

Non-paper by the chairs of Standing Committee GSO

As noted in Article 12, paragraph 2(d) of the MBT, at a review conference the States Parties may "adopt, if necessary, in its final report conclusions related to the implementation of [the] Convention." What follows are suggested conclusions pertaining to some particular areas of implementation, which will be the subject of discussion in the Standing Cttee on GSO this week. They might subsequently be transferred to the President-Designate to be taken into account in preparing for the Review Conference.

Conclusions

We reaffirm our commitment to effectively implement the provisions of the Convention with a view to fully achieving its goals, and conclude:

- that States Parties engaging in military operations with other states or groups of states should not:
 - participate in planning for use of anti-personnel mines;
 - train others to use anti-personnel mines;
 - participate in operations wherein direct military benefit is known to be derived from the use of anti-personnel mines in the area of those operations;
 - implement rules of engagement permitting the use of anti-personnel mines;
 - request others to use anti-personnel mines;
 - provide protection, maintenance or transport for identified storage or use of anti-personnel mines;
- that States Parties should not consent to the transit of anti-personnel mines over territory under their jurisdiction or control;
- that mines fitted with breakwires, tripwires and tiltrods should not be used, and further that mines fitted with pressure fuses should not be used in circumstances where detonation by the presence, proximity or contact of a person is likely;
- that if a State Party chooses to retain a number of anti-personnel mines for the development of and training in mine detection, mine clearance, or mine destruction techniques, it should be the minimum number absolutely necessary and be numbered in the hundreds or thousands, or less, and not in the tens of thousands;
- that States choosing to retain anti-personnel mines for the development of and training in mine detection, mine clearance, or mine destruction techniques should report voluntarily under Article 7 on the intended purposes of retaining such mines, and the actual uses of those mines.

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