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**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 paragraph 4 and Article 11 paragraph 2

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CONTRACTING PARTY: Hungary

DATE OF SUBMISSION: 3/29/2013

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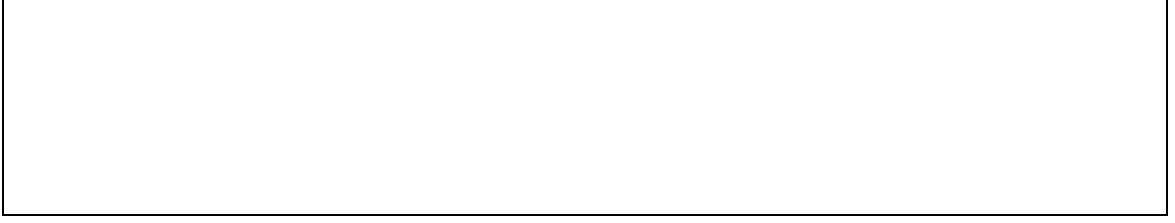
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Form A Dissemination of information

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:

High Contracting Party:

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INFORMATION TO THE ARMED FORCES:

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INFORMATION TO THE CIVILIAN POPULATION:

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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;”

Remark:

High Contracting Party:

Hungary

Reporting for time period

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31/12/2012

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MINE CLEARANCE PROGRAMMES:

In 2012 mine clearance was in progress in a newly discovered mine suspicious area along the Hungarian-Croatian borderline as indicated in last year's report of Hungary.

Location

Patches of land on the territory of Hungary, straddling the Hungarian-Croatian state border line, located from border sign no. D1 (Dráva river leaving the borderline near Keselyősfapuszta-dél (Keselyősfapuszta-South), belonging to municipality Matty) to border sign no. D417 (right bank of Duna river belonging to municipality Kölked). Suspected area contains a stripe of land of 1000 m width and 79683 m length along the borderline.

Circumstances of emplacement, area characteristics

In the course of military operations during the war in the former Yugoslavia, mostly in the period from 1991 to 1992 and from 1994 to 1995, extensive emplacements of anti-personnel and anti-tank landmines were performed on Yugoslavian (Croatian) territory, in the immediate vicinity of the above mentioned borderline. Emplaced mines may include inter alia types of PMR-2, PMR-2A and OMSZ-2. Due to possible inaccurate emplacements, as well as natural processes (i.e. terrain movements caused by waters), it cannot be excluded that mined areas may, to a minor extent, extend over Hungarian territory. Since no exact data and maps of the emplacements are available, the possible quantity of mines on Hungarian territory is extremely difficult to estimate, but is unlikely to exceed 100 pieces. Mines may eventually be located sporadically in a range from a few centimetres to a few meters from the state border line on the Hungarian side of the border.

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Risks to population

The possibly contaminated area is located out of populated places; it is grown over by thick vegetation. Human activities are practically limited to border control patrolling, civilian trespassing is rare. Nevertheless, a hundred of warning signs were placed in the area and inhabitants of 13 municipalities affected were duly informed about the risks of entering.

Measures taken

On 7 September 2011 Hungary and Croatia launched, with financial support of the European Union, a joint project called „Rehabilitation of land mine contaminated sites in the Drava-Danube area”. The project is part of the Hungary-Croatia European Union’s IPA (Instrument for the Pre-Accession Assistance) Cross-Border Co-operation Programme of 2007-2013, which aims to create a sustainable environment and develop tourism, as well as co-operative economic and intercommunity human resources between the two countries and provides technical assistance for that purpose.

In order to convert the area entirely safe and freely accessible for all and suitable for civilian purposes, Hungarian and Croatian authorities together took steps to ensure that those areas are totally clear of mines. To that end, a sum of 3.5 million euros was allocated to the Police of Baranya County (Hungary) and the Croatian Mine Action Centre (CROMAG, co-beneficiary of the project) to carry out the necessary works in the affected areas of both sides of the border. The project started in September 2011 and shall be implemented in a 24-month timeframe.

In 2012 the following tasks were conducted in the framework of the project:

1. Survey and marking of mine suspected areas (carried out by 31/8/2012)
 - Definition of the size and distribution of mine contaminated and mine suspected areas (including digital ortophoto);
 - Definition of the structure of mine suspected areas according to the methods of demining (categorization of areas on those for demining and areas for technical survey);
 - Definition of the structure of the mine suspected areas by structure of land;
 - Collection of all other necessary information in order to produce a well developed documentation.
2. Establishment of a Mine Information Database (MID)

The Hungarian Mine Information Database (MID) containing the data on mine suspected areas and their priority sequence for demining was created based on data derived from surveying.

3. Tendering for de-mining works

In the second half of 2012 an international tender was announced in order to find the most appropriate companies to undertake de-mining works. Contracted parties shall cooperate with the EOD Regiment of the Hungarian Army during the demining since, according to Hungarian legislation, it is the only entity to dispose of a humanitarian mine after finding it. Physical mine searching-demining operations may start as soon as the on-going

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international tender procedure will be finished (early 2013).

REHABILITATION PROGRAMMES:

Environmental rehabilitation of the target area

Demining activities under this project are performed in EU's ecologically protected NATURA 2000 areas on both Hungarian and Croatian borderland. The target territory - a hatching area of birds and habitat of protected animals and plants - is under increased natural protection. It is essential to preserve the propagated specimens of protected plants and marker specimens of protected animals. Alterations with possibly negative effects caused in the nature shall be assessed and handled, thus environmental assessment is elaborated, including authority provisions assigning the natural values (flora and fauna) to be protected.

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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;”

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TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

ANY OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION:

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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:

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**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;”

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INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE:

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON MINE CLEARANCE:

TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE:

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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.”

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OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS:

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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.”

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MEANS AND TECHNOLOGIES OF MINE CLEARANCE:

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LISTS OF EXPERTS AND EXPERT AGENCIES:

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NATIONAL POINTS OF CONTACT ON MINE CLEARANCE:

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