VERBAL NOTE

The Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations and other International Organisations in Geneva presents its compliments to the CCW Implementation Support Unit of the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs at Geneva and has the honour to transmit herewith Finland's CCW compliance report as well as the annual reports on the implementation of Protocol II and Protocol V for the period of 31 March, 2015 to 31 March, 2016.

The Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations and other International Organisations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the CCW Implementation Support Unit of the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs at Geneva the assurance of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 4 April, 2016

Appendix:  
CCW compliance report
Annual report on the implementation of Protocol II
Annual report on the implementation of Protocol V

CCW Implementation Support Unit of the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs at Geneva
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

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

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Form B  Mine clearance and rehabilitation programs

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

(b) mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes;”

*Remark: Please note that Finland participates actively also in the work of Mine Action Support Group (MASG) both at capital and Embassy levels.*

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Mine clearance programme incl. rehabilitation

Since 1991, Finland has taken part in humanitarian mine action in countries affected by landmines and explosive remnants of war (ERW). Finland’s support is based on a holistic approach. This includes mine detection and clearance; assistance in the care, rehabilitation as well as social and economic integration of mine victims; and the support to mine awareness projects, including Mine Risk Education.

Finland supports countries with land mine and ERW problems through the UN as well as through international NGOs and Trust Funds. Finland also takes part in EU humanitarian landmine activities through its contributions to the Community Budget.

Finland participates in donor coordination through the Mine Action Support Group (MASG) at the HQ and Embassy levels.

Humanitarian mine action is funded from the development cooperation budget. In 2015, the total budget for humanitarian mine action was 5,0 MEUR. Finland’s support was channelled to six countries (Afghanistan, Cambodia, Laos, Angola, Somalia and South-Sudan through five partner organizations (HALO Trust, UNMAS, GICHD, Finnish Red Cross/ICRC and FinnChurchAid). UNMAS and GICHD received also core support.

The Government of Finland’s HMA support is coordinated by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs’ Policy Department – the Unit for Arms Control. HMA funds come from the so-called “thematic budget line” which is separate from the humanitarian aid budget line. Funding is channelled to ODA eligible countries. It is based on multiannual Framework Agreements with the partner organizations in order to ensure predictability of funding.

Taken into account the role HMA plays in transition, as part of longer-term rehabilitation and development efforts, but also in facilitating the delivery of humanitarian aid in some countries, Finnish HMA work is guided by the international principles of Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness, the Accra Action Plan, and the Good Humanitarian Donorship principles.

The policy foundation is set in Finland’s new concept for humanitarian mine action 2016. Finnish HMA funding and approach reflect also broader foreign policy objectives.

During the year 2015, the Finnish Defence Forces (FDF) has conducted in total 460 EOD cases in Finland. The most of cases have been clearance of ERWs, but there has also been some land and sea mine clearances.