations for the meetings of the Standing Committees are covered by the ISU budget, the GICHD budget, on the basis of funds provided by Switzerland, covers the costs of hosting these meetings. In 2010, this will include, for the first time, the costs of providing interpretation at these meetings. In 2008 and 2009, the ISU's budgets included the costs of interpretation. Prior to 2008, interpretation at these meetings had been provided on a voluntary basis by two donors. In 2008, the lead donor indicated that it was no longer in a position to provide funds to cover these costs.

(d) With funds provided by the European Union, the ISU continued implementation of the European Union Joint Action on the universalization and implementation of the Convention. This involved responding to requests from States Parties for short term technical advisory visits and support to five States Parties to host regional workshops. Funds provided by the European Union covered the costs of one full time staff position (i.e., the EU Joint Action Coordinator). The Joint Action terminates in May 2010.

(e) With project funds provided by Australia, Belgium, Norway and Switzerland, the ISU was able to cover the costs of most of its victim assistance advisory activities. In 2009, it was determined that the ISU's support to States Parties on victim assistance has become a core programmatic area of work for the ISU. That is, advice and support to relevant States Parties is necessary as long as such States Parties continue to need and desire advisory services. Therefore, in 2010 core advisory services on victim assistance will be incorporated into the ISU Trust Fund budget for the first time.

(f) With project funds provided by Norway, the ISU provided enhanced services to the President-Designate of the Second Review Conference. This included being able to

cover the costs of a temporary staff position (i.e. the Cartagena Summit Communications Coordinator).

(g) With project funds provided by Australia, the ISU was able to continue executing its small States strategy, including by working to assist States not parties in the Pacific in overcoming remaining barriers to ratification of or accession to the Convention.

**Table 1: Contributions to the ISU Trust Fund**

|                | Received in 2008     | Received in 2009<br>(as of 17 November) |
|----------------|----------------------|---|
| Albania        | CHF1'000.00          |   |
| Australia      | CHF63'000.00         | CHF86'500.00                            |
| Austria        | CHF55'872.67         |   |
| Canada         | CHF18'935.75         | CHF139'362.38                           |
| Chile          | CHF15'285.00         | CHF21'281.00                            |
| Cyprus         | CHF2'700.00          | CHF4'560.00                             |
| Czech Republic | CHF67'039.88         |   |
| Germany        | CHF24'298.50         | CHF30'224.00                            |
| Hungary        | CHF10'737.43         |   |
| Ireland        | CHF55'080.66         |   |
| Italy          | CHF64'796.00         |   |
| Malaysia       | CHF1'774.03          |   |
| Norway         | CHF157'557.90        | CHF130'845.86                           |
| Qatar          | CHF11'921.00         |   |
| Slovenia       | CHF7'906.50          |   |
| Spain          | CHF44'133.00         |   |
| Turkey         | CHF1'973.82          | CHF3'348.30                             |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>CHF604'012.14</b> | <b>CHF416'121.54</b>                    |

## Annex IV

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| APLC/CONF/2009/5       | Report on the functioning of the Implementation Support Unit, November 2008 to November 2009. Submitted by the Director of the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD)   |
| APLC/CONF/2009/6       | Estimated costs for convening the Tenth Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the prohibition of the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines and on their destruction. Note by the Secretariat  |
| APLC/CONF/2009/7       | Report on the process for the preparation, submission and consideration of requests for extensions to article 5 deadlines, 2008-2009. Submitted by the President of the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties  |
| APLC/CONF/2009/8/Rev.1 | Evaluation of the Implementation Support Unit of the Mine Ban Convention. Background paper and proposed mandate and terms of reference. Submitted by the President-designate of the Second Review Conference   |
| APLC/CONF/2009/9       | Final document   |

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| APLC/CONF/2009/WP.1/Rev.1                     | Shared commitment. Draft Cartagena action plan 2010 – 2014: ending the suffering caused by anti-personnel mines. Submitted by the President-designate of the Second Review Conference   |
| APLC/CONF/2009/WP.2 and Add.1                 | Draft review of the operation and status of the Convention on the prohibition of the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of antipersonnel mines and on their destruction: 2005-2009. Part I. Submitted by the President-designate of the Second Review Conference   |
| APLC/CONF/2009/WP.3                           | Request for an extension of the deadline for completing the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with article 5 of the Convention. Executive summary. Submitted by Uganda  |
| APLC/CONF/2009/WP.4                           | Analysis of the request submitted by uganda for an extension of the deadline for completing the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with article 5 of the Convention. Submitted by the President of the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties on behalf of the States Parties mandated to analyse requests for extensions     |
| APLC/CONF/2009/WP.5                           | Request for an extension of the deadline for completing the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with article 5 of the Convention. Executive summary. Submitted by Cambodia  |
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| APLC/CONF/2009/WP.7 and Corr.1 [English Only] | Analysis of the request submitted by tajikistan for an extension of the deadline for completing the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with article 5 of the Convention. Submitted by the President of the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties on behalf of the States Parties mandated to analyse requests for extensions |

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| APLC/CONF/2009/WP.8                                    | Draft declaration. A shared commitment for a mine-free world: The 2009 Cartagena declaration. Submitted by the President-Designate (Norway) and the host country (Colombia) of the Second Review Conference  |
| APLC/CONF/2009/WP.9                                    | Request for an extension of the deadline for completing the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with article 5 of the Convention. Executive summary. Submitted by Tajikistan   |
| APLC/CONF/2009/WP.10                                   | Request for an extension of the deadline for completing the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with article 5 of the Convention. Executive summary. Submitted by Argentina  |
| APLC/CONF/2009/WP.11                                   | Analysis of the request submitted by Argentina for an extension of the deadline for completing the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with article 5 of the Convention. Submitted by the President of the Ninth Meeting of the States Parties on behalf of the States Parties mandated to analyse requests for extensions |
| APLC/CONF/2009/WP.12                                   | On the implementation of the Ottawa Convention in Ukraine. Submitted by Ukraine  |
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| APLC/CONF/2009/CRP.1                                   | Draft final document   |
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| APLC/CONF/2009/MISC.4<br>[English Only]                | Declaration of completion of implementation of article 5 of the Convention on the prohibition of the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines and on their destruction. Submitted by Rwanda   |

APLC/CONF/2009/MISC.5  
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Declaration of completion of implementation of article 5 of the Convention on the prohibition of the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines and on their destruction. Submitted by Zambia

APLC/CONF/2009/MISC.6  
[English/French/Spanish Only]

Assisting the victims: recommendations on implementing the Cartagena Action Plan 2010-2014. Submitted by Belgium and Thailand, Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Victim Assistance and Socio-Economic Reintegration

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