PROTOCOL V

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:** ITALY

**Reporting for time period from:** 01/01/2015 to 31/12/2015

**Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 3:**

Contingents in theatre only exert an “operational” control of the areas of operation. If such areas are ERW-contaminated, then Italian troops may carry out marking and clearing activities in such areas.

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

High Contracting Party: ITALY

Reporting for time period from: 01/01/2015 to 31/12/2015

Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 4 and the Technical Annex:
The Italian Defence Staff has issued a specific internal regulation, by which the Armed Forces are tasked, inter alia, with recording and retaining of information related to the use, and possible abandonment, of ordnance in theatre. Italian contingents dispatched abroad are also briefed on the provisions of Protocol V, where applicable.

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: ITALY

Reporting for time period from: 01/01/2015 to 31/12/2015

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

Precautions for the protection of the civilian population, individual civilians and civilian objects from the risks and effects of explosive remnants of war are carried out thoroughly by the Italian Armed Forces.

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

N.A.

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Any other relevant information:

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

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**Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 7:**

Italian Armed Forces contingents operating in different international missions have recovered and destroyed the following explosive remnants of war:

- **Afghanistan:**
  - 1145 artillery shells
  - 7455 hand grenades
  - 3 improvised explosive devices (IED)
  - 118,848 bullets of different kind and calibre
  - 112 rockets
  - 56 missiles
  - 628 various explosive devices

- **Lebanon:**
  - 109 artillery shells
  - 3333 bullets of different kind and calibre

- **Kosovo:**
  - Clearing of 354,636 sm mine field (Joint activity carried out with Moldovan EOD squad)

Italy has supported the following projects related to unexploded and abandoned explosive remnants of war:

- Colombia: support to the UNMAS initiative – EUR 200,000
- Sudan: support to UNMAS initiative - EUR 250,000
- Syria: support to the UNMAS initiative – EUR 246,863
- Gaza: support to the UNMAS initiative – EUR 250,000
- Bosnia Herzegovina: bilateral initiative – EUR 200,000

**Any other relevant information:**

As of 1st of January 2016 a new implementing agent (Italian Agency for Development Cooperation) has been created to carry out demining projects on behalf of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.
FORM F: Steps taken to implement Article 8 of the Protocol: Co-operation and assistance

High Contracting Party: ITALY

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 8:

Italy organised 5 courses on mine awareness– for 50 persons - in Afghanistan

Any other relevant information:
FORM G: Steps taken to implement Article 9 of the Protocol: Generic preventive measures

High Contracting Party: ITALY

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

Italian Armed Forces apply the necessary preventive, precautionary, technical and safety measures aimed at limiting the occurrence of ERW. They have updated current logistical procedures to the new national guidelines for the management of explosive material employed in out-of-area operations.

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

High Contracting Party: ITALY

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 11:

The content and the provisions of Protocol V have been disseminated thoroughly within the Italian Armed Forces, with particular care for the contingents deployed in international missions.

Any other relevant information:
FORM I: Other relevant matters

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Any other relevant information:

Law no. 95/2011 authorised Italy’s ratification of the Convention on Cluster Munitions. The Italian instrument of ratification was deposited on 21 September 2011.

The date of the Convention’s entry into force for Italy is 1 March 2012.