



Stockpile Destruction - How to get started

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Commitments under MBT

- ❑ **Article 4.....destroy, or ensure the destruction of all stockpiled anti-personnel mines it owns or possesses not later than four years after the entry into force**
- ❑ **OK, but HOW?**



Two Comments

- ❑ **Stockpile Destruction is a large amount of administration and logistics followed by a small amount of destruction.**
- ❑ **Four years is not a long time.**



Basic steps towards an SD programme - Step 1

- ❑ **Find out what national AP stocks are.**
- ❑ **Check this information by visual inspection.**
- ❑ **Get a copy of IMAS 11.30 - National Planning Guides for SD**
- ❑ **Decide where destruction can take place.**
- ❑ **Check site for environmental problems.**
- ❑ **Create a project.**
- ❑ **Ask for expert assistance.**



Basic steps towards an SD programme - step 2

- ❑ Arrange for armed services or contractor to move and guard mines**
- ❑ Arrange for armed services or contractor to unpack and sort mines for destruction**
- ❑ Create national Standing Operational Procedures (SOPs) for destruction**
- ❑ Prepare destruction plan**
- ❑ Prepare accountancy measures**
- ❑ Warn area around destruction site**



Basic steps towards an SD programme - step 3

- ❑ **Get professional assistance to organise destruction procedures**
- ❑ **Unpack and stack mines for demolition or burning**
- ❑ **Carry out destruction of mines and packaging**
- ❑ **Witness destruction, using NGOs, media**
- ❑ **Get expert to check for complete destruction**
- ❑ **Complete accountancy, and report (Article 7)**



Technical tips 1 - make sure the detonation wave goes downwards





Technical tips 2 - try to contain the detonation





Technical tips 3 - do not play with that which you do not understand





Any Questions?





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