
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,
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YES

NO

REPORTING PERIOD: 01.01.2012 to 31.12.2012

- Form A:** Dissemination of information: changed
 unchanged (last reporting: 2004)
- Form B:** Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes: changed
 unchanged (last reporting: 2004)
- Form C:** Technical requirements and relevant information: changed
 unchanged (last reporting: 2004)
- Form D:** Legislation: changed
 unchanged (last reporting: 2004)
- Form E:** International technical information exchange, co-operation on mine clearance, technical co-operation and assistance: changed (last reporting: 2012)
 unchanged
- Form F:** Other relevant matters: changed (last reporting: 2012)
 unchanged
- Form G:** Information to the UN-database on mine clearance: changed
 unchanged (last reporting: 2004)
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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:

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

Remark:

High Contracting Party **ESTONIA** reporting for **01.01.2012** to **31.12.2012**

International technical information exchange:

Nothing to report.

International co-operation on mine clearance:

In 2009, Estonia and the United Kingdom started co-operation in the field of EOD training, which is still ongoing.

Technical co-operation and assistance:

Since 1999, Estonia has annually contributed to the United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund for Assistance in Mine Clearance. The amount of contributions to date is 100 042 USD.

In 2012, Estonian deminers took part in demining efforts in Afghanistan.

Form F**Other relevant matters**

Article 13/4/f

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(a) other relevant matters.”

Remark:

High Contracting Party **ESTONIA** reporting for **01.01.2012** to **31.12.2012**

Other relevant matters:

In 1999 the US Government assisted in the establishment of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal Centre (EOD Centre). The EOD Centre is subordinated and led by the Estonian Rescue Board (under the Ministry of Interior). It conducts civilian EOD operations (neutralization of improvised explosive devices and unexploded ordnance, participation in police operations involving a potential risk of explosion and carrying out activities in the post-explosion scenes of an event) and provides EOD training. As of 2005, the new duties of the EOD Centre include reacting to CBRN (chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear substances) threats. Specialists of the centre were trained in the framework of the international Information Management System for Mine Action (IMSMA).

In 2005, an EOD platoon was established in Tapa Combat Support Training Centre for fulfilling domestic and international EOD tasks as a fully professional unit. At the beginning of 2008, an EOD Centre (equivalent to Company in the framework of Engineering Battalion) was established in the same Tapa Combat Support Training Centre. In the beginning of 2009 the EOD Centre reached IEEDD (Improvised Explosive Device Disposal) capability.

From July 1st 2006 to January 10th 2007 one EOD team (fifteen personnel) was in a 5-day deployability readiness in the structure of the NATO Response Forces (NRF-7). In the 1st half of 2009 a Conventional Ammunition Disposal (CMD) team was in the structure of the NATO Response Forces (NRF-12). In 2013 Estonia has one CMD team (5 people) in NRF readiness.

From 2007 – 2009, Estonia was one of the lead nations of NATO/PfP Georgia II Trust Fund for the demilitarization of rockets and missiles in Georgia. The project comprised the demilitarisation of S-8 Air to Surface unguided missiles, and Alazan and Kristall anti-hail rockets. Estonia contributed EUR 30,000 to the project.

NATO/PfP Trust Fund project on ERW including anti-personnel land mines' clearance and medical rehabilitation support to Georgia (NATO/PfP Georgia III Trust Fund) was launched in the fall of 2009 and successfully concluded in 2013. The lead nations of the project were Estonia, Lithuania and the Czech Republic. The objectives of the project were the development and enhancement of Georgia's Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) capacity, through the provision of specialist EOD equipment and training to the Georgian Armed Forces and the provision of the establishment of a physical rehabilitation centre at the Military Hospital in Gori. Estonia's contribution to the Trust Fund was EUR 136,667.