PROGRESS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE 5 OF THE OTTAWA CONVENTION

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1. AP mines laid by Uzbek authorities along Uzbek-Tajik border (960 km) (1999 - 2000)
3. AP mines /UXOs/Cluster bombs laid in the Central Region during the civil war (1992-1997)

### Status of work to be conducted

**Assumptions for 2012 in accordance with Work Plan of Extension Request**

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Tajikistan
**Status of work conducted**

**Progress made in 2012**

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**Area prepared by Mechanical Demining Machines - 1,200,000 m²**

**Tajik-Uzbek border**

**Non-technical survey preliminary results**

**Task**
1. Analysis of the 2011 NTS data (4 most affected districts)
2. Quality check of the landmines casualties information
3. Comparing the analysis based on the new border delimitation information
4. Identify the locations of landmines accidents
   - TMAC
   - FSD survey team
   - State Committee on Land and Geodesy
   - Border Forces
   - Committee of Emergency Situation
   - Local authorities

**Preliminary results**
- 63 accident locations with involvement of 140 casualties
- All of the accident locations belong to Uzbek side of the border, except one
- No evidences that accidents occurred in Tajik side of the border, except one

Since the Tajik-Uzbek border area issues are politically sensitive, the final decision should be made by senior management staff and officially agreed and accepted by the GoT.
Available capacity in 2013

More than 250 deminers including team leaders, supervisors etc.
- 15 Multipurpose Teams
- 6 MDD Teams (12 dogs)
- 3 Mechanical demining teams (2 MV-4 and 1 Mini MineWolf)

Detail:
- 1 FSD Survey Team
- 5 FSD Multipurpose Teams
- 6 FSD MDD Teams (12 dogs)
- 2 FSD mechanical demining teams with 2 MV-4 machines
- 1 MoD mechanical demining team with 1 Mini MineWolf machine
- 2 MoD Multipurpose Teams
- 8 NPA Multipurpose Teams

Remaining contaminated land as of May 2013

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Operational plans for 2013-2014

- Conduct joint (IP and TMAC) Non-technical survey in all challenged areas to better define perimeters and land release methodologies
- Release not less than 1,500,000 m² of the contaminated land
- Create a clear prioritization system and prepare an updated work plan to address all remaining contaminated areas (Art. 5 Completion Plan)
- Review and update all chapters of NMAS, development of new required chapters of NMAS
- Development of TMAC SOP and process maps for the need of TMAP
- Establish a centralized training area and facilities for TMAP

Conclusion

- From 2003 - to date 10.5 km² released by demining efforts (manual, MDD and support by machines)
- Remaining task approx. 7.2 km² - but most of this will really have to be demined and cannot be canceled through NTS
- Time frame to clear 4.5 km² by end of 2015, possibly up to 6 km²
- Clearance until 1 April 2020 doable (Extension deadline)
Thank you for your attention