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

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X  YES

☐  NO
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Form A: Dissemination of information: □ changed
X unchanged (last reporting: 2004)

Form B: Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes: □ changed
X unchanged (last reporting: 2004)

Form C: Technical requirements and relevant information: □ changed
X unchanged (last reporting: 2004)

Form D: Legislation: □ changed
X unchanged (last reporting: 2004)

Form E: International technical information exchange, co-operation on mine clearance, technical co-operation and assistance: □ changed
X unchanged (last reporting: 2009)

Form F: Other relevant matters: X changed (last reporting: 2009)
□ unchanged

Form G: Information to the UN-database on mine clearance: □ changed
X unchanged (last reporting: 2004)
Form F

Other relevant matters

Article 13/4/f

"The High Contracting parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary ... on:

(a) other relevant matters."

Remark:

High Contracting Party **ESTONIA** reporting for **25.08.2009** to **27.09.2010**

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 IEDD (Improvised Explosive Device Disposal) capability.

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