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Excellency,

Further to your note of March 10 in relation to the report required under Article 7 of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction, we have to apologize for our failure to meet
the deadline of April 30, 2003.

We however take this opportunity, though belated, to advise as follows:

The Barbados Defence Force has not used, stockpiled, produced or transferred anti-personnel landmines in the past year. Neither has the Force participated in any mine clearance or disposal missions or tasks.

Please accept our regrets over the late communication of this information, and accept, Excellency, the assurance of our highest consideration.

June Clarke
Ambassador/Permanent Representative