

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

NAME OF STATE [PARTY]: CZECH REPUBLIC

REPORTING PERIOD: 01/04/2014 to 31/03/2015
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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: (2010)] <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: (2010)] <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: (2008)] <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: (2008)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form E: Steps taken to implement Article 7 of the Protocol: Assistance with respect to existing explosive remnants of war	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2011)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form F: Steps taken to implement Article 8 of the Protocol: Co-operation and assistance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> changed <input type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: ()] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form G: Steps taken to implement Article 9 of the Protocol: Generic preventive measures	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2009)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form H: Steps taken to implement Article 11 of the Protocol: Compliance	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2009)] <input type="checkbox"/> non applicable
Form I: Other Relevant Matters	<input type="checkbox"/> changed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unchanged [last reporting year: (2008)] <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:

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:

Some explosive remnants of war (ERW) from World War I and World War II can occur in the whole territory of the Czech Republic. They are disposed by the trained government police specialists. As for the application of the "explosive ordnance" of the Czech Armed Forces, the ERW can be caused during the training of the Czech Armed Forces units only. Each training using live ammunition is under record and has a specific rules. Only tested ammunition by the Ammunition Testing Centre (part of the Central Ammunition Base) can be used for the training of units of the Czech Army.

In case of eventual fail of live ammunition the disposal of ammunition is carried out by EOD specialists/pyrotechnics and in specific cases (rockets, aerial bombs, artillery ammunitions, etc.) is supervised by military EOD committee or by the specialists from the Ammunition Testing Centre. After each finishing of disposal an inspection of place of disposal is performed. Overall cleaning of the training areas especially the firing ranges is performed by the specialists.

The live firing is supervised by a target area observer collecting and than providing the available informations (according to the real situation) to the commander controlling the exercise and to EOD specialists/pyrotechnics.

According to this informations they search and dispose the unexploded ammunitions. The rest of unused ammunition is returned to the ammunition base.

According to the real situation each piece of ammunition during the live-firing exercise should be under control, so each of them is recorded to the special form.

One of the safety precautions introduced by the Czech Armed Forces in the field of ERW relates to handover of former military installations for its future civilian use. Before handover these installations are carefully searched with a specific attention to a potential existence of ammunitions and/or ecological disturbance.

Any other relevant information:

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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:

The records connected with using the "explosive ordnance", which could potentially become ERW, are being kept by means of logistician records. These records are periodically handed over to the central evidence of the Czech Armed Forces (the Logistics Agency) through the logistic authorities. The database is an internal document of the logistic authorities of the Czech Army.

Technical Information Support Department (OTIP) operates as a national EOD centre for sending and retaining all the reports related to overall EOD activities (not only such as incidents, findings or disposals but also training related activities). OTIP is located at 15th Engineer Brigade.

OTIP is also registered as technical-information centre of file of experts and experts agencies (Protocol II CCW, form G) and it is a partner for cooperation with the State Police specialists.

OTIP has begun to use the EOD information system based on Swedish information system EOD (EOD IS), which is established approximately in 16 NATO nations and PfP countries. Credible and accurate information about the ammunition are the most important for EOD operations and by the means of EOD IS system it can be collected, shared and distributed or exchanged to EOD staff worldwide.

The database exists in electronic form and serves for assesment. In addition, as a tool for improvement level of training of EOD experts.

Police experts of the Czech Republic secure a potential ERW appearance in civil areas.

Any other relevant information:

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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:

The Criminal Code of the Czech Republic Act No. 40/2009 Coll., contains paragraph No. 280 "Development, production and possession of prohibited means of combat". According to this provision it is a crime to develop, produce, import, export, store or accumulate weapons or means of combat prohibited by law or international treaty or to dispose of these weapons or means of combat in any other way. This provision further determines possible punishment for such a crime.

Any other relevant information:

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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:

Nothing to report

Any other relevant information:

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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

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

The Czech Republic in given period provided financial contribution to:

- 1) Bosnia and Herzegovina through International Trust Fund for Demining and Mine Victims Assistance (ITF) – 14.145 EUR. Part of the contribution is used to continue a project „The voice of mine victims in Bosnia and Herzegovina“. The second part was earmarked to cover costs of demining activities in Brdjani-Remicke municipality;
- 2) Anti-Personnel Landmines Convention Secretariat (ISU) – 4.343 CHF on the implementation and universalisation activities of the convention;
- 3) Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan through NATO Explosive Ordnance Disposal project - TF JORDAN III - Woman's Training CoE in ERW - 84.000 EUR;
- 4) Georgia through NATO for Explosive Ordnance Disposal project TF GEORGIA IV – 45.400 EUR;
- 5) Serbia through NATO TF Serbia IV – 20.000 EUR on development of the Serbia demilitarisation facility – TRZ Kragujevac;

Since the Czech Republic does not differentiate between various explosive remnants of war (mines, cluster munitions, ERW, EOD) in terms of assistance, above given information on assistance is also included in CCW P-II, APLC and CCM reporting forms provided by the Czech Republic.

(Information about above given contributions have been also included in Amended Protocol II and V, CCW, APLC and CCM annual report)

Any other relevant information:

FORM E(a): Steps taken by States which have ERW victims to implement the relevant provisions of Article 8(2): Victim Assistance

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Steps taken to implement the relevant provisions of Article 8(2):

Czech Republic have had no victims of explosive remnants of war.

Other relevant information, guided by the Plan of Action on Victim Assistance:

Nothing to report

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FORM F: 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:

General preventive measures with respect to the minimalisation of ERW are contained in Czech national laws and regulations issued by government authorities. Generally, these measures aim to control production processes, munitions management, training of personnel and transfer. These laws and regulations are compatible with the relevant EU directives.

Government authorities cooperate and complement each other in this sphere. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Ministry of the Interior and the Ministry of Defence are most closely involved in such cooperation.

National laws and regulations are published in Collection of Laws which is publicly available at Ministry of Interior official web site: www.mvcr.cz. Legal Acts and regulations forming legal basis for national control system can also be found on the websites of the relevant competent ministries.

The applicable laws and regulations are the following:

- o Act No. 119/2002 Coll., on Firearms and Ammunition, as amended;
- o Act No. 156/2000 Coll., on Verification of Firearms, Ammunition and Pyrotechnic Devices and on Handling with some Pyrotechnic products, as amended;
- o Act No. 61/1988 Coll., on Mining Activity and Explosives and on State Mining Administration, as amended;
- o Act No. 219/1999 Coll., on Armed Forces of the Czech Republic, as amended.

These acts are further accompanied by its implementing regulations.

Any other relevant information:

Based on our experience, Partial Pyrotechnic Sanitation (PPS) can be characterised as a process of search, detection and destruction of ammunition and elements of ammunition in the target and endangered areas of the former fire ranges, and remains of ammunition left or dumped in ammunition dumps, buildings or open terrain. An unexploded ordnance (UXO) from Austria-Hungarian period, from the Czechoslovakian period, from the period of the German occupation during the World War II, and UXO of the Soviet Army, which was based there till 1989, could be found there.

Mine clearance programmes: The Partial Pyrotechnic Sanitation in the former military zones has been already finished in March 2004.

Explosive ordnance disposal operations: Within the Czech Republic explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) operations on finding of explosive remnants of war ERW are done by Explosive Ordnance Disposal specialists of Czech Republic Police and Military Police.* EOD specialists of Czech

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Republic Police and Military Police have established an extensive cooperation.

National laws of the Czech Republic regulate EOD service of the Police of the Czech Republic. EOD service of Military Police is regulated by Act. No. 124/1992 Coll, Act on Military Police, as amended, and additional internal standards. EOD service of Military Police is fulfilling the tasks of police protection of the armed forces and of state property administrated or maintained by the Ministry of Defence. EOD specialists of Military Police are also operating with military contingents of the Armed Forces of the Czech Republic that are deployed abroad where they cooperate with engineer units.

* Chief of the Military Police is directly subordinate to the Ministry of Defence.

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

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 11:

The Convention and its Protocols I-IV have been promulgated by the Act No. 21/1999 Coll of Int.Tr. It has been published in the official journal of valid international treaties binding for the Czech Republic ("Collection of International Treaties"). Amended article I together with Protocol V were promulgated under Act. No. 115/2006 Coll of Int.Tr.
The "Collection of International Treaties" is available to the public on official web site of the Ministry of Interior: www.mvcr.cz.

In addition to promulgation of the CCW Convention and its annexed Protocols in "Collection of International Treaties" these documents are also available to personnel of the Armed Forces of the Czech Republic on the internal communication net of the Armed Forces of the Czech Republic (ŠIS) where they are included in the documentary database of treaties of the International Law Department and furthermore on specific intranet page dedicated to Law of Armed Conflict.

Any other relevant information:

Nothing to report

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FORM H: Other relevant matters

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