

GUINEA-BISSAU

Thanks Mr. President,

Mr. President, my delegation wants to speak in this agenda item just to make some clarification about a small amount of stockpiles AP mines recently founded in Guinea-Bissau's military facilities during the join assessment mission conducted by our Government and UNMAS to identify the quantity of our storage ammunitions.

In according to this assessment report these mines were founded in Quebo and Gabu military bases. And regarding to the last information I received were founded 7 PMN AP mines and two original boxes of POMZ-2.

As you may aware Guinea-Bissau was declared in according to Art.3.1 of APBT no intension to retain any AP mine for training propose.

For this reason, I would like to reaffirm here our full commitment with Ottawa Convention.

We decided to destroy all of these founded AP mines as soon as possible, and not later than 31st March 2012.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thanks in advance to UNMAS for his intension on helping us in destroying all our ammunitions stockpiles next year.

Thanks for your attention.

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