



**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA**

**ARTICLE 7 REPORT  
TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS  
ON THE CONVENTION ON CLUSTER MUNITIONS**

**April 2013**

## Convention on Cluster Munitions

### Reporting formats for article 7 of the Convention on Cluster Munitions

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NOTE: This data should be provided on a VOLUNTARY basis for compliance and implementation and covered by the formal reporting requirements contained in article 7.

\* In accordance with art. 7, para. 1, subpara. (I).

## Form A National implementation measures

### Article 7, paragraph 1

"Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

(a) The national implementation measures referred to in article 9;"

*Remark:* In accordance with article 9 "Each State Party shall take all appropriate legal, administrative and other measures to implement this Convention, including the imposition of penal sanctions, to prevent and suppress any activity prohibited to a State Party under this Convention undertaken by persons or on territory under its jurisdiction or control."

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<i>Legal, administrative and other measures taken to implement the CCM (including imposition of penal sanctions)</i>	<i>Supplementary information (e.g., text and effective date of implementation measures, including legislation, administrative measures, policies and directives, training of military forces)</i>
There is no specific legislation on the implementation of the CMC in Albania because the Government of Albania considers as sufficient the existing legislation.	

**Form B Stockpiles and destruction of cluster munitions**

**Part I: Stockpiled cluster munitions**

**Article 7, paragraph 1**

"Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

- (b) The total of all cluster munitions, including explosive submunitions, referred to in paragraph 1 of article 3 of this Convention, to include a breakdown of their type, quantity and, if possible, lot numbers of each type;
- [...]
- (g) Stockpiles of cluster munitions, including explosive submunitions, discovered after reported completion of the programme referred to in subparagraph (e) of this paragraph, and plans for their destruction in accordance with article 3 of this Convention;"

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1. The total of all cluster munitions and explosive submunitions, stockpiled under the jurisdiction and control of the State Party

The following table does not include munitions retained for the purpose of training and expertise (in accordance with art. 3, para. 6) reported in form C.

Cluster munition type	Quantity	Lot number (if possible)	Explosive submunition type	Total quantity of explosive submunitions	Lot number (if possible)	Supplementary information
						Albania has never stockpiled cluster munitions
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>			

2. Additional stockpiles discovered after reported completion of the programme for destruction

<i>Cluster munition type</i>	<i>Quantity discovered</i>	<i>Lot number (if possible)</i>	<i>Explosive submunition type</i>	<i>Total quantity of explosive submunitions</i>	<i>Lot number (if possible)</i>	<i>Plans for destruction</i>	<i>Where, when and how discovered</i>	<i>Supplementary information</i>
N/A								
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>					

3. Status and progress ... in separating all CM under its jurisdiction and control from other munitions retained for operational use and marking them for the purpose of destruction (ref. art. 3, para. 1)

<i>Cluster munition type</i>	<i>Quantity separated and marked for destruction</i>	<i>Lot numbers (if possible)</i>	<i>Explosive submunition type</i>	<i>Total quantity separated and marked for destruction</i>	<i>Lot numbers (if possible)</i>	<i>Supplementary information</i>
N/A						
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>			

2. Destruction of cluster munitions, including explosive submunitions, completed BEFORE the entry into force for the State Party (ONLY for initial reports)

Cluster munition type	Quantity destroyed	Lot number (if possible)	Explosive submunition type	Quantity destroyed	Lot numbers (if possible)	Date of completion	Location of destruction sites	Supplementary information
N/A								
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>					

3. Types and quantities of cluster munitions, including explosive submunitions, destroyed in accordance with article 3

(a) After entry into force

Cluster munition type	Quantity destroyed	Lot number (if possible)	Explosive submunition type	Quantity destroyed*	Lot number (if possible)	Date of completion	Location of destruction sites	Supplementary information
N/A								
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>					

(b) Additional stockpiles destroyed after reported completion of the programme for destruction

Cluster munition type	Quantity destroyed	Lot number (if possible)	Explosive submunition type	Quantity destroyed*	Lot number (if possible)	Plans for destruction	Progress in destruction* Date of completion
N/A							
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>				

\* INCLUDING explosive submunitions which are not contained in a cluster munition.

## 4. Methods of destruction used

<i>Cluster munition type</i>	<i>Details of the methods of destruction used</i>
N/A	

<i>Explosive submission type</i>	<i>Details of the methods of destruction used</i>
N/A	

## 5. Applicable safety and environmental standards observed in destruction

N/A
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## 6. Challenges and international assistance and cooperation needed for the implementation of article 3

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Time period</i>	<i>Need</i>
N/A			

## Form C Cluster munitions retained or transferred

### Article 3, paragraph 8

"States Parties retaining, acquiring or transferring cluster munitions or explosive submunitions for the purposes described in paragraphs 6 and 7 of this article shall submit a detailed report on the planned and actual use of these cluster munitions and explosive submunitions and their type, quantity and lot numbers. If cluster munitions or explosive submunitions are transferred to another State Party for these purposes, the report shall include reference to the receiving party. Such a report shall be prepared for each year during which a State Party retained, acquired or transferred cluster munitions or explosive submunitions and shall be submitted to the Secretary-General of the United Nations (...)."

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#### 1. Type of cluster munitions or explosive submunitions RETAINED in accordance with article 3, paragraph 6

Cluster munition type	Quantity	Lot number	Explosive submunition type	Quantity	Lot number	Planned use	Supplementary information
N/A							
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>				

#### 2. Type of cluster munitions or explosive submunitions ACQUIRED in accordance with article 3, paragraph 6

Cluster munition type	Quantity	Lot number	Explosive submunition type	Quantity	Lot number	Planned use	Supplementary information
N/A							
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>				



3. Retained/acquired cluster munitions or explosive submunitions used during reporting period in accordance with article 3, paragraph 6

<i>Cluster munition type</i>	<i>Quantity used</i>	<i>Lot number</i>	<i>Explosive submunition type</i>	<i>Quantity used</i>	<i>Lot number</i>	<i>Description of cluster use</i>	<i>Supplementary information (e.g. origin)</i>
N/A							
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>				

4. Type of cluster munitions or explosive submunitions transferred in accordance with article 3, paragraph 7

<i>Cluster munition type</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Lot number</i>	<i>Explosive submunition type</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Lot number</i>	<i>Purpose of transfer</i>	<i>Receiving State Party</i>	<i>Supplementary information (e.g. steps taken to ensure destruction in receiving State)</i>
N/A								
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>					

## Form D Technical characteristics of each type produced/owned or possessed

### Article 7, paragraph 1

"Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... as:

- (c) The technical characteristics of each type of cluster munition produced by that State Party prior to entry into force of this Convention for it, to the extent known, and those currently owned or possessed by it, giving, where reasonably possible, such categories of information as may facilitate identification and clearance of cluster munitions; at a minimum, this information shall include the dimensions, fusing, explosive content, metallic content, colour photographs and other information that may facilitate the clearance of cluster munition remnants;"

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Cluster munition type*	Dimensions of cluster munition	Cluster munition explosive content (type and weight)	Explosive submunition type and number*	Dimensions of explosive submunition	Submunition fusing	Submunition explosive content (type and weight)	Submunition metallic content (type and weight)	Other information that may facilitate clearance
N/A								

\* Please attach data sheets including colour photographs.

**Form E Status and progress of programmes for conversion or decommissioning of production facilities**

Article 7, paragraph 1

"Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

- (d) The status and progress of programmes for the conversion or decommissioning of production facilities for cluster munitions;"

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<i>Name and location of production facility</i>	<i>Indicate if to "conversion" or "decommission"</i>	<i>Status (indicate if "in process" or "completed") and progress of the programme</i>	<i>Supplementary information (e.g. plans and timetable for completion)</i>
N/A			

## Form F Contaminated areas and clearance

### Article 7, paragraph 1

"Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

- (b) To the extent possible, the size and location of all cluster munition contaminated areas under its jurisdiction or control, to include as much detail as possible regarding the type and quantity of each type of cluster munition remnant in each such area and when they were used;
- (i) The status and progress of programmes for the clearance and destruction of all types and quantities of cluster munition remnants cleared and destroyed in accordance with article 4 of this Convention, to include the size and location of the cluster munition contaminated area cleared and a breakdown to the quantity of each type of cluster munition remnant cleared and destroyed;"

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#### 1. Size and location of cluster munition contaminated area<sup>a</sup>

Location**	Size of contaminated area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Cluster munition remnants		Estimated or known date of contamination	Method used to estimate suspected area	Supplementary information
		Type	Estimated quantity			
N/A						Albania completed clearance of all known cluster munitions contaminated areas in its territory by November 2009. For most recent information please refer to the Initial Report.
<b>Total</b>		<b>Total</b>				

\* If necessary, a separate table for each area may be provided.

\*\* Location can be defined by listing the province/district/village where contaminated areas are located as well as (where possible) map references and grid coordinates sufficient to define the contaminated area.

**2. Land release**

Provide information on the release of land previously suspected to contain cluster munition remnants by methods other than clearance.

<i>Location</i> *	<i>Size of area (m<sup>2</sup>)</i>	<i>Date of release</i>	<i>Method of release (technical or non-technical survey)</i>
N/A			

**3. Status and progress of programmes for the clearance of cluster munitions remnants**

<i>Location</i> **	<i>Size of cleared area (m<sup>2</sup>)</i>	<i>Status of clearing programme (if possible, including plans, time table and completion date)</i>	<i>Cluster munition remnant cleared</i>		<i>Clearance method</i>	<i>Standards applied</i>	
			<i>Type</i>	<i>Quantity</i>		<i>Safety standards</i>	<i>Environmental standards</i>
<b>Total</b>			<b>Total</b>				

\* If necessary, a separate table for each area may be provided.

\*\* Location can be defined by listing the geographical coordinates of the contaminated area as well as (where possible) map references and grid coordinates sufficient to define the contaminated area. Where possible, refer to the corresponding contaminated area described in Form 7, table 1].

**Supplementary information**

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4. Status and progress of programme(s) for the destruction of cluster munition remnants<sup>\*,\*\*</sup>

	Status of destruction programme if possible, including plans, time table and completion date	Cluster munition remnants		Destruction method	Standards applied	
		Quantity	Location		Safety standards	Environmental standards
N/A						
		Total				

\* If necessary, a separate table for each area may be provided.

\*\* This table is only for use for those cluster munitions remnants that were not destroyed during a clearance programme (for example cluster munition remnants cleared and subsequently destroyed elsewhere or abandoned cluster munitions).

Supplementary information

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5. Challenges and international assistance and cooperation needed for the implementation of article 4

Activity	Description	Time period	Need
N/A			

## Form G Measures to provide warning to the population and risk education

### Article 7, paragraph 1

"Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

- (1) The measures taken to provide risk reduction education and, in particular, an immediate and effective warning to civilians living in cluster munition contaminated areas under its jurisdiction or control;

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N/A
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### 2. Measures taken for effective warning of the population

N/A
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## Form H Victim assistance: status and progress of implementation of the obligations under article 5

Article 7, paragraph 1

"Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

- (h) The status and progress of implementation of its obligations under article 5 of this Convention to adequately provide age- and gender-sensitive assistance, including medical care, rehabilitation and psychological support, as well as provide for social and economic inclusion of cluster munition victims and to collect reliable relevant data with respect to cluster munition victims;"

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National focal point/coordination mechanism for the implementation of article 5 (specify name and contact information of government body responsible)

Albania from November 2012 is a state party to the CRPD, thus strengthening and improvement of the inter-ministerial /inter-sectorial coordination is expected in line with the article 33 of the CRPD. A draft law is being discussed within the Inter-ministerial Working Group and with civil society organisations including Disabled People's Organisations and People with Disabilities.

**National Focal Point:**

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2. Data collection and assessment of the needs of cluster munitions victims (please indicate gender and age of survivors as well as information on affected families and communities)

Data of all injured people by cluster munitions in Albania is disaggregated by age and gender and shared with relevant actors involved in victim assistance at all levels. There are no changes from the Albania's Cluster Munitions Initial Report.

**3. Development and implementation of national laws and policies for implementation of article 5**

There are no specific laws for casualties as a result of accidents with cluster munitions in Albania.

Albania is in process of a full revision of the existing laws and public policies to bring the existing law in line with CRPD requirements. The changes/amendments to the existing laws will be inclusive of all persons with disabilities regardless the cause of injuries.

**4. National plan and budget, including timeframes to carry out these activities**

Albania has a National Strategy for the Persons with Disability (NSPD) (2004-2014). The strategy is a legal document approved by the Council of the Ministers, which defines the objectives to be achieved in the period 2004-2014 and the respective responsibilities and tasks of the Albanian government to attain those objectives. The NSPD and the associated action plan outline the measures for improving the living conditions of the people with disabilities in the field of education, employment, support services and access. The national action plan specifies 95 measures to be undertaken as well as the respective deadlines, responsible institutions and funding sources. The specified sources of financing are the state and local government budget, non-profit organizations and donors.

In harmony with the national plans on the disability issues, Albania has developed a national plan to support the mine/UXO victim assistance activities. The national plan is in line with the Albania's obligations to several Disarmament conventions such as: Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Treaty, CCW, CCM and the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. The implementation of the national Plan for mine/UXO victims' assistance is contributing to enhancement of: emergency and continuing medical care, physical rehabilitation, psychological and social support, socio-economic reintegration and data collection.

Note: If necessary, plans/budgets may be provided separately.

**5. Efforts to closely consult with and actively involve cluster munitions victims and their representative organisations in victim assistance planning and implementation**

Cluster munitions victims are progressively involved in the planning, implementation and monitoring of the victim assistance activities in the country.

**6. Assistance services (including medical care, physical rehabilitation, psychological support, and social and economic inclusion)**

Type of service (medical care, physical rehabilitation, psychological support, social and economic inclusion)	Implementing agency	Description of service (progress, types of services, number of persons assisted, time period)
<b>Medical Care;</b> - There are three hospitals in the previously cluster munitions affected region: the Regional Hospital in Kukës town, the district hospital in Krume (Has) district and the district hospital in Bajram	- Regional hospitals - Health Care Centres	- Medical screening and regular check up for mine/cluster munitions survivors are done regularly in Albania.

Curri. The hospitals in Bajram Curri and Kukës have surgical capabilities. The first stop for cluster munitions survivors immediately following an accident was the village medical centre where first aid was provided and then transported to the hospital that was closest in proximity to the location of their accident. The victims in need of surgery were transported to Kukës hospital, where surgical capabilities are the most advanced in the region. For difficult cases requiring surgery and intensive care, patients were transported to the National Trauma Center at the Military Hospital in Tirana, usually by helicopter.

- Many cluster munitions survivors require ongoing medical assistance, which they generally receive from the nurses working in the village health centres or the district hospital closest in proximity to their residence.

- There are 235 beds at Kukës Regional hospital, including 33 for surgical department/patients, as well as one operating theatre. There are 26 doctors and 90 nurses working at the hospital, composing together 18 different specialities/departments including 2 surgeons, 1 Anesthesiologists, and 3 physiotherapists (one medical doctor and two nurses)

- State medical staff is available in previously cluster munitions affected villages, providing for emergency and ongoing medical needs to cluster munitions survivors.

- Trauma surgery is only available at Kukës Regional Hospital, or the National Trauma Centre in Tirana.

- Corrective surgery is only available in Tirana at the Mother Theresa Hospital. This is sufficient for the time being considering the needs of the population.

#### Physical rehabilitation

- There is a Physiotherapy unit with specialized staff at Kukës regional Hospital and at the district hospital in Tropoja. Training is provided by Government and the NGOs. A full set of physiotherapy equipments was delivered to Kukës Hospital with funding from France and EC.

- The physiotherapy section of the Military Hospital was reconstructed and re-equipped in 2005 and treats 40 patients per

- UNDP  
- ITF  
- AMMCO  
- University  
- Rehabilitation  
- Institute Sieronia  
- ALP-AID

- A sustainable Physiotherapy Educational program based on European standards is being implemented by the Nursing Faculty of Tirana.

- 25 students graduated in 2012 and other 20 students are registered for the academic year 2012-2013.

- Technical support in building the prosthetic capacities is provided to the two technicians of the

week.

A Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation (PMR-Phase I & II & III) project started in May 2006 with Handicap International and funded by US DoS, to develop a sustainable national response to the PMR needs of mine victims and other people in need. The components of this programme include:

- (1) Training is ongoing for 6 prostheses/orthotic technicians from Kukes, Pogradec and Tirana,
- (2) It is established a programme for training physiotherapists at the Faculty of Nursing in Tirana.
- (3) Physical rehabilitation in Kukes, the Prostheses workshop established in 2005 and the physiotherapy unit, is fully operational within the Hospital structure.

#### Social and economic inclusion

Several projects were implemented through the mine action programme aiming to support mine victims and their families through their socio-economic reintegration, vocational training and a revolving loan fund. The home-based economies are in animal husbandry, since agriculture and livestock breeding are the main economical activities of the Kukes region. These projects were mainly implemented by the local NGO ALB-AID under AMMCO monitoring.

to date 17 cluster munitions victims and their families have been assisted in establishing home based economies in animal husbandry with revolving loans and technical assistance. The project was funded by US DoState through the International Trust Fund.

#### Prosthetic Workshop in Kukes Regional Hospital.

- The Ministry of Health in close cooperation with the University Rehabilitation Institute of Slovenia organized in Kukes Regional Hospital a 4 days theoretical and practical training workshop in September 2012 on "Rehabilitation of people following amputation and provision with rehabilitation aids". Target group for this training were 12 participants: surgeons, orthopedists, nurses, physiotherapists and prosthetic/orthotic technicians from several hospital departments in Albania. Funding for this training was made possible from the Slovenian Government.

- The rehabilitation unit is fully functional, providing services for amputees including cluster munitions survivors and other persons with disabilities.

- 25 new prostheses were produced in Kukes and at least 70 major repairs were performed during 2012 for the survivors and other amputees in need.

- More than 500 patients benefited from the services provided by this PMR unit (including physiotherapy and P&O services);

- Local authorities in Kukes, Has and Tropoja Districts.

- ITF
- AMMCO
- Vocational Training Centres
- ALB - AID

- In the area of the economic and social inclusion, during 2012 a new computer and literacy training program, for 20 mine/ERW survivors, persons with disabilities and their family members was implemented in the former mine affected areas by the local organization ALB-AID. This project was supported by the Vodafone Albania Foundation and is expected to be completed in June 2013.

9 cluster munitions survivors and their family members from Kukës, Has and Tropoja completed vocational training courses with funding provided through the Mine Action Programme.

#### 7. Steps taken to mobilize national and international resources

The Government of Albania has provided medical assistance to the injured people since the outset of the programme. When necessary, the hospital authorities have allocated funding to improve the physical conditions and provide for more space at Kukës regional hospital for the rehabilitation unit (physiotherapy and the prosthetic workshop).

Albania participated in international meetings related to the Convention on Cluster Munitions where has clearly stated that it needs still support to further address the needs of cluster munitions survivors and other persons with Disabilities. Albania has already identified the financial gaps and needs in order to fulfill obligations under the CCM and the CRPD conventions.

#### 8. Needs for international assistance and cooperation

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Time period</i>	<i>Need</i>

#### 9. Efforts undertaken to raise awareness of the rights of cluster munitions victims and persons with other disabilities

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# Form I National resources and international cooperation and assistance

## Article 7, paragraph 1

"Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

- (m) The amount of national resources, including financial, material or in kind, allocated to the implementation of articles 3, 4 and 5 of this Convention; and
- (n) The amounts, types and destinations of international cooperation and assistance provided under article 6 of this Convention.

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[Narrative:] Not applicable

### National resources allocated

Activity	Sector (stockpile destruction, clearance, risk education, victim assistance, advocacy)	Amount of national resources (list currency)	Type of resources (e.g. financial, material, in kind)
Victim Assistance		100,000 USD annually	Financial support to victim assistance

### 2. International cooperation and assistance provided

Destination	Sector (stockpile destruction, clearance, risk education, victim assistance, advocacy)	Amount (list currency)	Type of cooperation or assistance (financial, material or in kind)	Details (intermediary destinations such as trust funds, project details, timeframes)

## 3. International cooperation and assistance needed

## (a) For the implementation of article 3: Stockpile destruction

Activity	Description	Time period	Need
N/A			

## (b) For the implementation of article 4: Clearance and risk education

Activity	Description	Time period	Need
No resources needed for clearance.			

## (c) For the implementation of article 5: Victim assistance

Activity	Description	Time period	Need
Victim Assistance	-Identifying the social- economic needs of marginalized victim and survivors in Albania in remaining 7 regions	2013	58,000 USD
	- Human Right protection and promotion of Rights for Mine/Cluster Munitions Survivors	2013-2014	47,600 USD

**4. Assistance provided by State Parties to another State for cluster munitions used/abandoned prior to entry into force, as outlined in article 4 paragraph 4**

State Parties that have used or abandoned cluster munitions which have become cluster munition remnants located in areas under jurisdiction or under control of another State Party are **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED** to provide assistance to the latter State Party to facilitate the marking, clearance and destruction of such cluster munition remnants.

(such assistance shall include, where available, information on types and quantities of cluster munitions used, precise locations of cluster munitions strikes and areas in which cluster munition remnants are known to be located)



**Form J Other relevant matters**

**Remark:** States Parties may use this form to report voluntarily on other relevant matters, including matters pertaining to compliance and implementation not covered by the normal reporting requirements contained in article 7.

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Narrative / reference to other reports

Note: Form J can be used to report, on a voluntary basis, on the efforts to encourage States not parties to join the Convention on Cluster Munitions, and to notify such States of Convention obligations as outlined in article 21.

*Nothing to report*

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