The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Turkey to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland presents its compliments to the Geneva Branch of the United Nations Department for Disarmament Affairs and has the honour to enclose herewith the Report of the Republic of Turkey concerning Amended Protocol II 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 (CCW), as well as the Compliance Report pursuant to the Decision of the Fourth CCW Review Conference on the establishment of a Compliance Mechanism applicable to the Convention, as contained in its Final Declaration, Annex III, Paragraph 3.

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

Geneva, 30 April 2012

Encl: as stated above

Secretariat of the CCW
Department for Disarmament Affairs
Geneva Branch
Palais des Nations
1211 GENEVA 10
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)

NAME OF THE HIGH CONTRACTING PARTY: Republic of Turkey

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: 26.03.2012
(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)

NATIONAL POINT(S) OF CONTACT¹ (Organization, telephones, fax, e-mail):
Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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:

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

¹ Please indicate individually for the CCW and each Protocol (if different).
(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.
Reporting period: from 01.10.2011 to 31.12.2011

Form A: Dissemination of information:
☐ changed
☒ unchanged
(last reporting year:) 2011

Form B: Technical requirements and relevant information:
☐ changed
☒ unchanged
(last reporting year:) 2011

Form C: Legislation:
☐ changed
☒ unchanged
(last reporting year:) 2011

Form D: Technical cooperation and assistance:
☐ changed
☒ unchanged
(last reporting year:) 2011

Form E: Other relevant matters:
☐ changed
☒ unchanged
(last reporting year:) 2011

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 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: Republic of Turkey

Reporting period: from 01.10.2011 to 31.12.2011

☐ 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:

1. Information on the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons and its annexed Protocols are disseminated to the military personnel through meetings and briefings, given by the qualified personnel. Turkish General Staff Headquarters published a document in order to inform the military personnel of the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons including its annexed Protocols.

2. Information on Reports of the Meetings of High Contracting Parties to the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons is disseminated to the military authorities.

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

Any other relevant information:

None.
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: Republic of Turkey

Reporting period: from 01.10.2011 to 31.12.2011

☐ 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:

1. Turkish Armed Forces Munition Disposal Facility was put into service on 08 November 2007. The facility is located in Yahşihan / Kırıkkale. The construction of the facility has been conducted in accordance with the agreement between Turkey and the NATO Maintenance and Supply Agency (NAMSA) signed in 2005. The facility is certified by NAMSA according to AASP and DOD 41 45 26 M as well as to EU environmental norms and standards. The destruction process of stockpiled antipersonnel mines continues in the Turkish Armed Forces Munition Disposal Facility.

2. The destruction process of laid mines continues under the responsibility of Ministry of National Defence.

Any other relevant information:

None.
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: Republic of Turkey


☐ 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:

Turkey, having deposited her instrument of ratification with the United Nations Secretary General, has become a State Party as of 02 March 2005 to the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons Convention, Protocol I, Amended Protocol II and Protocol IV. The Convention and the mentioned Protocols, including Amended Protocol II, have entered into force for Republic of Turkey on 02 September 2005.

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:

None.
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: Republic of Turkey

Reporting period: from 01.10.2011 to 31.12.2011

☐ additional information of measures taken on international technical information exchange, on international cooperation on mine cearance, 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: [ ]

☐ 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: [ ]

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

Technical information exchange, within the framework of bilateral relations, on mine clearance continues with countries such as Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Bosnia-Herzegovina. In addition, technical information exchange on mine destruction techniques continue with varios countries including members of NATO

International technical assistance:

Any other relevant information:

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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: Republic of Turkey

Reporting period: from 01.10.2011 to 31.12.2011

Additional relevant information:

☐ 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: [ ]

Other relevant matters:

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