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**INTERVENTION BY THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA
ON MINE CLEARANCE – ANNEX**

Project “Decontamination of war-affected areas” (DEMINE HU-HR II)

The said project was listed as a strategic project in the INTERREG V-A Cross-border program Hungary-Croatia 2014-2020. The leading partner was the Croatian Mine Action Centre (CROMAC) with two partners from the Hungarian side – Baranya County Police Headquarters and Danube-Drava National Park. Within the total budget that amounts to 3.5 million €, for the activities conducted by the Croatian side 1.78 million € was allocated.

During the implementation period, which began on 1 June 2016 and ended with a closing conference on May 25, 2018, 1.5 km² of the Drava River flooding belt and the Danube River flooding belt in the border area with Hungary were demined through the activities of the CROMAC. In cooperation with the Croatian State Geodetic Agency, the project also enabled restoration of the stone markings and trigonometric points alongside border, thus securing the conditions for drafting the new border documents of the state border between Croatia and Hungary.

The successful and cooperative manner in which this joint project was conducted together with the size of capacities that were engaged in its implementation (almost 180 deminers, 14 demining machines and 29 mine detection dogs) emphasizes the importance of this project for people, economy and protection of environment on both sides of the border.