

**REPORTING FORMS  
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 10, PARAGRAPH 2 (b) OF THE PROTOCOL AND  
THE DECISION OF THE FIRST CONFERENCE OF THE HIGH  
CONTRACTING PARTIES TO PROTOCOL V**

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YES

NO

Partially, only the following forms:

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**NAME OF STATE PARTY:** Republic of Lithuania

**REPORTING PERIOD:** 01/01/2011 to 31/12/2011

<b>Form A:</b> Steps taken to implement Article 3 of the Protocol: Clearance, removal or destruction of ERW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> changed <input type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (     )] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
<b>Form B:</b> Steps taken to implement Article 4 of the Protocol: Recording, retaining and transmission of information	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2010)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
<b>Form C:</b> Steps taken to implement Article 5 of the Protocol: Other precautions for the protection of the civilian population, individual civilians and civilian objects from the risks and effects of ERW	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2009)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
<b>Form D:</b> Steps taken to implement Article 6 of the Protocol: Provisions for the protection of humanitarian missions and organizations from the effects of explosive remnants of war	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2009)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
<b>Form E:</b> Steps taken to implement Article 7 of the Protocol: Assistance with respect to existing explosive remnants of war	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> changed <input type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (     )] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
<b>Form F:</b> Steps taken to implement Article 8 of the Protocol: Co-operation and assistance	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2009)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
<b>Form G:</b> Steps taken to implement Article 9 of the Protocol: Generic preventive measures	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2009)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
<b>Form H:</b> Steps taken to implement Article 11 of the Protocol: Compliance	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2009)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
<b>Form I:</b> Other Relevant Matters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> changed <input type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (     )] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable

## **FORM A** Steps taken to implement Article 3 of the Protocol: Clearance, removal or destruction of explosive remnants of war

High Contracting Party: Republic of Lithuania

### Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 3

Note: According to Article 1, paragraph 4 of the Protocol, Article 3 only applies to Explosive Remnants of War (ERW) other than existing ERW as defined in Article 2, paragraph 5 of the Protocol. ERWs found in the territory of the Republic of Lithuania result from the First and the Second World Wars as well as pollution of former Soviet military bases, i.e. they existed before entry into force of the Protocol. Therefore all steps taken by the Republic of Lithuania with regard to clearance, removal or destruction of ERW should be regarded as a voluntary measure, which does not result from any obligation under the Protocol.

In 2007 the Programme for the Clearance and Prevention of Explosive Remnants of War and the Plan of Implementing Measures for the Programme for the years 2007-2018 was approved by the Government of the Republic of Lithuania. The Programme explains the origins and current scope of a problem and sets the objective to ensure that ERWs are found, their potential threat to people prevented and adverse effects to private and public activities minimised. The tasks for the attainment of this objective include: examination and evaluation of the threat, drafting and amending relevant legislation, carrying out of clearance and cooperation with international community. The Implementation Framework of this Programme was approved on 29 January 2008 by the Order of the Minister of National Defence.

Full text of the Programme and the Plan of Implementing measures is available on-line:

*In English*, [http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc\\_l?p\\_id=312266](http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc_l?p_id=312266);

*In Lithuanian*, [http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc\\_l?p\\_id=297014&p\\_query=&p\\_tr2=](http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc_l?p_id=297014&p_query=&p_tr2=).

Full text of the Implementation Framework is available on-line:

*In Lithuanian*, [http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc\\_l?p\\_id=314358&p\\_query=&p\\_tr2=](http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc_l?p_id=314358&p_query=&p_tr2=)

All special tasks (such as collection and analysis of information on polluted territories from historical sources and archives; creation of data base on ERW issues; creation of digital and ordinary maps of territories contaminated with ERW; drafting or amending of relevant legislation etc.) set out in the Programme in preparation for clearance activities were successfully implemented.

Marking and clearance activities started in summer 2008. Till the end of 2011 Lithuanian Armed Forces EOD platoon checked and cleaned over 70 ha of polluted territories and found over 10 500 pieces of different explosive ordnance (mortar, anti-vehicle and anti-personnel mines, shells, grenades, aviation bombs, ammunition etc.).

Lithuanian lead Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) in province of Ghor (Afghanistan) is part of the NATO International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) operation in Afghanistan. During the period of 2006-2011 Lithuanian AF EOD team in PRT destroyed over 24 900 pieces of different explosive ordnance.

**FORM E** Steps taken to implement Article 7 of the Protocol: Assistance with respect to existing explosive remnants of war

High Contracting Party: Republic of Lithuania

International assistance

Although Lithuania has emerged as a donor state only around 2004, a substantial part of our international assistance was channelled to projects related to international mine action, including activities related to reduction of harm caused by UXOs and ERWs.

Lithuanian contribution to international disarmament projects in 2011:

<b>Activity, funding and/or in-kind contributions</b>	<b>Implementing organisation or agency</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Contribution</b>
Explosive remnants of war clearance and medical rehabilitation support to Georgia project (Georgia III)	NATO / NAMSA	2011	28 689 EUR
De-mining and UXO clearance, province of Ghor, Afghanistan	Lithuanian led Provincial Reconstruction Team	2011	In-kind
Mine and UXO Clearance Project in Afghanistan	United Nations Mine Action Service	2011	3000 USD

## **FORM I** Other relevant matters

High Contracting Party: Republic of Lithuania

### Any other relevant information

#### **International efforts on ERWs and antipersonnel landmines**

At the 4<sup>th</sup> Review Conference of the High Contracting Parties to the CCW Convention held in Geneva from 14<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> of November 2011 Lithuania was appointed the Vice-President of the Conference and the Vice- Chairman of the Main Committee II.

At the 10th Member State Parties (MSP) meeting of the AP Mine Ban Convention on 29 November – 3 December 2010 Lithuania was appointed the Co-Chair of the Standing Committee for Stockpile Destruction until the next MSP in November 2011. Lithuania acted in this capacity in 2008 and was a co-rapporteur of this Committee in 2007 and 2010.

The main goals of the Lithuanian Co-Chair included:

1. encouraging states to meet their obligation under AP Mine Ban Convention in destroying stockpiles of anti-personnel mines as soon as possible;
2. encouraging these countries to report on their progress as often as possible;
3. standing ready to facilitate any informal consultations between these states and possible donors on issues of cooperation and assistance.