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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)

Summary sheet

Summary Reporting Format for Article 13 paragraph 4 and Article 11 paragraph 2,  
Pursuant to the decision of the Fifth Annual Conference of the States Parties to CCW  
Amended Protocol II as stipulated in paragraph 20 of its Final Document, CCW/AP.II/CONF.5/2

NAME OF THE HIGH CONTRACTING PARTY

**REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA**

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

**YES**

**REPORTING PERIOD:** 01/01/2007 to 31/12/2007

<b>Form A:</b> Dissemination of information:	changed <b>x</b> unchanged (last reporting: 2003)
<b>Form B:</b> Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes:	<b>x</b> changed unchanged
<b>Form C:</b> Technical requirements and relevant information:	changed <b>x</b> unchanged (last reporting: 2003)
<b>Form D:</b> Legislation:	changed <b>x</b> unchanged (last reporting: 2004)
<b>Form E:</b> International technical information exchange, co-operation on mine clearance, technical co-operation and assistance:	changed <b>x</b> unchanged (last reporting: 2003)
<b>Form F:</b> Other relevant matters:	changed <b>x</b> unchanged (last reporting: 2004)
<b>Form G:</b> Information to the UN-database on mine clearance:	changed <b>x</b> unchanged (last reporting: 2003)

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**Form B****Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes**

Article 13 / 4 / b „The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary ... on:

(b) mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes;“

*Remark: This section has been moved to Form E.*

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\_\_\_\_\_ period from **2007** **2007**

Mine clearance programmes

Slovenia is not mine-affected country.

## Form E

## International technical information exchange, cooperation on mine clearance, technical cooperation and assistance

Article 13 / 4 / e „The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depository ... on:

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

*Remark:*

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			<b>2007</b>		<b>2007</b>

### International cooperation on mine clearance

The International Trust Fund for Demining and Mine Victims Assistance (ITF) is a non-profit, humanitarian organisation founded by the Government of the Republic of Slovenia in March 1998, originally to help Bosnia and Herzegovina and later also other mine-affected countries in South-Eastern Europe (Albania, Croatia, Serbia and Macedonia). At the request of its donors, the ITF began to spread activities towards Cyprus, Afghanistan and the Transcaucasus (Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia); however, its operations are currently focused on South-Eastern Europe. At the same time, the ITF, being aware of its know-how and skills in the field of mine action, is willing to consolidate its operations in the Transcaucasus and expand them to other mine-polluted regions, such as Central Asia and Africa.

ITF's mission is to raise donor funds, and finance and implement mine action programmes and projects in mine-affected countries within the scope of humanitarian and development assistance. ITF's goal is to free South-Eastern European countries from the impact of mines by the end of 2009, and to actively contribute to the final resolving of this problem also in other mine-affected regions.

Thus far, the ITF has contributed significantly to the resolution of mine problem, as it carried out over 1, 720 mine action projects. The ITF cleared over 7 6 million square meters of mine-polluted areas in South-Eastern Europe, and contributed to physical rehabilitation of over 9 60 mine victims, which equals 15 per cent of all surviving victims in South-Eastern Europe. Over 80,000 children and adults from mine-affected communities participated in programmes of raising awareness of the mine problem. The ITF educated over 700 experts in the field of humanitarian demining, rehabilitation and mine action management, and supported activities of national mine action centres in all mine-affected countries of South-Eastern Europe; all this facilitates and improves the effectiveness in dealing with the problem.

From the very beginning, the ITF has supported regional approach to mine action in South-Eastern Europe – being one of the founding members of the South-Eastern Europe Mine Action Coordination Council (SEEMACC), and supporter of the Regional Mine Detection Dog Centre in Konjic (Bosnia and Herzegovina), the Regional Centre for Underwater Demining in Bijela (Montenegro) and the Geographic Information System for South-Eastern Europe.

Since 1998, over 130 donors, including 27 States, the European Commission and the UNDP, numerous local communities, organisations, companies and individuals have entrusted almost USD 270 million to the ITF. The matching-fund mechanism ensures that every US dollar raised by the ITF is matched by an additional dollar provided by the US Government. The mechanism proved exceptionally efficient as a method of raising donor funds for humanitarian purposes.

### Technical cooperation and assistance