

AMENDED PROTOCOL II

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: SWEDEN

DATE OF SUBMISSION: 30/03/2015

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

YES

NO

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Reporting for time period

from: **01/01/2014**

dd/mm/yyyy

to: **31/12/2014**

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Form A: Dissemination of information:

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(last reporting year: 2009)

Form B: Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes:

changed

unchanged

(last reporting year: 2009)

Form C: Technical requirements and relevant information:

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(last reporting year: 2009)

Form D: Legislation:

changed

unchanged

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Form E: International technical information exchange, co-operation on mine clearance, technical co-operation and assistance:

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(last reporting year:)

Form F: Other relevant matters:

changed

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Form G: Information to the UN-database on mine clearance:

changed

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(last reporting year: 2012)

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Form E **International technical information exchange, cooperation on mine clearance, technical cooperation and assistance**

Article 13,
paragraph 4 (e)

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

(e) measures taken on international technical information exchange, on
international cooperation on mine clearance, and on technical cooperation
and assistance;”

Remark:

High Contracting Party:

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INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE:

The Swedish Armed Forces (SAF) are involved in the work on standardizing mine action conducted by NATO through Partnership for Peace.

At the Nordic level, there are networks between the Defence Research Establishments. The Swedish EOD and Demining Centre (SWEDEC) is a Swedish Centre of Excellence for mine clearance and explosive ordnance disposal, as well as humanitarian demining within the SAF. SWEDEC is responsible for active participation in international efforts and information exchange.

The Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB) and SAF through SWEDEC are actively supporting GICHD both directly and indirectly in many activities. A good example of such support is the test and evaluation activity at SWEDEC of demining machines using the CEN Workshop Agreement no. 15044 now being a worldwide accepted standard for such equipment.

MSB is a Stand-by partner to the UN and ICRC and conducts humanitarian operations, including humanitarian mine action, worldwide.

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INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ON MINE CLEARANCE:

During the period covered by this report (2014), Sweden contributed at least SEK 53 155 000 to mine action. Most of this was channelled through the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida). For details, see the attached Table 1.

The Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB) is operational in the field of mine action in support of primarily UNMAS and the ICRC. MSB has an EOD rapid response capacity, as well as expertise in fields such as Mechanical Clearance, Quality Assurance (QA), Mine Detection Dogs (MDD) and IMSMA. In the reporting period, Mine Action activities have been carried out by the MSB, through UNMAS, in CAR. This action was financed already in 2013. Sweden has also supported EOD activities in Gaza through seconded expertise from MSB to ICRC.

During the period covered by this report, MSB has conducted technical training and exercises within Mine Action.

In 1997, Sweden established SWEDEC.

SWEDEC is the country's focal point on technical matters, development, education and training.

Today SWEDEC is focused on education and training of individual officers and military units on Conventional Munitions Disposal (CMD) and Improvised Explosive Device Disposal (IEDD) as well as related research and development.

Sweden is lead nation in the user group for EOD IS where SWEDEC offers an important contribution.

TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE:

Sweden is actively involved in the EU 7th Framework program on research and development of a mine clearance toolbox, which includes mechanical mine clearance, vegetation clearance equipment and development of a gender balanced Land Release concept.

When the International Test and Evaluation Program for humanitarian demining was established between 2000-2010 through the signing of the ITEP MoU the SAF through SWEDEC actively supported the humanitarian demining community by developing and establishing methods for test and evaluation of demining equipment. SWEDEC has continued to support through test and evaluation of different technologies when requested by the UN and/or GICHD. Some examples lately are:

- Upon a request from GICHD and UNDP SWEDEC sent an expert on demining machines to Iraq in order to train their engineers on how to test and evaluate demining machines.
- Support to GICHD in planning for tests of large loop UXO detectors in Laos.
- Test support in Croatia upon request from GICHD and UNDP of an electromagnet mounted on a demining machine order to reduce the number of metal fragments in an area before using metal detectors for searching and clearing AP-mines.
- Test and evaluation of the Digger D-250 demining machine.

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Table 1: Swedish Development cooperation in Mine action¹ (including cluster munitions/ERW) disbursed budget year 2014

Contributions by recipient and sector

Sector	Recipient Country	Recipient Organisation/ Institution	Amount in donor currency	Donor Government Agency/ Department
COUNTRY Based Allocation				
Mine Action	Iraq	Mine Advisory Group, MAG	8,8 MSEK	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)
Mine Action	Iraq	Danish Demining Group, DDG	4,5 MSEK	Sida
Mine Clearance/Awareness raising and Advocacy	Afghanistan	Danish Demining Group, DDG	15 MSEK	Sida
Victim Assistance	Afghanistan	Swedish Committee for Afghanistan	10 MSEK	Sida
Mine Action (excl. Clearance)	Colombia	UNICEF	2 MSEK	Sida
Mine Action (excl. Clearance)	Colombia	International Committee of the Red Cross, ICRC	2 MSEK	Sida
Capacity building	Sudan/South Sudan	Intergovernmental Authority on Development, IGAD	50 000 SEK	Sida
REGIONALLY Based Allocation				
Capacity building/ Capacity maintaining/ General support	Regional Africa	African Union, AU/ African Union Liaison Offices, AULOs	100 000 SEK	Sida
Capacity building/ General support	Regional Africa	Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre, KAIPTC	50 000 SEK	Sida

¹ The definition of Mine Action used includes the following elements: i) Mine awareness (measures to make people aware of and to inform people of the risks of mines and unexploded ammunition) ii) Demining (survey, mapping, marking, clearance) iii) Victim assistance (support to victims of mines, including rehabilitation and reintegration), iv) Advocacy (efforts to exert an influence in respect of limitation on the use of landmines and the total prohibition of anti-personal mines), v) Stockpile destruction (destruction of mines in stock). If "Mine Action" is indicated it implies a contribution integrating all the elements in the definition stated. If specific elements in the definition are indicated it implies that x contribution focuses on the indicated elements.

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Capacity building/ General support	Regional Africa	African Union, AU	100 000 SEK	Sida
GLOBAL program allocation				
Awareness/Mine Risk education	Global	UNICEF	4,8 MSEK	Sida
Awareness/Mine Risk education	Global	Geneva Call	2 MSEK	Sida
Demining/ Awareness/ Advocacy	Global	Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining, GIHCD	2 MSEK	Sida
Awareness/Education Unexploded Ordnance, UXO	Gaza	United Nations Development Programme, UNDP	240 000 SEK	Sida
HUMANITARIAN aid support				
Explosive Ordnance Disposal, EOD, Expertise (secondment)	Gaza city	Swedish Contingencies Agency, MSB	370 000 SEK	Sida
Explosive Ordnance Disposal, EOD, Expertise (secondment)	Gaza/Palestine	Swedish Contingencies Agency, MSB	495 000 SEK	Sida
OTHER support				
Awareness/ Advocacy	Misc.	APLC Implementation Support Unit	650 000 SEK	MFA
TOTAL			53 155 000 SEK	