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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**

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

YES

NO

Partially, only the following forms:

A  B  C  D  E  F  G  H  I

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

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 3:

The Portuguese territory is not affected by explosive remnants of war (ERW). However, during the reporting period Portugal has participated in different international missions where there is a strong possibility of occurring ERW. In case ERW are found, Portugal will participate in the marking, clearing, removal and destruction of all abandoned explosive ordnance and other ERW.

Any other relevant information:

NIL

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

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

If for some reason related to the armed conflict, some unexploded explosive ordnance or ERW are left behind, the Portuguese Forces will dedicate special attention to record and retain information on its use. Detailed information will be kept in order to facilitate the marking and the removal and destruction of the ERW. This information will be provided to the authorities in control of the territory including the local authorities and the civilian population.

Any other relevant information:

NIL

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**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 explosive remnants of war

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

All the activities developed by the Portuguese Forces concerning ERW will focus on the protection of the civilian population. This starts with the appropriate marking and warnings and may include other activities such as briefings to civilians, fencing and, in some situations, evacuations.

Any other relevant information:

NIL

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**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

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 6:

The Portuguese Armed Forces actively provides for the protection of humanitarian missions and organizations in the same terms as mentioned in Form C.

Any other relevant information:

NIL

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

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 7:

N/A

Any other relevant information:

N/A

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

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 8:

Currently there are no co-operation and assistance programs in place.

Any other relevant information:

NIL

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**FORM G:** Steps taken to implement Article 9 of the Protocol: Generic preventive measures

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

Safety measures and good practices implemented during peacetime life-cycle management of munitions create the baseline for the prevention of ERW during conflict.

1. Munitions manufacturing

- Portugal has no military explosive and munitions production capability.

2. Munitions management

Storage

- The storage of military explosive ordnance in Portugal is regulated by the NATO publication AASTP-1 "Manual of NATO safety principles for the storage of military ammunition and explosives" and by all the publications, STANAG's and other documents referred in this manual.

Transport

- The transportation of ammunition is regulated by the following documents:
  - o AASTP-2, "Manual of NATO safety principles for the transport of military ammunition and explosives";
  - o Land Transportation: National Law: "Regulamento Nacional do Transporte de Mercadorias Perigosas por Estrada - RPE". This law is the Portuguese version of the ADR/RDI;
  - o Air Transportation: ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR;
  - o Transportation by sea: IMDG/GGVsea.

3. Training

- All personnel involved in the handling, transporting and use of explosive ordnance have to be technically qualified.
- EOD personnel require special training.
- The reliability of explosive ordnance is taken into account in the procurement phase.

**Any other relevant information:**

NIL

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

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 11:

The Portuguese Armed Forces receive the appropriate training related to the main dispositions of Protocol V. This training is provided during the Basic Military Training. Additional training is provided to the forces in the pre-deployment phase.

Any other relevant information:

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**FORM I:** Other relevant matters

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Any other relevant information:

The deposit of the instrument of ratification with the Secretary-General of the United Nations occurred on 22 February 2008. Protocol V entered into force for Portugal on 22 August 2008.