

Yemen Response to AP Mines use in Yemen during 2011

Yemen is very worried as MBT state party about recent allegations on use of AP mines in Bani Garmooz, north of Sanaa. This information was sent in a letter by ICBL to relevant ministries and YEMAC. We have also received another allegation in 2012 of AP use during 2011 in ministry of Industry during 2011 conflict which Yemen Mine Action Center(YEMAC) investigated, cleared and supported the victim(a 10 year old boy). Regarding this recent allegation related to use of AP in Bani Garmooz, we have contacted the relevant government bodies and Yemen Mission in Geneva. It was agreed that an official investigation will be conducted on the use of AP mines in the mentioned area, by whom and the guilty will be punished. YEMAC will implement a level one survey to locate the mines and clear them to stop any further casualties.

Finally we emphasize that Yemen is a state party of MBT and confirm its full commitment to the Convention articles and implementation of the obligations.