
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

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

YES

NO

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

Article “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary
13 / 4 / e ... 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 Republic of Lithuania reporting for time period from 01/01/2013 to 31/12/2013

International assistance

Although Lithuania has emerged as a donor state only around 2004, a substantial part of our international assistance was channelled to projects related to international mine action, including activities related to reduction of harm caused by UXOs and ERWs.

Lithuanian contribution to international disarmament projects in 2013:

Activity, funding and/or in-kind contributions	Implementing organisation or agency	Date	Contribution
De-mining and UXO clearance, province of Ghor, Afghanistan	Lithuanian led Provincial Reconstruction Team	2013	In kind
NATO Trust Fund project on EOD clearance and EOD capability development in Georgia (Georgia IV)	NATO Support Agency	2013	10 000 Eur

Form F **Other relevant matters**

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

(f) other relevant matters.

Remark:

<u>High</u>				
<u>Contracting</u>	<u>Republic of</u>	<u>reporting for time</u>		
<u>Party</u>	<u>Lithuania</u>	<u>period from</u>	<u>01/01/2013</u>	<u>to 31/12/2013</u>

National efforts to reduce ERW contamination

As Lithuania is a mine free country no specific mine clearance programmes are required. However, there is a certain degree of contamination by explosive remnants of war (ERW) resulted from the First and the Second World Wars as well as pollution of former Soviet military bases. Engineering battalion of the Lithuanian Armed Forces is tasked to clear and destroy the explosives.

Lithuania started marking and ERW clearance activities in summer 2008. Till the end of 2013 Lithuanian Armed Forces EOD platoon checked and cleaned over 252 ha of polluted territories and found over 11 300 pieces of different explosive ordnance (mortar, anti-vehicle and anti-personnel mines, shells, grenades, aviation bombs, ammunition etc.).

Lithuanian lead Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) in province of Ghor (Afghanistan) was part of the NATO International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) operation in Afghanistan. During its functioning from 2006 till 2013 Lithuanian Armed Forces EOD team in PRT destroyed over 29 000 pieces of different explosive ordnance (including IEDs).