**CONVENTION ON PROHIBITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WHICH MAY BE DEEMED TO BE EXCESSIVELY INJURIOUS OR HAVE INDISCRIMINATE EFFECTS (CCW)**

**PROTOCOL ON EXPLOSIVE REMNANTS OF WAR**

**(PROTOCOL V)**

**SUMMARY COVER PAGE**

**OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF CCW PROTOCOL V ¹**

NAME OF STATE [PARTY]: SWITZERLAND

REPORTING PERIOD: 01.01.2007 to 31.12.2007

| Form | Steps taken to implement Article | □ changed  
   | of the Protocol: | □ unchanged (last reporting: yyyy)  
   |                | X non applicable |
|------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| A    | Steps taken to implement Article 3 of the Protocol: Clearance, removal or destruction of ERW | □ changed  
   |                 | □ unchanged (last reporting: yyyy)  
   |                 | X non applicable |
| B    | Steps taken to implement Article 4 of the Protocol: Recording, retaining and transmission of information | □ changed  
   |                 | □ unchanged (last reporting: yyyy)  
   |                 | X non applicable |
| 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  | □ changed  
   |                 | □ unchanged (last reporting: yyyy)  
   |                 | X non applicable |
| 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 | □ changed  
   |                 | □ unchanged (last reporting: yyyy)  
   |                 | X non applicable |
| E    | Steps taken to implement Article 7 of the Protocol: Assistance with respect to existing explosive remnants of war | □ changed  
   |                 | □ unchanged (last reporting: yyyy)  
   |                 | X non applicable |
| F    | Steps taken to implement Article 8 of the Protocol: Co-operation and assistance | □ changed  
   |                 | □ unchanged (last reporting: yyyy)  
   |                 | X non applicable |
| G    | Steps taken to implement Article 9 of the Protocol: Generic preventive measures | □ changed  
   |                 | □ unchanged (last reporting: yyyy)  
   |                 | X non applicable |
| H    | Steps taken to implement Article 11 of the Protocol: Compliance | □ changed  
   |                 | □ unchanged (last reporting: yyyy)  
   |                 | X non applicable |
| I    | Other Relevant Matters | □ changed  
   |                 | □ unchanged (last reporting: yyyy)  
   |                 | X 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.
REPORTING FORMS

Pursuant to Article 10 (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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X YES

□ NO

□ Partially, only the following forms:

A □ B □ C □ D □ E □ F □ G □ H □ I □
FORM A  Steps taken to implement Article 3 of the Protocol: Clearance, removal or destruction of explosive remnants of war

High Contracting Party: SWITZERLAND

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 3

N/A
Switzerland is not an ERW affected country.

Any other relevant information

N/A
FORM B  Steps taken to implement Article 4 of the Protocol: Recording, retaining and transmission of information

High Contracting Party: SWITZERLAND

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 4 and the Technical Annex

N/A
Switzerland is not an ERW affected country.

Any other relevant information

N/A
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 explosive remnants of war

High Contracting Party: SWITZERLAND

Reporting for time period from 01.01.2007 to 31.12.2007

Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 5 and the Technical Annex

N/A
Switzerland is not an ERW affected country.

Any other relevant information

N/A
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

High Contracting Party: SWITZERLAND

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 6

N/A
Switzerland is not an ERW affected country.

Any other relevant information

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

High Contracting Party: SWITZERLAND

Reporting for time period from 01.01.2007 to 31.12.2007

Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 7

N/A

Any other relevant information

N/A
FORM F  Steps taken to implement Article 8 of the Protocol: Co-operation and assistance

High Contracting Party: SWITZERLAND

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 8

In line with its Mine Action Strategy for the period 2008 - 2011, Switzerland maintains its commitment to keep a level of expenditure of about 16 millions Swiss francs per year for assistance in mine action. These efforts in mine action include the problem of ERW. Both in 2006 and 2007 about 12 millions have been spent for mine clearance in 12 countries and 1 million for mine risk education programmes. Swiss cooperation has been carried out by the humanitarian aid sector of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, by the Peace Policy and Human Security Division of the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs and by the Swiss Federal Department of Defence through the assignment of specialised personnel and delivery of equipment for mine clearance (EOD system). The Swiss contribution includes the funding of the Geneva Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD) with a total amount of about 8 million Swiss francs per year.

Switzerland dedicates about 12 million Swiss francs per year to mine clearance programmes in some of Africa's, Asia's and Europe's most affected countries. The Department of Defence budgeted 2 million Swiss francs for the assignment of personnel and up to 2 million Swiss francs for equipment to mine and UXO clearance programmes carried out by UN agencies or International Non Governmental Organisations.

Switzerland will work towards improving existing synergies between the assistance provided by the Department of Defence and by the Department of Foreign Affairs.

Any other relevant information

N/A
FORM G  Steps taken to implement Article 9 of the Protocol: Generic preventive measures

High Contracting Party: SWITZERLAND

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 9 and the Technical Annex

N/A

Any other relevant information

N/A
FORM H  Steps taken to implement Article 11 of the Protocol: Compliance

High Contracting Party: SWITZERLAND

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 11

N/A

Any other relevant information

N/A
FORM I  Other relevant matters

High Contracting Party: SWITZERLAND

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Any other relevant information

N/A