Intervention of H.E. Sam Sotha, Royal Government of Cambodia

Mine Action Authority

on Victim Assistance, 28 January 2002

Thank you Mr. Co-chair for the opportunity to report to the meeting. With regard to the services provided to mine victims, the Cambodian Government is greatly involved to ensure the services provided to the victims are well coordinated and the rights of the victims are respected.

My office, and the Ministry of Social Affairs, Labour, Vocational Training, represented here by H.E. Mrs. Prak Chantha, are working together with the legal council of the Office of the Council of Ministers to look at the drafting of the bill to protect the rights of people with disabilities, including landmine victims. This draft is now completed and will be sent back to the Ministry for subsequent submission to the Council of Ministers for approval. It will then be sent to the National Assembly for consideration, debate and adoption.

Thank you.