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

| NAME OF THE HIGH CONTRACTING PARTY | The Republic of Lithuania |
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Other relevant matters

Article 13 / 4 / f

“The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary
... on:

(f) other relevant matters.

Remark:

High Contracting Party
Republic of Lithuania
reporting for time period from 01/01/2016 to 31/12/2016

National efforts to reduce ERW contamination

As Lithuania is a mine free country no specific mine clearance programmes are required. However, there is a certain degree of contamination by explosive remnants of war (ERW) resulted from the First and the Second World Wars as well as pollution of former Soviet military bases.

In 2007 the Programme for the Clearance and Prevention of Explosive Remnants of War for the years 2007-2020 was approved by the Government of the Republic of Lithuania. The primary objective of the Programme is to ensure that ERWs are found, their potential threat to people prevented and adverse effects to private and public activities minimised. The Programme deals with the widest possible range of ERWs, including anti-personnel mines, anti-vehicles mines and cluster munitions.

In 2013 the Programme was amended assigning more functions to the Fire and Rescue Department under the Ministry of Interior.

Lithuania started marking and ERW clearance activities in summer 2008. Engineer Battalion of the Armed Forces is tasked to clear and destroy the explosives.

In 2016 was checked and cleaned about 15 ha of polluted territories and found 2 630 pieces of different explosive ordnance. From 2008 till the end of 2016 Lithuanian Armed Forces EOD company checked and cleaned over 794 ha of polluted territories and found over 17 500 pieces of different explosive ordnance (anti-vehicle and anti-personnel mines, mortar, shells, grenades, cluster munitions, aviation bombs, ammunition etc.).