

AMENDED PROTOCOL II

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

NAME OF THE HIGH
CONTRACTING PARTY: SWEDEN

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This information can be available to other interested parties and relevant organizations:

YES

NO

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Form A: Dissemination of information:

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(last reporting year: 2009)

Form B: Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes:

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Form C: Technical requirements and relevant information:

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Form D: Legislation:

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Form E: International technical information exchange, co-operation on mine clearance, technical co-operation and assistance:

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Form F: Other relevant matters:

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Form G: Information to the UN-database on mine clearance:

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Form E **International technical information exchange, cooperation on mine clearance, technical cooperation and assistance**

Article 13,
paragraph 4 (e)

“The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary [...] on [...]:

(e) measures taken on international technical information exchange, on international cooperation on mine clearance, and on technical cooperation and assistance;”

Remark:

High Contracting Party:

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INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE:

The Swedish Armed Forces (SAF) are involved in the work on standardizing mine action conducted by NATO through Partnership for Peace.

At the Nordic level, there are networks between the Defence Research Establishments. The Swedish EOD and Demining Centre (SWEDEC) is a Swedish Centre of Excellence for mine clearance and explosive ordnance disposal, as well as humanitarian demining within the SAF. SWEDEC is responsible for active participation in international efforts and information exchange.

In co-operation with GICHD, the SAF has developed a hand-held survey tool for the UN information system IMSMA, which is based on the Swedish information system EOD IS. Partner countries using EOD IS are also sharing information through a special network. Additional information on these matters can be found at www.mil.se/swedec and www.eodis.org.

The Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB) and SAF through SWEDEC are actively supporting GICHD both directly and indirectly in many activities. A good example of such support is the test and evaluation activity at SWEDEC of demining machines using the CEN Workshop Agreement no. 15044 now being a worldwide accepted standard for such equipment.

MSB is a Stand-by partner to the UN and ICRC and conducts humanitarian operations, including humanitarian mine action, worldwide.

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INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON MINE CLEARANCE:

During the period covered by this report (2013), Sweden contributed at least SEK 83 885 000 to mine action. Most of this was channelled through the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida). For details, see the attached Table 1.

The Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB) is operational in the field of mine action in support of primarily UNMAS and the ICRC. MSB has an EOD rapid response capacity, as well as expertise in fields such as Mechanical Clearance, Quality Assurance (QA), Mine Detection Dogs (MDD) and IMSMA. In the reporting period, Humanitarian Mine Action activities have been carried out by the MSB, through UNMAS, in the Republic of Congo, Libya, Mali, CAR, Palestine and towards the situation in Syria. Sweden has also supported MRE activities in Mali, through seconded expertise from MSB to UNICEF.

During the period covered by this report, MSB has conducted technical training and exercises within Mine Action.

In 1997, Sweden established SWEDEC.

SWEDEC is the country's focal point on technical matters, development, education and training.

Today SWEDEC is focused on education and training of individual officers and military units on Conventional Munitions Disposal (CMD) and Improvised Explosive Device Disposal (IEDD) as well as related research and development.

Sweden is lead nation in the user group for EOD IS where SWEDEC offers an important contribution. Also SWEDEC contributes to relevant IT (IMSMA) development for UNMAS through GICHD.

TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE:

Sweden is actively involved in the EU 7th Framework program on research and development of a mine clearance toolbox, which includes mechanical mine clearance, vegetation clearance equipment and development of a gender balanced Land Release concept.

When the International Test and Evaluation Program for humanitarian demining was established between 2000-2010 through the signing of the ITEP MoU the SAF through SWEDEC has been actively supporting the humanitarian demining community. SWEDEC has continued to support through test and evaluation of technologies when requested by the UN and/or GICHD. Some examples lately are:

- Upon a request from GICHD and UNDP SWEDEC sent an expert on demining machines to Iraq in order to train their engineers on how to test and evaluate demining machines.
- Support to GICHD in planning for tests of large loop UXO detectors in Laos.

Test support in Croatia upon request from GICHD and UNDP of an electromagnet mounted on a demining machine order to reduce the number of metal fragments in an area before using metal detectors for searching and clearing AP-mines.

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Table 1: Swedish Development cooperation in Mine action¹ (including cluster munitions/ERW) disbursed budget year 2013

Contributions by recipient and sector

Sector	Recipient Country	Recipient Organization/ Institution	Amount in donor currency	Donor Government Agency/ Department
COUNTRY based allocation				
Demining/ Clearance	Afghanistan	Danish Demining Group, DDG	SEK 1 850 000	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)
Mine Action	Iraq	DDG	SEK 12 000 000	Sida
Mine Action	Iraq	Mines Advisory Group, MAG	SEK 8 800 000	Sida
Mine Action	South Sudan	DDG	SEK 15 000 000	Sida
Mine Action	South Sudan	UNDP	SEK 1 000 000	Sida
Mine Action	Mozambique	UNDP	SEK 25 000 000	Sida
Mine Action (excl. Clearance)	Colombia	UNICEF	SEK 2 000 000 ²	Sida
Mine Action (excl. Clearance)	Colombia	UNDP	SEK 1 000 000 ³	Sida
Mine Action (excl. Clearance)	Colombia	ICRC	SEK 1 000 000 ⁴	Sida

¹ The definition of Mine Action used includes the following elements: i) Mine awareness (measures to make people aware of and to inform people of the risks of mines and unexploded ammunition) ii) Demining (survey, mapping, marking, clearance) iii) Victim assistance (support to victims of mines, including rehabilitation and reintegration), iv) Advocacy (efforts to exert an influence in respect of limitation on the use of landmines and the total prohibition of anti-personal mines), v) Stockpile destruction (destruction of mines in stock). If "Mine Action" is indicated it implies a contribution integrating all the elements in the definition stated. If specific elements in the definition are indicated it implies that x contribution focuses on the indicated elements.

² Approximate budget estimation as only part of contribution is related to Mine Action.

³ Ibid.

⁴ Ibid.

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GLOBAL program allocation				
Demining/ Awareness/ Advocacy	Misc.	Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD)	SEK 2 000 000	Sida
Awareness/ Advocacy	Misc.	Geneva Call	SEK 650 000 ⁵	Sida
Awareness/ Mine Risk education	Misc.	UNICEF	SEK 5 280 000 ⁶	Sida
HUMANITARIAN Aid Support⁷				
Demining/ Secondment	Mali	Swedish Contingencies Agency, MSB	SEK 3 050 000	Sida
Demining/ Secondment	CAR	Swedish Contingencies Agency, MSB/ UNMAS	SEK 4 130 000	Sida
OTHER support				
Demining/ Clearance	Cambodia	NPA	SEK 625 000	MFA
Awareness/ Advocacy	Misc.	APLC Implementation Support Unit	SEK 500 000	MFA
TOTAL			SEK 83 885 000	

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⁷ Based on the "Rapid Response Mechanism" as established with the Swedish Contingencies Agency, MSB.