

**SUMMARY COVER PAGE
OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF CCW PROTOCOL V ¹**

NAME OF STATE [PARTY]: Canada

REPORTING PERIOD: 22/09/2010 **to** 31/12/2010
(dd/mm/yyyy) (dd/mm/yyyy)

Form A: Steps taken to implement Article 3 of the Protocol: Clearance, removal or destruction of ERW	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (initial)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form B: Steps taken to implement Article 4 of the Protocol: Recording, retaining and transmission of information	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (initial)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form C: Steps taken to implement Article 5 of the Protocol: Other precautions for the protection of the civilian population, individual civilians and civilian objects from the risks and effects of ERW	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (initial)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form D: Steps taken to implement Article 6 of the Protocol: Provisions for the protection of humanitarian missions and organizations from the effects of explosive remnants of war	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (initial)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form E: Steps taken to implement Article 7 of the Protocol: Assistance with respect to existing explosive remnants of war	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (initial)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form F: Steps taken to implement Article 8 of the Protocol: Co-operation and assistance	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (initial)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form G: Steps taken to implement Article 9 of the Protocol: Generic preventive measures	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (initial)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form H: Steps taken to implement Article 11 of the Protocol: Compliance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> changed <input type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (initial)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form I: Other Relevant Matters	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: ()] <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> non applicable

¹ Pursuant to the relevant decision of the First Conference of the High Contracting Parties to CCW Protocol V, this cover page could be used as a **complement** to submitting the detailed reporting forms adopted at the First Conference of the High Contracting Parties to CCW Protocol V in case there is no substantial change in the ERW situation, as a result of a conflict or of the measures undertaken in compliance with the provisions of Protocol V, and when the information to be provided in some of the forms in an annual report is the same as it would be in past reports.

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**REPORTING FORMS
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 10, PARAGRAPH 2 (b) OF THE PROTOCOL AND THE
DECISION OF THE FIRST CONFERENCE OF THE HIGH CONTRACTING
PARTIES TO PROTOCOL V**

(As adopted by the First Conference at its second plenary meeting on 5 November 2007)

HIGH CONTRACTING
PARTY:

CANADA

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

YES

NO

~~Partially, only the following forms:~~

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FORM A: Steps taken to implement Article 3 of the Protocol: Clearance, removal or destruction of explosive remnants of war

High Contracting Party: CANADA

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 3:

During the reporting period, Canadian Forces conducted operations in Afghanistan as part of the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF). In its assigned area of operations, hostilities continued throughout the reporting period. Notwithstanding the increased risks associated with hostilities, the Canadian Forces have established Standard Operation Procedures (SOP)s that reflect the responsibility to track the use of munitions as well as the clearance or destruction of unexploded ordnance. As far as security conditions and operational taskings in the Canadian area of operations allow, the Canadian Forces continue to destroy Explosive Remnants of War (ERW).

Any other relevant information:

Canada recognizes the risk that ERW places upon local populations, whose protection is key to the success of the Canadian and ISAF mission. Removing explosive remnants of war that could pose an immediate risk to local populations is a critical piece of Canada's role in protecting the local population, and thus removing such ERW becomes an important consideration for the mission.

FORM B: Steps taken to implement Article 4 of the Protocol: Recording, retaining and transmission of information

High Contracting Party: CANADA

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 4 and the Technical Annex:

Canadian Forces Standard Operating Procedures, in line with the ISAF procedures, necessitate the recording of all uses of explosive ordnance. Multiple records capture both the initial request and eventual use (including type and location) of the munitions. Separate situation reports provide a narrative of each incident and separately capture the use of explosive ordnance. Further, an entirely separate logistics system tracks the movement of ammunition before and as it is expended. Thus, records on the use and storage of explosive ordnance are maintained in Department of National Defence information systems. These systems are already established and integrated with Canadian Forces Standard Operating Procedures.

Any other relevant information:

Current Canadian Forces recording and reporting allows for the provisions of Article 4, specifically with regards to release of information to third parties, to be carried out upon the cessation of hostilities. In the meantime, this information is available as required to ISAF partners if national responsibility for territories in Afghanistan changes as part of the evolution of the ISAF mission.

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FORM C: Steps taken to implement Article 5 of the Protocol: Other precautions for the protection of the civilian population, individual civilians and civilian objects from the risks and effects of explosive remnants of war

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Party:

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 5 and the Technical Annex:

The Canadian Forces implement control measures during operations to minimize any risk to the civilian population from ERW. These control measures can include physically separating the civilian population from areas where munitions covered under this protocol are to be deployed; education and/or notice to the local population in advance of the use of these munitions; and survey of the area after the use of these munitions in order to identify, mark and dispose of ERW.

Any other relevant information:

National Defence maintains a **Unexploded Explosive Ordnance (UXO) and Legacy Sites Program**. It consists of educating the public on the dangers of UXOs, and maintaining a national data base of legacy sites within Canada where UXOs may still remain due to military operations, training or weapons testing, as well as wartime action along Canada's coasts and incidents involving ships, planes or vehicles carrying ammunition and explosives. The information is available to the public through the following web site: <http://www.uxocanada.forces.gc.ca/index-eng.asp>. To help share this information, public information sessions are being held at many site-locations across Canada. Photographs taken at these sessions may also be accessed from this web site.

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FORM D: Steps taken to implement Article 6 of the Protocol: Provisions for the protection of humanitarian missions and organizations from the effects of explosive remnants of war

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Party:

CANADA

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 6:

The Canadian Forces have provided security and other assistance to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and ISAF in areas where it would be expected that humanitarian organizations are operating. However, the Canadian Forces are not, as part of the ISAF mission, routinely approached by humanitarian organizations for escort or clearance tasks.

Any other relevant information:

FORM E: Steps taken to implement Article 7 of the Protocol: Assistance with respect to existing explosive remnants of war

High Contracting
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CANADA

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 7:

Within the ISAF mission, Canada has not generally sought assistance under the provisions of Article 7, as the extent of the ERW situation in the Canadian area of operations, and the ability to address ERW given the operational environment, has remained within the capability of Canadian Forces-commanded elements. As an ISAF partner, the Canadian Forces remains ready to provide assistance, in line with the provisions of Article 7, subject to the availability of suitable resources.

Any other relevant information:

FORM F: Steps taken to implement Article 8 of the Protocol: Co-operation and assistance

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CANADA

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 8:

Canada provides assistance to High Contracting Parties in need through the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) bi-lateral programmes and through the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) Global Peace and Security Fund. Current levels of support for this Protocol, the Ottawa Convention Banning Anti-Personnel Mines and the Convention on Cluster Munitions can be found in the Ottawa Convention Article 7 Report on the UN website (www.unog.ch).

Any other relevant information:

FORM G: Steps taken to implement Article 9 of the Protocol: Generic preventive measures

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Canada

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 9 and the Technical Annex:

Canada has processes, procedures, orders and directives in place to deal with every aspect of the ammunition and explosives life cycle. These policy and procedures include but are not limited to: design, acquisition, transportation, storage (inventory management, security, stock rotations, and surveillance), use and disposal. Canada's regulations are based on and have been developed in conjunction with the NATO Group of Experts to ensure compliance and compatibility during training and operations. Canada has a robust training program in place for its military and civilian personnel for all aspects of the life cycle of ammunition and explosives. These procedures comply with Article 9.

Any other relevant information:

FORM H: Steps taken to implement Article 11 of the Protocol: Compliance

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Canada

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 11:

Canadian Forces began implementation of this new obligation by conducting an initial assessment of the impact that this protocol will have on its current doctrine, education, and training (including individual training, collective training, and professional development) so that adjustments can be made efficiently and effectively where needed in order to ensure full compliance with the spirit and letter of the protocol. Particular attention will be paid to operational procedures and the current Law of Armed Conflict training program to ensure compliance. At this stage, the requirements of Protocol V have been incorporated in appropriate training and standard operating procedures, and the update of doctrine manuals is taking place as part of the normal review cycle. Overall, all Canadian Forces' procedures continue to be in line with or exceed the operational requirements of Protocol V.

Any other relevant information:

