REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

ANNUAL REPORT

SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE 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 INDIRECTIMATE EFFECTS

VALID AS OF: MARCH 2013
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: Republic of Moldova

DATE OF SUBMISSION: 31 March 2013

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

[ ] YES

[ ] NO
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Form B: Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes:
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Form C: Technical requirements and relevant information:
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REPORTING FORMATS

for Article 13 paragraph 4 and Article 11 paragraph 2

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☐ Partially, only the following forms:

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐
Form A  Dissemination of information

Article 13, paragraph 4 (a)  “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary […] on […]:

(a) dissemination of information on this Protocol to their armed forces and to the civilian population;”

Remark:

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INFORMATION TO THE ARMED FORCES:
The information on the Protocol is disseminated among the military personnel by means of instructive lectures.

INFORMATION TO THE CIVILIAN POPULATION:
The information on the Protocol is disseminated by the military personnel of engineer units to the people living in the areas where the mine clearance is conducted.
Form B

Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes

Article 13, paragraph 4 (b) “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary […] on […]:

(b) mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes;”

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MINE CLEARANCE PROGRAMMES:

Within the period of 1992 – 2004 the engineer units of the National Army have conducted the mine clearance operations in those areas on the territory of the Republic of Moldova, which were contaminated with mines and unexploded ordnance (UXO) during World War II and Transdniestrian conflict of 1992, thus detecting and destroying 18 087 mines and other unexploded ordnance:

1992 – 1993: 4 163 mines and other UXO
1994: 331 mines and other UXO
1995: 576 mines and other UXO
1996: 896 mines and other UXO
1997: 574 mines and other UXO
1998: 258 mines and other UXO
1999: 311 mines and other UXO
2000: 1 698 mines and other UXO
2001: 1 586 mines and other UXO
2002: 586 mines and other UXO
2003: 255 mines and other UXO
2004: 612 mines and other UXO
2005: 916 mines and other UXO
2006: 1 251 mines and other UXO
2007: 540 mines and other UXO
2008: 1 621 mines and other UXO
2009: 1 027 mines and other UXO
2010: 886 mines and other UXO

The minefields in the vicinity of the following communities: Cocieri, Chitcani, Copanca, installed by the military factions in 1992 during the Transdniestrian conflict, except of that
near the community Pohrebea, had been cleared. Afterwards, during the period of 04 May – 09 August of 2000, the mined area near the community Pohrebea was also cleared by the engineer units of the National Army. At the same time, annually, the National Army is conducting de-mining missions on the territory of the Republic of Moldova (except the transdnestrian region), over the found mines and unexploded ordnance (UXO) from the World War II time. The risk of WWII UXO's are relatively high in the central part of the Republic of Moldova (Anenii Noi, Causeni, Straseni), and medium in the following districts (Chisinau, Ialoveni, Hincesti, Nisporeni, Calarasi, Straseni). Risk are relatively minor in the south and north.

REHABILITATION PROGRAMMES:
At present, no rehabilitation programmes are conducted.
Form C  Technical requirements and relevant information

Article 13, paragraph 4 (c)  “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary […] on […]:

(c) steps taken to meet technical requirements of this Protocol and any other relevant information pertaining thereto;”

Remark:

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<th>TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:</th>
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<td>Within the period of 23 September – 26 November 2002 the National Army of the Republic of Moldova has destroyed its stockpiles of antipersonnel mines:</td>
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<td>PMN blast mines – 9 792 pieces</td>
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<td>PMN-2 blast mines – 800 pieces</td>
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<td>MAI-75 blast mines – 544 pieces</td>
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<td>Within the same period the National Army of the Republic of Moldova has destroyed the stockpiles of antipersonnel mines, which belonged to the Ministry of Internal Affairs:</td>
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<td>MAI-75 blast mines – 2 056 pieces</td>
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<td>MON-100 fragmentation mines – 2 pieces</td>
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<td>In 2004 the National Army of the Republic of Moldova has destroyed the following number of its antipersonnel mines:</td>
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<td>PMN blast mines – 200 pieces</td>
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<td>PMN-2 blast mines – 136 pieces</td>
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<td>MAI-75 blast mines – 400 pieces</td>
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<td>Within the period of 2006 – 2007 the National Army of the Republic of Moldova has destroyed the following number of its antipersonnel mines:</td>
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<td>MON-100 fragmentation mines – 178 pieces</td>
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<td>MON-50 fragmentation mines – 12 pieces</td>
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<td>OZM-72 fragmentation mines – 59 pieces</td>
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<td>M-14 blast mines – 50 pieces</td>
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<td>MS-4 special mines – 45 pieces</td>
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ANY OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION:

| Not Applicable |
**Form D**

Legislation

Article 13, paragraph 4 (d)

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

(d) legislation related to this Protocol;”

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**LEGISLATION:**

Although there is no national legislation, which is specifically related to the Protocol, the Criminal Code of the Republic of Moldova envisages penal sanctions for the storage, purchase, selling and use of weapons and ammunitions, including antipersonnel mines.
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:

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INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE:
Since 1994 the National Army of the Republic of Moldova has actively been participating in various international activities organized within the framework of the Partnership for Peace Program. The specialists from engineer units are involved in the process of military cooperation with the militaries of other countries. It positively contributed to the increase of their proficiency. Exchanges of information on mines and mine clearance methods is one of the essential parts of the above mentioned activities.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON MINE CLEARANCE:
Within the period of September 2003 – January 2007 the Explosive Ordnance Disposal Units of the National Army were deployed to Iraq for mine, UXO and Improvised Explosives Devices (IED) clearance and disposal. As a result, more than 486 812 mines, UXO and IED were destroyed.

TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE:
On 28th of June 2001, the Republic of Moldova and NATO signed an Agreement for assistance in the destruction of the stockpiles of antipersonnel mines. The Agreement envisaged the providing of material assistance and training by NATO’s Maintenance and Supply Agency (NAMSA) for the project implementation. Thus, within the period of 23 September – 26 November 2002 with NAMSA’s assistance the Republic of Moldova has destroyed 13 194 antipersonnel mines and therefore, has destroyed all its stockpiles of the
antipersonnel mines.
**Form F** Other relevant matters

| Article 13, paragraph 4 (f) | “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary […] on […]:

(f) other relevant matters.” |

*Remark:*

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**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS:**

| Not Applicable |
Form G Information to the UN-database on mine clearance

Article 11, paragraph 2, “2. Each High Contracting Party undertakes to provide information to the database on mine clearance established within the United Nations System, especially information concerning various means and technologies of mine clearance, and lists of experts, expert agencies or national points of contact on mine clearance.”

Remark:

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MEANS AND TECHNOLOGIES OF MINE CLEARANCE:

Not Applicable

LISTS OF EXPERTS AND EXPERT AGENCIES:

Not Applicable

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