NAME OF THE HIGH CONTRACTING PARTY: SWEDEN

PARTY TO:
✓ Protocol I (Protocol on Non-Detectable Fragments)
✓ Protocol II (Protocol on Mines Booby-Traps and Other Devices)
✓ Amended Protocol II (amended Protocol on Mines Booby-Traps and Other Devices)
✓ Protocol III (Protocol on Incendiary Weapons)
✓ Protocol IV (Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons)
✓ Protocol V (Protocol on Explosive Remnants of War)

ACCEDED TO:
✓ The amendment to Article 1 of the Convention

DATE OF SUBMISSION: 15/10/2008

(NOTE: the recommended deadline for submission of the national reports was fixed by the 2007 Meeting of the High Contracting Parties at 1 October of each calendar year)

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This information can be available to other interested parties and relevant organizations

☐ NO

☐ Partially, only the following forms: A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐

NOTE: unless otherwise indicated all reports will be made public.

Note: Pursuant to paragraph 5 of the above Decision the High Contracting Parties have agreed “to provide information to the Secretary-General in advance of the Meeting, which will be circulated by the Secretary-General to all the High Contracting Parties, on any of the following matters:

1 Please indicate individually for the CCW and each Protocol (if different).
(a) Dissemination of information on the Convention and its annexed Protocols to their armed forces and to the civilian population;

(b) Steps taken to meet the relevant technical requirements of the Convention and its annexed Protocols and any other relevant information pertaining thereto;

(c) Legislation related to the Convention and its annexed Protocols;

(d) Measures taken on technical co-operation and assistance; and

(e) Other relevant matters.”

Each of the items listed above are provided as separate individual forms to be filled out by each High Contracting Party accordingly.
Reporting period: from 01/10/2008 to 30/09/2008

Form A: Dissemination of information:
- changed
- unchanged (last reporting year: 2007)

Form B: Technical requirements and relevant information:
- changed
- unchanged (last reporting year: 2007)

Form C: Legislation:
- changed
- unchanged (last reporting year: 2007)

Form D: Technical cooperation and assistance:
- changed
- unchanged (last reporting year: 2007)

Form E: Other relevant matters:
- changed
- unchanged (last reporting year: 2007)

NOTE: This Summary Sheet may be used only after the High Contracting Party has submitted its first national report pursuant to the Decision of the Third CCW Review Conference. Only the reporting forms which are indicated as „changed“ have to be submitted thereafter together with the Cover page and the Summary Sheet.
FORM A: Dissemination of information

Paragraph 5 of the Decision on Compliance:

“The High Contracting Parties will provide information [...] on:

(a) Dissemination of information on the Convention and its annexed Protocols to their armed forces and to the civilian population;”

High Contracting Party: Sweden

Reporting period: from 01/10/2007 to 30/09/2008

☒ additional information of dissemination of information on CCW Amended Protocol II to armed forces and civilian population is contained in the National Annual Report provided in accordance with paragraph 4(a) of Article 13 of Amended Protocol II for the year: 2008

☐ additional information on dissemination of information on CCW Protocol V is contained in the National Report provided pursuant to paragraph 2 (b) of Article 10 of Protocol V for the year:

Information to the armed forces, including the extent to which the CCW and its Protocols are part of military manuals and the training curriculum of its armed forces:

Military personnel are trained in international humanitarian law, including information concerning the CCW and its annexed Protocols.

Information to the civilian population, including information on any programs, courses or documentation to disseminate the CCW to non-military audiences:

The Swedish government promotes dissemination and supports different initiatives on dissemination of international humanitarian law including information on CCW and its annexed Protocols to the general public.

Any other relevant information:

The Swedish Total Defence Council for International Humanitarian Law was established in 1991 and consists of representatives from the Ministry of Defence, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, the Swedish Armed Forces, the National Service Administration, the Swedish National Defence College, the Swedish Emergency Management Agency, the Swedish Rescue Services Agency and the Swedish Red Cross. The Council is responsible for following the development of international humanitarian law. In addition the Council supervises the coordination and development among the total defence authorities, focusing especially on information and educational matters. Finally the Council takes the initiative to promote development, dissemination and application of the provisions of international humanitarian law within the Swedish total defence sector.
FORM B: Technical requirements and relevant information

Paragraph 5 of the Decision on Compliance:

“The High Contracting Parties will provide information [...] on:

(b) Steps taken to meet the relevant technical requirements of the Convention and its annexed Protocols and any other relevant information pertaining thereto;”

High Contracting Party: Sweden

Reporting period: from 01/10/2007 to 30/09/2008

Additional information on steps taken to meet technical requirements of Amended Protocol II and other relevant information pertaining thereto is contained in the National Annual Report provided pursuant to paragraph 4(c) of Article 13 of Amended Protocol II for the year: 2008

Additional information on steps taken to meet technical requirements of Protocol V and other relevant information pertaining thereto is contained in the National Report provided pursuant to paragraph 2 (b) of Article 10 of Protocol V for the year: 2008

Steps taken to meet the relevant technical requirements of the Convention and its annexed Protocols:

In 1974 the Swedish Government set up the Delegation for International Humanitarian Law Monitoring of Arms Projects. The Delegation is tasked to examine and monitor weapons projects from an international law perspective and the examination is to be conducted in accordance with Article 36 of Additional Protocol I to the 1949 Geneva Conventions. The Delegation, which is led by the Ministry of Defence, consists of at most eight members from the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, the Swedish Armed Forces, the Swedish Defence Research Agency and the Defence Materiel Administration. Accordingly, the Delegation is one important authority to secure that the Swedish Armed Forces is only equipped with weapons and weapon systems which fulfill the technical requirements set out in CCW. At international peace-keeping operations, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), Rules of Engagement (RoE) and Standing Operation Procedures (SOP) are to be followed.

Any other relevant information:
FORM C: Legislation

Paragraph 5 of the Decision on Compliance:

“The High Contracting Parties will provide information [...] on:

(c) Legislation related to the Convention and its annexed Protocols;”

High Contracting Party: Sweden

Reporting period: from 01/10/2007 to 30/09/2008

☑ additional information of legislation related to Amended Protocol II is contained in the National Annual Report provided pursuant to paragraph 4(d) of Article 13 of Amended Protocol II for the year 2008

☐ additional information on legislation related to Protocol V is contained in the National Report provided pursuant to paragraph 2 (b) of Article 10 of Protocol V for the year:

Legislation, including the status and content of national legislation to prevent and suppress violations of amended Protocol II:

See report Protocol II under form D

Any other relevant information, including the regulations and policies (other than national legislation) adopted to implement the CCW's obligations and ensure compliance with its Protocols:

See report Protocol II under form D
FORM D:  Technical cooperation and assistance

Paragraph 5 of the Decision on Compliance:

“The High Contracting Parties will provide information [...] on:

(d) Measures taken on technical co-operation and assistance;”

High Contracting Party:  Sweden

Reporting period:  from 01/10/2007 to 30/09/2008

☒ additional information of measures taken on international technical information exchange, on international cooperation on mine clearance, and on technical cooperation and assistance is contained in the National Annual Report provided in accordance with paragraph 4(e) of Article 13 of Amended Protocol II for the year: 2008

☒ additional information on measures taken on international technical cooperation and assistance is contained in the National Report provided pursuant to paragraph 2 (b) of Article 10 of Protocol V for the year: 2008

International technical co-operation, including relevant experiences in seeking or providing technical assistance and cooperation:

See report to Protocol II under form E

International technical assistance:

See report to Protocol II under form E

Any other relevant information:
FORM E: Other relevant matters

Paragraph 5 of the Decision on Compliance:

“The High Contracting Parties will provide information [...] on:

(e) Other relevant matters.”

High Contracting Party: Sweden

Reporting period: from 01/10/2007 to 30/09/2008

☐ additional relevant information is contained in the National Annual Report provided pursuant to paragraph 4(a) of Article 13 of Amended Protocol II for the year: 

☐ additional relevant information is contained in the National Report provided pursuant to paragraph 2 (b) of Article 10 of Protocol V for the year: 

Other relevant matters:

In the 1970ies the Swedish delegation on Public International Law was established to supervise developments in international law, particularly international humanitarian law. The purpose is to give advice and decide on Swedish initiatives in the area of international humanitarian law, including weapons and IHL.

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