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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X YES

□ NO
REPORTING PERIOD: 01.01.2013 to 31.12.2013

Form A: Dissemination of information: □ changed
X unchanged (last reporting: 2004)

Form B: Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes: □ changed
X unchanged (last reporting: 2004)

Form C: Technical requirements and relevant information: □ changed
X unchanged (last reporting: 2004)

Form D: Legislation: □ changed
X unchanged (last reporting: 2004)

Form E: International technical information exchange, co-operation on mine clearance, technical co-operation and assistance:
X changed (last reporting: 2013)
□ unchanged

Form F: Other relevant matters: X changed (last reporting: 2013)
□ unchanged

Form G: Information to the UN-database on mine clearance: □ changed
X unchanged (last reporting: 2004)
Form E  International technical information exchange, co-operation on mine clearance, technical co-operation and assistance

Article 13/4/e  “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary … on:

(a) measures taken on international technical information exchange, on international co-operation on mine clearance, and on technical co-operation and assistance;”

Remark:

High Contracting Party  ESTONIA reporting for  01.01.2013  to  31.12.2013

International technical information exchange:

Nothing to report.

International co-operation on mine clearance:

From 2009 to 2013, Estonian Defence Forces co-operated with the United Kingdom in the field of Explosive Ordnance Disposal in order to enhance co-operation in multinational environment and missions.

Technical co-operation and assistance:

Since 1999, Estonia has annually contributed to the United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund for Assistance in Mine Clearance. The amount of contributions to date is 100 042 USD.

In 2013, personnel of Explosive Ordnance Disposal unit of Estonian Defence Forces took part in demining efforts in Afghanistan.

In 2013, experts of Explosive Ordinance Disposal Centre of the Estonian Rescue Board participated together with colleagues from the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency in the demining mission in Mali.
Form F

Other relevant matters

Article 13/4/f

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(a) other relevant matters.”

Remark:

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Other relevant matters:

In 2013, Estonian Defence Forces had one CMD team (5 persons) in a 5-day deployment readiness in the structure of NATO Response Force (NRF).

Estonia has been active in providing assistance to and building up Georgia’s capacity in the spirit of the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons. From 2007 – 2009, Estonia was one of the lead nations of NATO/PfP Georgia II Trust Fund for the demilitarization of rockets and missiles in Georgia. The project comprised the demilitarisation of S-8 Air to Surface unguided missiles, and Alazan and Kristall anti-hail rockets. Estonia contributed EUR 30,000 to the project.

From 2009-2013, Estonia was among the lead nations for NATO/PfP Trust Fund project on ERW including anti-personnel land mines’ clearance and medical rehabilitation support to Georgia (NATO/PfP Georgia III Trust Fund). The objectives of the project were the development and enhancement of Georgia’s Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) capacity, through the provision of specialist EOD equipment and training to the Georgian Armed Forces and the provision of the establishment of a physical rehabilitation centre at the Military Hospital in Gori. Estonia’s contribution to the Trust Fund was EUR 136,667.

In 2013, a continual project was launched to the previous NATO/PfP Trust Funds. The objective of the new NATO/PfP Trust Fund project is EOD clearance at the former SKRA ammunition depot and further development training to the previously trained EOD Company. Estonia’s contribution to the Trust Fund to the date of the reporting is EUR 60,000.