Convention on Cluster Munitions

Reporting under article 7

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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.

In 2007 the Programme for the Clearance and Prevention of Explosive Remnants of War for the years 2007-2020 was approved by the Government of the Republic of Lithuania. The primary objective of the Programme is to ensure that ERWs are found, their potential threat to people prevented and adverse effects to private and public activities minimised. The Programme deals with the widest possible range of ERWs, including anti-personnel mines, anti-vehicles mines and cluster munitions.

In 2013 the Programme was amended assigning more functions to the Fire and Rescue Department under the Ministry of Interior.

Lithuania started marking and ERW clearance activities in summer 2008. Engineer Battalion of the Armed Forces is tasked to clear and destroy the explosives.

In 2019 was checked and cleaned about 20 ha of polluted territories and found 4275 pieces of different explosive ordnance. From 2008 till the end of 2019 Lithuanian Armed Forces EOD company checked and cleaned over 873 ha of polluted territories and found over 24 775 pieces of different explosive ordnance (anti-vehicle and anti-personnel mines, mortar, shells, grenades, cluster munitions, aviation bombs, ammunition etc.).

International cooperation and assistance:

Lithuanian Navy hosted the international maritime explosive remnants of war disposal exercise Open Spirit 2019 in the Baltic Sea. The exercise aims to reduce the threat of unexploded ordnance throughout the Baltic Sea region, including seabed communications lines, international shipping routes, and fishing areas.

Lithuanian Armed Forces EOD section size unit participated in the international demining exercise Detonators 2019 in Latvia which focused on demining of ERW left from the II World War.

Lithuanian contribution to international Trust Funds in 2019:

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