QUESTIONNAIRE FOR STATES PARTIES IN THE PROCESS OF FULFILLING OBLIGATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 4 OF THE CONVENTION

Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee Stockpile Destruction (Japan and the United Republic of Tanzania)

BACKGROUND:

The Nairobi Action Plan, adopted at the Convention’s First Review Conference in 2004, states that the States Parties yet to complete their anti-personnel stockpile destruction programmes will:

- **Action #9:** Establish the type, quantity and, if possible, lot numbers of all stockpiled anti-personnel mines owned or possessed, and report this information as required by Article 7.

- **Action #10:** Establish appropriate national and local capacities to meet their Article 4 obligations.

- **Action #11:** Strive to complete their destruction programmes if possible in advance of their four-year deadlines.

- **Action #12:** Make their problems, plans progress and priorities for assistance known in a timely manner to States Parties and relevant organisations and disclose their own contributions to their programmes in situations where financial, technical or other assistance is required to meet stockpile destruction obligations.

To help assess the status of the application of this portion of the Nairobi Action Plan, the Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction invite those States Parties in the process of fulfilling Article 4 obligations to make presentations at the 11-12 May meeting of the Standing Committee on the basis of the following questions.

QUESTIONS:

1. What steps has your State taken to establish the type, quantity, and, if possible, lot numbers of all stockpiled anti-personnel mines owned or possessed?

2. What appropriate national and local capacities have been established to meet your Article 4 stockpile destruction obligations?

3. What is the status of your State’s stockpile destruction programme? (How many mines have been destroyed and remain to be destroyed? What is your time table for the destruction of these mines?)

4. What, if any, difficulties do you face in the destruction of your stockpiled anti-personnel mines? If relevant, what are your priorities for external financial, technical or other assistance?