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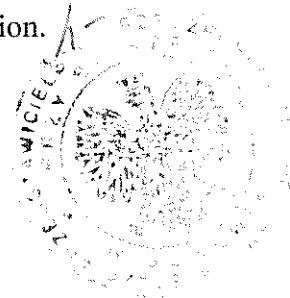
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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Poland to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office for Disarmament Affairs in Geneva and kindly submits: the Annual Report of CCW Compliance Mechanism, the Annual Report of CCW V Protocol, the Annual Report of CCW Amended Protocol II.

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

Geneva, 30 March 2016



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**SUMMARY COVER PAGE
OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF CCW PROTOCOL V ¹**

NAME OF STATE [PARTY]: POLAND

REPORTING PERIOD: 01.01.2015 **To** 31.12.2015
(dd/mm/yyyy) (dd/mm/yyyy)

Form A: Steps taken to implement Article 3 of the Protocol: Clearance, removal or destruction of ERW	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2012)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form 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: (2012)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form C: 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: (2012)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form D: 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: (2012)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form E: Steps taken to implement Article 7 and Article 8 of the Protocol: Assistance with respect to existing explosive remnants of war and cooperation and assistance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> changed <input type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: ()] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form E(a): Steps taken by States which have ERW victims to implement the relevant provisions of Article 8(2): Victim Assistance	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2012)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form F: Steps taken to implement Article 9 of the Protocol: Generic preventive measures	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2012)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form G: Steps taken to implement Article 11 of the Protocol: Compliance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> changed <input type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: ()] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form H: Other Relevant Matters	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2012)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable

¹ Pursuant to the relevant decision of the First Conference of the High Contracting Parties to CCW Protocol V, this cover page could be used as a **complement** to submitting the detailed reporting forms adopted at the First Conference of the High Contracting Parties to CCW Protocol V in case there is no substantial change in the ERW situation, as a result of a conflict or of the measures undertaken in compliance with the provisions of Protocol V, and when the information to be provided in some of the forms in an annual report is the same as it would be in past reports.

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**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**

(As adopted by the First Conference at its second plenary meeting on 5 November 2007)

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This information can be available to other interested parties and relevant organizations

YES

NO

Partially, only the following forms:

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**FORM E: Steps taken to implement Article 7 and Article 8 of the Protocol:
Assistance with respect to existing explosive remnants of war and cooperation and
assistance**

High Contracting Party: Poland

Reporting for time period from: 01/01/2015 to 31/12/2015
[dd/mm/yyyy] [dd/mm/yyyy]

Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 7 and Article 8:

In 2015 the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs supported the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS) in amount of USD 35 000. The contribution to the Voluntary Trust Fund for Assistance in Mine Action was earmarked for UNMAS activities in Gaza. Due to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict lasting from July to August 2014 UNMAS has prepared a three-phase post-conflict reconstruction plan: Gaza Emergency Response. Implementation of the plan will be completed in 2016.

At the reporting period Poland contributed to alleviation of humanitarian problems caused by landmines, unexploded ordnance (UXO) and other explosive remnants of war. Specifically, the Polish Engineering Forces personnel being engaged in stabilizing missions in Afghanistan, Kosovo and Bosnia, executed tasks for the benefit of local populations - additionally to their mandatory tasks. These activities among others included: removal and destruction of mines, UXO and other explosive remnants of war (in cases of emergency), as well as providing warning and risk education to local communities.

At the reporting period 6 Polish deminers were directly involved in demining and clearing activities in missions abroad. They were not be directly engaged to activities related to the mine clearance.

During 2015 the Polish Engineering Forces personnel have organized 7 trainings specifically directed to local population about the mine threat. Additionally, Military and Police Advisory Teams permanently conducted awareness training to local population on the ERW threat.

Any other relevant information:

FORM G: Steps taken to implement Article 11 of the Protocol: Compliance

High Contracting Party: Poland

Reporting for time period from: 01/01/2015 to 31/12/2015
[dd/mm/yyyy] [dd/mm/yyyy]

Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 11:

All soldiers of the Polish Armed Forces are instructed and trained in the International Humanitarian Law of Armed Conflict including the rules set by the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons and its annexed Protocols. The relevant information is disseminated to them in the framework of:

- military and postgraduate studies and qualification courses dedicated for candidates for professional officers, officers, military commanders and legal advisors organized by Military Universities, Academies and Officer's Schools;
- training, special and qualification courses for officers, non-commissioned officers, privates and civilian personnel realized in training centers of all armed services;
- the routine process of improving professional qualifications of military personnel conducted by superiors and legal advisors in all military units;
- military exercises which require taking into account specific rules of the International Humanitarian Law norms and regulations;

Training in international law of armed conflicts and protection of cultural heritage is an important element of the preparation process of personnel for the peacekeeping and stabilization missions. All mission members are obliged to attend such training before deployment.

Any other relevant information: