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)

Reporting Formats for Article 13 para 2 and Article 11 para 2.

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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:

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

Remark:--

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International technical information exchange

The Federal Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sport (DDPS) participated in international information exchanges in various ways, among others, by providing technical information and practical demonstrations on Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) systems for the contact-free disposal of Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) and mines, but also by organising training courses with the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD) for Mine Action Specialists within the EAPC/PfP framework.

International co-operation on mine clearance

In 2009 the Swiss Government spent CHF 15.75 millions on projects related to antipersonnel mines. In 2010, expenditures of CHF 14 to 16 millions are again in the budget. The Federal Department of Foreign Affairs supports APM-clearing-projects, projects integrating mine action into development, risk warning campaigns and victim assistance projects mainly with financial contributions. The Federal Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sport (DDPS) is providing experts for Mine Action Programmes by the UN and selected NGOs on a voluntary basis. During the reporting period, Swiss experts participated in missions to Albania, Laos, Nepal and Sudan. During the year 2010 Swiss experts support missions in Laos, Nepal, and Sudan. The DDPS further developed and updated its specific training course for future experts to be sent to international Mine Action Programs. Moreover, Switzerland, during the reporting period, provided technical assistance (mainly EOD systems) to selected Mine Action Programs and projects (UN and NGOs) in Sudan (NPA and FSD).
### Technical co-operation and assistance

Generally, the Swiss offer of EOD systems includes not only the material but also training and support (follow-up deliveries may take place upon request). Since 2000 Switzerland has been offering international training courses on the Information Management System for Mine Action (IMSMA) via the channels of the Partnership for Peace Program (PiP). In 2009, the DDPS offered together with GICHD a third annual course on "Mine Action Technologies and Techniques". Since 2009 a General Course on Mine Action is offered by the DDPS at the GICHD ("Humanitarian Mine Action and the Military") twice a year instead of the IMSMA course. This courses go along with the thematic course "Evaluation on Mine Action Programmes" which takes place for the first time in 2010.
Form F

Other relevant matters

Article 13 / 4 / f

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(f) other relevant matters.

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Other relevant matters

The Swiss Government contributed CHF 8.83 millions to the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining in 2009. For 2010 CHF 8 millions are in the budget.
Form G  

Information to the UN-database on mine clearance

Article 11 para 2  
The High Contracting Parties shall provide information to the database on mine clearance established within the United Nations System, especially on:

- information concerning various means and technologies of mine clearance, and lists of experts, expert agencies or national points of contact on mine clearance

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