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

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☒ YES

☐ NO

☐ Partially, only the following forms:

A ☒ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ H ☐ I ☐
FORM A: Steps taken to implement Article 3 of the Protocol: Clearance, removal or destruction of explosive remnants of war

High Contracting Party: Republic of Korea

Reporting for time period from: 01/01/2019 to 31/12/2019

Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 3:

- For recent decades, active hostilities such as armed conflicts almost never broke out in ROK. In this sense, there was extremely small number of the ERW (except for mines) detected, which were suspected to be used during the Korean War.

- Each branch of ROK armed forces has its own Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Team in charge of disposing unexploded ordnance (UXO) and explosive remnants of war (ERW).

Any other relevant information:

- International obligations set forth in this Protocol regarding clearance, removal and destruction of the ERW are stated in the relevant articles of ROK MND's Instruction on Explosive Ordnance Disposal (MND Instructions No. 2124, ed in 2018). The Instruction stipulates prompt and safe disposal of diverse explosive ordinances including UXO, AXO, ED during both peace and wartime. In addition, the Instruction specifies standards, methods, procedures, and environmental protection obligations in detail when disposing ammunition in ammunition-demilitarized sites in accordance with the 「Act on the Management of Military Supplies」.

- According to the Article 12 of the Instruction, the ROK Armed Forces has been providing maximum support for salvaging explosive ordnances including ERW discovered in civilian areas.
FORM B: Steps taken to implement Article 4 of the Protocol: Recording, retaining and transmission of information

High Contracting Party: Republic of Korea

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

Nil

Any other relevant information:
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

High Contracting Party: Republic of Korea

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

- For several years, in ROK, there was no newly laid mine. In case of existing mines, the ROK government have been taking all possible precautionary measures, including installing fences, signs and warnings and monitoring in accordance with Article 7 of the CW Act, in order to protect civilians from the risks and effects of mines.

* Article 7 (Warning signs and Access Blocking Measures)
  1. The head of a military unit having installed mines or head of a military unit with jurisdiction over an area which cause damage to civilians caused by mines (hereinafter referred to as "mine area") shall provide warning signs fulfilling requirements of attached Table around the area where the mines have been installed or the mine area.
  2. The head of a military unit with jurisdiction over the area installed with antipersonnel mines not remotely delivered who have not fulfilled the requirements of the items of subparagraph 3 of Article 3 shall take measures necessary for storing and blocking access by means other than warning signs under paragraph (1) in the area where the mines are laid so that civilians do not access the area: Provided, That this shall not apply where the angle of flying debris upon explosion of the antipersonnel mines is at a horizontal angle of 90 degrees or less, the use time of the antipersonnel mines is less than 72 hours, and the installation area adjoins the military unit which has installed the anti-personnel mines.
  3. No person may remove, damage, destroy or conceal the warning signs installed under paragraph (1) or harm the thereof by other means.

- Local troops in charge of the mine area are taking preventive measures such as installing warning signs (barbed wire, notice board, etc) for the local residents to provide information about the mines and restricting their access to the area.

Any other relevant information:
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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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 6:
Nil

Any other relevant information:
FORM E: Steps taken to implement Article 7 and Article 8 of the Protocol:
Assistance with respect to existing explosive remnants of war and cooperation and assistance

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 7 and Article 8:

- The ROK MND has been actively participating in the EWG on HWA which is one of the cooperative programmes of ASEAN Defense Minister Meeting (ADMM).

  - From 14 to 22 September 2019 in Sentul, Indonesia, the FTX on mock training on removal of UXOs was conducted. ROK personnel participated; each played a role as an observer (observe and advise the training) and an instructor (advise guide removal of mines) respectively. This provided an opportunity to share each state's policy on removal of landmines UXOs as well as new technology trends and to further strengthen cooperative relationships.

- The ROK Government’s support on Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, and Myanmar in their various projects for removal of mines and UXOs are as follows:
  - Dispatching ROK military experts to participate in the assessment team for Korean International Cooperation Agency(KOICA)'s 'Capacity Building Projects for the Removal of Landmines/UXOs and Integrated Response in Vietnam and Laos' (2-13 July 2019, Vietnam/Laos)
    - To assess mine actions related policy and examined implementation progress of the removal programme; advised site technology and removal of landmines and UXOs.
  - Dispatching ROK military experts to participate in the preliminary assessment team for KOICA's 'Peace Village Projects through removal of landmines/UXOs in Cambodia.' (6-12 October, 2019, Cambodia)
    - To Support project planning such as review of the sections for removal of landmines/UXOs and studied international standards and cases in landmines/UXOs.
  - Dispatching military experts to participate in KOICA's 'International Training Program for ROK-Mekong Peace Villages' (4-8 November, 2019, ROK)
    - To Discuss mutual cooperative measures including removal of landmines/UXOs for ‘peaceful and inclusive farming’ in four Mekong countries (Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Vietnam).
    - To Introduce ROK military's technology, equipment, and resources for removal of landmines; demonstrated mine detection and removal.

Any other relevant information:
FORM E(a): Steps taken by States which have ERW victims to implement the relevant provisions of Article 8(2): Victim Assistance

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Steps taken to implement the relevant provisions of Article 8(2):
Nil

Other relevant information, guided by the Plan of Action on Victim Assistance:

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CONVENTION ON CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS
**FORM F:** Steps taken to implement Article 9 of the Protocol: Generic preventive measures

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

- The ROK government maintains standard procedures to deal with EOs in accordance with the "Instructions on the Safe Management of Military Ammunition and Explosive Ordnance (MND Instruction, No. 2155, revised in 2018)." The purpose of the Instruction is to protect the lives and properties of citizens by regulating in detail about safety standards of military ammunition, EO and its relevant equipment and ammunition facility in order to prevent safety-accident and to perform effective management.

- These procedures conform to general preventive measures prescribed in the Protocol.

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**Any other relevant information:**
**FORM G:** Steps taken to implement Article 11 of the Protocol: Compliance

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 11:

- The Ministry of National Defense (MND) has established the «Instruction on the Disposal of Explosive Remnants of» which entered in force in 2009 to clarify the mandates of each of the relevant division in the Ministry which deals with clearance, removal, and destruction of ERWs, and to implement other regulations stipulated in the Protocol V, in the event ERWs are detected in the ROK territory.

- In case of disposing the ERWs, the «ERW Disposal Instruction» is applied prior to the «Instruction on Explosive Ordnance Disposal». If the «ERW Disposal Instruction» is not applicable to a certain case, then the Article 12 of the «Instruction on Explosive Ordnance Disposal» will be applied.

- All instructions are open to public.

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Any other relevant information:

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FORM H: Other relevant matters

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Any other relevant information:
Nil