CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE USE, STOCKPILING, PRODUCTION AND TRANSFER OF ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION

Reporting under Article 7

STATE PARTY: The Republic of Lithuania

DATE OF SUBMISSION

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Form D APMs retained or transferred

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

d) The types, quantities and, if possible, lot numbers of all anti-personnel mines retained or transferred for the development of and training in mine detection, mine clearance or mine destruction techniques, or transferred for the purpose of destruction, as well as the institutions authorized by a State Party to retain or transfer anti-personnel mines, in accordance with Article 3"

State Party: The Republic of Lithuania reporting for time period from 1 JAN 2017 to 31 DEC 2017

1. Retained for development of and training in (Article 3, para.1)

Institution authorized by State Party	Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information (Country of origin)	
Lithuanian Armed Forces				A small amount of MON – 100 fitted with command – controlled fuses for training purposes.	
TOTAL					

2. Transferred for development of and training in (Article 3, para.1)

Institution authorized by State Party	Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information: e.g. transferred from, transferred to
NONE				
TOTAL				

3. Transferred for the purpose of destruction (Article 3, para.2)

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Institution authorized by State Party	Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information: e.g. transferred from, transferred to		
NONE						
TOTAL						

Form J Other relevant matters

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National efforts to reduce ERW contamination:

As Lithuania is a mine free country no specific mine clearance programmes are required. However, there is a certain degree of contamination by explosive remnants of war (ERW) resulted from the First and the Second World Wars as well as pollution of former Soviet military bases.

In 2007 the Programme for the Clearance and Prevention of Explosive Remnants of War for the years 2007-2020 was approved by the Government of the Republic of Lithuania. The primary objective of the Programme is to ensure that ERWs are found, their potential threat to people prevented and adverse effects to private and public activities minimised. The Programme deals with the widest possible range of ERWs, including anti-personnel mines, anti-vehicles mines and cluster munitions.

In 2013 the Programme was amended assigning more functions to the Fire and Rescue Department under the Ministry of Interior.

Lithuania started marking and ERW clearance activities in summer 2008. Engineer Battalion of the Armed Forces is tasked to clear and destroy the explosives.

In 2017 was checked and cleaned about 30 ha of polluted territories and found 2 147 pieces of different explosive ordnance. From 2008 till the end of 2017 Lithuanian Armed Forces EOD company checked and cleaned over 824 ha of polluted territories and found over 19 600 pieces of different explosive ordnance (anti-vehicle and anti-personnel mines, mortar, shells, grenades, cluster munitions, aviation bombs, ammunition etc.).

International cooperation and assistance:

Lithuanian Navy took part in multinational disposal of maritime explosive remnants of war operation OPEN SPIRIT in the Baltic Sea. Lithuania was represented by three ships and the Explosive Ordnance Disposal Diving Unit.

1 Lithuanian military engineering officer participated in the UN mission MINUSMA in Mali.

Lithuanian contribution to international disarmament projects (including demining) in 2017:

Activity, funding and/or in-kind contributions	Implementing organisation or agency	Date	Contribution
EU Trust Fund for Colombia	European Commission	2017	12 000 Eur