The Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office for Disarmament Affairs (Geneva Branch) and has the honor to enclose the Compliance Report of the Slovak Republic submitted pursuant to the Decision of the Third Review Conference of 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 (CCW), covering the period from 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2014.

The Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office for Disarmament Affairs (Geneva Branch) the assurances of its highest consideration.


Enclosure: 8 pages

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REPORTING FORMS

pursuant to the Decision of the Third CCW Review Conference on the establishment of a Compliance mechanism applicable to the Convention, as contained in its Final Declaration, Annex II, Paragraph 5 (CCW/CONF.III/11, Part II)

COVER PAGE

NAME OF THE HIGH CONTRACTING PARTY: SLOVAKIA

PARTY TO:
☑ Protocol I (Protocol on Non-Detectable Fragments)
☑ Protocol II (Protocol on Mines Booby-Traps and Other Devices)
☑ Amended Protocol II (amended Protocol on Mines Booby-Traps and Other Devices)
☑ Protocol III (Protocol on Incendiary Weapons)
☑ Protocol IV (Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons)
☑ Protocol V (Protocol on Explosive Remnants of War)

ACCEDED TO:
☑ The amendment to Article 1 of the Convention

DATE OF SUBMISSION: March 2015
(dd/mm/yyyy)

(NOTE: the recommended deadline for submission of the national reports was fixed by the 2007 Meeting of the High Contracting Parties at 1 October of each calendar year)

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

☐ NO

☐ Partially, only the following forms: A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐

(NOTE: unless otherwise indicated all reports will be made public.

Note: Pursuant to paragraph 5 of the above Decision the High Contracting Parties have agreed "to provide information to the Secretary-General in advance of the Meeting, which will be circulated by the Secretary-General to all the High Contracting Parties, on any of the following matters:

1 Please indicate individually for the CCW and each Protocol (if different).

CONVENTION ON CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS
(a) Dissemination of information on the Convention and its annexed Protocols to their armed forces and to the civilian population;

(b) Steps taken to meet the relevant technical requirements of the Convention and its annexed Protocols and any other relevant information pertaining thereto;

(c) Legislation related to the Convention and its annexed Protocols;

(d) Measures taken on technical co-operation and assistance; and

(e) Other relevant matters.”

Each of the items listed above are provided as separate individual forms to be filled out by each High Contracting Party accordingly.
FORM A: Dissemination of information

Paragraph 5 of the Decision on Compliance:

"The High Contracting Parties will provide information [...] on:

(a) Dissemination of information on the Convention and its annexed Protocols to their armed forces and to the civilian population;"

High Contracting Party: ________________________________

Reporting period: from [dd/mm/yyyy] to [dd/mm/yyyy]

☐ additional information of dissemination of information on CCW Amended Protocol II to armed forces and civilian population is contained in the National Annual Report provided in accordance with paragraph 4(a) of Article 13 of Amended Protocol II for the year: ____________________

☐ additional information on dissemination of information on CCW Protocol V is contained in the National Report provided pursuant to paragraph 2 (b) of Article 10 of Protocol V for the year: ____________________

Information to the armed forces, including the extent to which the CCW and its Protocols are part of military manuals and the training curriculum of its armed forces:

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Information to the civilian population, including information on any programs, courses or documentation to disseminate the CCW to non-military audiences:

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Any other relevant information:

____________________________________________________________________
Form A: Dissemination of information:
☐ changed
☒ unchanged
(last reporting year:) 2007

Form B: Technical requirements and relevant information:
☐ changed
☒ unchanged
(last reporting year:) 2007

Form C: Legislation:
☐ changed
☒ unchanged
(last reporting year:) 2007

Form D: Technical cooperation and assistance:
☒ changed
☐ unchanged
(last reporting year:) 

Form E: Other relevant matters:
☒ changed
☐ unchanged
(last reporting year:) 

NOTE: This Summary Sheet may be used only after the High Contracting Party has submitted its first national report pursuant to the Decision of the Third CCW Review Conference. Only the reporting forms which are indicated as „changed“ have to be submitted thereafter together with the Cover page and the Summary Sheet.
FORM B: Technical requirements and relevant information

Paragraph 5 of the Decision on Compliance:

"The High Contracting Parties will provide information [...] on:

(b) *Steps taken to meet the relevant technical requirements of the Convention and its annexed Protocols and any other relevant information pertaining thereto;*

High Contracting Party: __________________________________________

Reporting period: from [dd/mm/yyyy] to [dd/mm/yyyy]

☐ additional information on steps taken to meet technical requirements of Amended Protocol II and other relevant information pertaining thereto is contained in the National Annual Report provided pursuant to paragraph 4(c) of Article 13 of Amended Protocol II for the year: [___]

☐ additional information on steps taken to meet technical requirements of Protocol V and other relevant information pertaining thereto is contained in the National Report provided pursuant to paragraph 2 (b) of Article 10 of Protocol V for the year: [___]

Steps taken to meet the relevant technical requirements of the Convention and its annexed Protocols:

Any other relevant information:

CONVENTION ON CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS
FORM C: Legislation

Paragraph 5 of the Decision on Compliance:

"The High Contracting Parties will provide information [...] on:

(c) Legislation related to the Convention and its annexed Protocols;"

High Contracting Party: ____________________________

Reporting period: from [dd/mm/yyyy] to [dd/mm/yyyy]

☐ additional information of legislation related to Amended Protocol II is contained in the National Annual Report provided pursuant to paragraph 4(d) of Article 13 of Amended Protocol II for the year _______

☐ additional information on legislation related to Protocol V is contained in the National Report provided pursuant to paragraph 2 (b) of Article 10 of Protocol V for the year: _______

Legislation, including the status and content of national legislation to prevent and suppress violations of amended Protocol II:

____________________________________________________________________

Any other relevant information, including the regulations and policies (other than national legislation) adopted to implement the CCW's obligations and ensure compliance with its Protocols:

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CONVENTION ON CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS
FORM D: Technical cooperation and assistance

Paragraph 5 of the Decision on Compliance:

"The High Contracting Parties will provide information [...] on:

(d) Measures taken on technical co-operation and assistance,"

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High Contracting Party: SLOVAKIA

Reporting period: from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2014

☑ additional information of measures taken on international technical information exchange, on international cooperation on mine clearance, and on technical cooperation and assistance is contained in the National Annual Report provided in accordance with paragraph 4(e) of Article 13 of Amended Protocol II for the year: 2014

☑ additional information on measures taken on international technical cooperation and assistance is contained in the National Report provided pursuant to paragraph 2 (b) of Article 10 of Protocol V for the year: 2014

International technical co-operation, including relevant experiences in seeking or providing technical assistance and cooperation:

Slovakia:
- conducted theoretical preparation and practical training in EOR (Explosive Ordnance Reconnaissance) for Ukrainian troops (12 soldiers) in NOV 2014,
- conducted de-mining course for Ukrainian troops (15 soldiers) also in NOV 2014 on the territory of Slovakia.
- conducted field surgery preparation course for Ukrainian medics on the territory of Slovakia,
- dispatched medics to international co-operation by reason of military problems on the eastern territory of Ukraine.

International technical assistance:

N/A

Any other relevant information:

N/A
FORM E: Other relevant matters

Paragraph 5 of the Decision on Compliance:

"The High Contracting Parties will provide information [...] on:

(e) Other relevant matters."

High Contracting Party: SLOVAKIA

Reporting period: from 01/01/2014 to 31/12/2014

additional relevant information is contained in the National Annual Report provided pursuant to paragraph 4(a) of Article 13 of Amended Protocol II for the year: 

additional relevant information is contained in the National Report provided pursuant to paragraph 2 (b) of Article 10 of Protocol V for the year: 2014

Other relevant matters:

Pursuant to conclusions and recommendations of the Eighth Conference of the High Contracting Parties to Protocol V which took place from 10 to 11 November 2014 Slovakia can provide information to the following questions:

Who in your country armed forces is responsible for management of munitions site? Does this responsibility change during an armed conflict?
The Office of Logistical Support of the Slovak Armed Forces is responsible for the management of munitions sites in peace time as well as during an armed conflict.

What are standard operating procedures under which your munitions are managed? Are these procedures in accordance with the International Ammunition Technical Guidelines?
The management of munitions is regulated by Act No. 58/2014 - Law about explosives, explosive ordnance and munitions. This document deals also with management of munitions sites. The procedures in munitions sites are controlled by military regulations Del-28-2, Del-27-4, Žen-23-1 and Let-24-27.

What measures are taken to maintain munitions storage areas? Are the munitions sites regularly checked? And if so, how often are the sites checked?
The munitions site manager is responsible for cleaning the rooms. The safety operator annually checks the building condition, fire safety (e.g. lightning rods). Any requirement regarding building maintenance is taken care of by the Ministry of Defense.
The munitions sites are guarded and they are checked according to regulations daily. The manager of munitions site checks munitions sites regularly according to military regulations (weekly, monthly, etc.)

What records are kept of those who enter such sites?
Every entry to munitions site is recorded: first name, last name, ID No., number of visited building with munitions, purpose of entrance, time of arrival and time of departure.

What records are maintained on the numbers and types of munitions stored?
The manager of munitions site (building with munitions) is responsible to record every expenditure and reception of munitions according to the military regulation Vsevojsk-17-5/s - military material number, category of item, name of the item, serial number, year of production, code country of origin.

How often are the munitions inspected? What procedures are in place to identify and remove degraded munitions?
The munitions are inspected according to the Ministry of Defense Directive - six months before expiration of its
guarantee period or periodic examination. The periodic examination is specified every five or two years (it depends on category of the item).
In case of any disaster, the munitions present on the place of disaster (in munitions sites, at the training, etc.) should be inspected no later than one year after the incident.

Has your country received outside expert assistance or advice on munitions safety in storage and transportation? Slovakia hasn’t received outside assistance or advice.