

**EIGHTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE  
STATES PARTIES TO AMENDED  
PROTOCOL II TO THE CONVENTION ON  
PROHIBITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE  
OF CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WHICH  
MAY BE DEEMED TO BE EXCESSIVELY INJURIOUS  
OR TO HAVE INDISCRIMINATE EFFECTS**

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Item 10 of the agenda

**Consideration of matters arising from  
reports by High Contracting Parties  
according to paragraph 4 of Article 13  
of the Amended Protocol II**

**BRAZIL**

National annual report

Submitted in accordance with Article 13, paragraph 4 and Article 11 paragraph 2 of the  
Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines,  
Booby-Traps and Other Devices  
as Amended on 3 May 1996 to the CCW

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PROTOCOL ON PROHIBITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF MINES,  
BOOBY-TRAPS AND OTHER DEVICES AS AMENDED ON 3 MAY 1996,  
ANNEXED TO THE CONVENTION ON PROHIBITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS ON  
THE USE OF CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WHICH MAY BE DEEMED  
TO BE EXCESSIVELY INJURIOUS OR TO HAVE INDISCRIMINATE EFFECTS  
  
(PROTOCOL II AS AMENDED ON 3 MAY 1996)

Reporting Formats for Article 13 paragraph 4 and Article 11 paragraph 2

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

**YES**

NO

Partially, only the following forms:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G

**Form A          Dissemination of information**

Article 13,  
paragraph 4 (a)      “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the  
Depository ... on:

(a) dissemination of information on this Protocol to their armed  
forces and to the civilian population;”

*Remark:*

High Contracting Party	<u>BRAZIL</u>	reporting for time period from	<u>September 2005</u>	to	<u>October 2006</u>
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Information to the armed forces

Since 1996, the Brazilian Armed Forces have included topics related to the obligations and restrictions contained in Amended Protocol II into military school instruction grades.

Information to the civilian population

Brazil does not maintain any mined areas on any locations under its jurisdiction or control. In consequence this part is not applicable. However the Presidential Decree that approved the Convention was published in the Union Official Diary.

**Form B            Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes**

Article 13,            “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the  
paragraph 4 (b)    Depository ... on:

(b) mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes;”

*Remark:*

High Contracting Party		reporting for time period	
	<u>BRAZIL</u>	from	<u>September 2005</u> to <u>October 2006</u>

Mine clearance programmes

Brazil does not have any clearance activities within its territory, since does not maintain any mined areas or under its jurisdiction. There are, however, procedures for clearance of remotely-delivered bomblets and UXO used in areas reserved for military training.

In addition, Brazil has been actively cooperating with humanitarian demining missions of the Organization of American States (OAS) in Central and South America. Currently, eleven Brazilian military officers are on duty in the OAS Central America Demining Assistance Mission (MARMINCA), five military officers are on duty in OAS South America Demining Assistance Mission (MARMINAS), and three military officers are on Duty in the OAS Assistance Mission for the National Demining Plan of Colombia.

Rehabilitation programmes

During the 7th Meeting of States Parties of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of anti-personal mines and on their destruction, the Brazilian delegation has expressed its interest in expanding the scope of its cooperation with mine-affected States to the area of mine victim assistance, possibly by means of training activities for specialized medical staff.

**Form C      Technical requirements and relevant information**

Article 13,      “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the  
paragraph 4 (c)      Depository ... on:

(c) steps taken to meet technical requirements of this Protocol and  
any other relevant information pertaining thereto;”

*Remark:*

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Technical requirements

The Brazilian Armed Forces maintain specialized teams trained for the destruction, recovery or neutralization of explosives and unexploded ordnance (UXO), which it employs to clear areas used for military training.

The training and operational manuals of the Armed Forces are being revised to attend the requirements of the Amended Protocol.

Any other relevant information

Brazilian military officers have participated in explosives and UXO neutralization training courses in the United States of America.

**Form D            Legislation**

Article 13,  
paragraph 4 (d)      “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the  
Depository ... on:

(d) legislation related to this Protocol;”

*Remark:*

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Legislation

On August 11th 1999, the text of Amended Protocol II was published in the Federal Government’s Official Journal, along with legislative Decree number 52/99, whereby the Brazilian National congress approved the text of Amended Protocol.

The Federal Law number 10.300, issued by the Brazilian Executive Branch on 31 October 2001, prohibits of the use, development, production, trade, import, export, acquisition, stockpiling and retention, whether directly or indirectly, of Anti-Personnel Mines inside Brazilian territory, as required by article 13 of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention. The legislation came into force as it was published on the Federal Government’s Official Journal, on November 1st, 2001.

**Form E**                    **International technical information exchange, cooperation on mine clearance, technical cooperation and assistance**

Article 13,                    “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the  
paragraph 4 (e)            Depository ... on:

(e) measures taken on international technical information exchange, on international cooperation on mine clearance, and on technical cooperation and assistance;”

*Remark:*

High Contracting Party		reporting for time period	
	<u>BRAZIL</u>	from	<u>September 2005</u> to <u>October 2006</u>

International technical information exchange

None to inform.

International cooperation on mine clearance

Brazil has made large contributions in personal to the demining efforts in Central America (Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Guatemala) and South America (Peru, Ecuador and Colombia).

International co-operation on technical co-operation and assistance

Since 1993, Brazil has been actively cooperating with humanitarian demining missions of the Organization of American States (OAS) in Central and South America. Currently, eleven Brazilian military officers are on duty in the OAS Central America Demining Assistance Mission (MARMINCA), five military officers are on duty in OAS South America Demining Assistance Mission (MARMINAS), and three military officers are on Duty in the OAS Assistance Mission for the National Demining Plan of Colombia.



**Form F      Other relevant matters**

Article 13,      “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the  
paragraph 4 (f)      Depository ... on:

(f) other relevant matters.”

*Remark:*

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Other relevant matters

None to inform.

**Form G            Information to the UN-database on mine clearance**

Article 11,  
paragraph 2

“Each High Contracting Party undertakes to provide information to the database on mine clearance established within the United Nations System, especially information concerning various means and technologies of mine clearance, and lists of experts, expert agencies or national points of contact on mine clearance.”

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reporting for  
time period  
from                      September 2005 to October 2006

BRAZIL

Means and technologies of mine clearance

The Brazilian Armed Forces follow international practices and standards related to mine clearance.

Lists of experts and experts agencies

For details on experts and expert agencies please contact the abovementioned points of contact.

National points of contact on mine clearance

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