Note Verbale

The Permanent Representation of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Conference on Disarmament presents its compliments to the United Nations Office at Geneva and has the honor to attach the 2012 report

Reported period: 1 January - 31 December 2012

on the establishment of a Compliance mechanism applicable to the Convention, as contained in its Final Declaration, Annex II, Paragraph 5 (CCW/CONF.III/11, Part II).

The Permanent Representation of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Conference on Disarmament avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Office at Geneva the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 25 March 2013

(L.S.)
pursuant to the Decision of the Third CCW Review Conference on the establishment of a Compliance mechanism applicable to the Convention, as contained in its Final Declaration, Annex II, Paragraph 5 (CCW/CONF.III/11, Part II)

NAME OF THE HIGH CONTRACTING PARTY: FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

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: 21/03/2013 (dd/mm/yyyy)

(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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1 Please indicate individually for the CCW and each Protocol (if different).
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:

(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.
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**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: FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Reporting period: from 01/01/2012 to 31/12/2012

☒ 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: 2012

☒ 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: 2012

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:

All soldiers of the Federal Armed Forces concerned with the subject receive instruction in international law including the rules set by the Protocols. This training is conducted in the military units by superiors and legal advisers and at the Federal Armed Forces Schools and Academies by law scholars. Military manuals and orders concerning training and instruction in this respect are revised.

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

The content and the date of the entry into force of the Convention and its annexed Protocols are published in the Federal Law Gazette (Bundesgesetzblatt) which contains the complete legislation of the federal government of the Federal Republic of Germany.

Any other relevant information:

N/A
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: FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Reporting period: from 01/01/2012 to 31/12/2012

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☒ 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: 2012

☒ 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: 2012

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

No steps necessary; at the time of ratification, all relevant weapons and ammunition of the German Armed Forces meet the requirements set out in the Convention and its annexed Protocols.

Any other relevant information:

National generic preventive measures according to Protocol V, Technical Annex, 3. are revised.
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: FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Reporting period: from 01/01/2012 to 31/12/2012

☐ 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

☒ 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: 2012

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


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:

N/A
**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;”

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- 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: 2012

- 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: 2012

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

| Member of the Mine Action Support Group (MASG) New York |
| Financial support to the International Trust Fund (ITF), Slovenia |
| Financial support to UNDP |
| Financial support to UNMAS |
| Financial support to UNHCR |
| Financial support to UNICEF |
| Financial support to national and international NGOs |
| Support by secondment of personnel to Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD) |
| Participation in the Group of Governmental Experts (GGE) to the CCW |

International technical assistance:

- Germany allocated a total amount of Euro 18.300.986,38 for mine action projects 2012.
  For details please refer to the German National Report 2012 to the CCW Amended Protocol II

Any other relevant information:

N/A
FORM E: Other relevant matters

Paragraph 5 of the Decision on Compliance:

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

(e) Other relevant matters.”

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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: 2012

Other relevant matters:

Cluster Munitions
As agreed in Dublin on 30 May 2008, Germany has signed the Convention on Cluster Munitions in Oslo on 3 December 2008, and has submitted its Instrument of Ratification to the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations on July 08, 2009.

On 29 May 2008, Germany has unilaterally renounced the use of all types of cluster munitions and intends to finalize the destruction of national cluster munitions stocks, depending on industrial and budgetary aspects preferably until 2015.

Germany became a state party to the Convention on Cluster Munitions on 1 August 2010.

At the same time, Germany attaches great importance to the UN-Process on cluster munitions and actively participates in the CCW negotiations for a proposal to address urgently the humanitarian impact of cluster munitions in the UN-context.