



**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA TO THE UNITED NATIONS**

**NOTE NO.01/20**

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Botswana to the United Nations presents its compliments to the United Nations Office of Disarmament Affairs and has the honour to submit Botswana`s 2019 transparency report; ***Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and their destruction.***

The Government of Botswana declares that in November 2019 it destroyed all anti-personnel mines that were kept for training purposes, and therefore no longer keeps anti-personnel mines. Attached is the reporting format for Article 7 on the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and their destruction.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Botswana to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Office of Disarmament Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

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

**Reporting Formats for Article 7**

**STATE [PARTY]:**

**BOTSWANA GOVERNMENT**

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(ONLY FOR THE PURPOSES OF CLARIFICATION)

**Form A National implementation measures**

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:  
a) The national implementation measures referred to in Article 9."

*Remark:* In accordance with Article 9, "Each State Party shall take all appropriate legal, administrative and other measures, including the imposition of penal sanctions, to prevent and suppress any activity prohibited to a State Party under this Convention undertaken by persons or on territory under its jurisdiction or control".

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Measures:	NIL	Supplementary information (e.g., effective date of implementation & text of legislation attached).

**Form B Stockpiled anti-personnel mines**

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

b) The total of all stockpiled anti-personnel mines owned or possessed by it, or under its jurisdiction or control, to include a breakdown of the type, quantity and, if possible, lot numbers of each type of anti-personnel mine stockpiled."

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1. Total of stockpiled anti-personnel mines

Type	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information
Non	N/A	N/A	N/A
Non	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	N/A		

2. Previously unknown stockpiles of anti-personnel mines discovered after the deadlines have passed. (Action #15 of Nairobi Action Plan) \*

Type	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information
None	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL			

\* Pursuant to the decision of the 8MSP, as contained in paragraph 29 of the Final Report of the Meeting, document APLC/MSP.8/2007/6.

**Form C Location of mined areas**

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

c) To the extent possible, the location of all mined areas that contain, or are suspected to contain, anti-personnel mines under its jurisdiction or control, to include as much detail as possible regarding the type and quantity of each type of anti-personnel mine in each mined area and when they were emplaced."

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1. Areas that contain mines\*

Location	Type	Quantity	Date of emplacement	Supplementary information
N/A				
<b>There are no known areas that contain mines in Botswana</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

2. Areas suspected to contain mines\*

Location	Type	Quantity	Date of emplacement	Supplementary information
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

\* If necessary, a separate table for each mined area may be provided

**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"

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**1a. Compulsory: Retained for development of and training in (Article 3, para.1)**

Institution authorized by State Party	Type	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information
<b>BOTSWANA DEFENCE FORCE</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>TOTAL</b>	-----			

**1b. Voluntary information (Action #54 of Nairobi Action Plan)**

Objectives	Activity / Project	Supplementary information
<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>	N/A	(Description of programs or activities, their objectives and progress, types of mines, time period if and when appropriate...)
N/A	N/A	"Information on the plans requiring the retention of mines for the development of and training in mine detection, mine clearance, or mine destruction techniques and report on the actual use of retained mines and the results of such use"

NOTE: Each State Party should provide information on plans and future activities if and when appropriate and reserves the right to modify it at any time

**Form D (continued)**

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

Institution authorized by State Party	Type	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information: e.g. transferred from, transferred to
Botswana has not transferred any APMs of any kind to any Institution or Nations for the purpose of training	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	-----			

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

Institution authorized by State Party	Type	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information: e.g. transferred from, transferred to
Botswana has not transferred any APMs of any kind to any Institutions or Nations for the purpose of destruction	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	-----			

**Form E Status of programs for conversion or de-commissioning of APM production facilities**

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:  
 e) The status of programs for the conversion or de-commissioning of anti-personnel mine production facilities."

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Indicate if to "convert" or "decommission"	Status (indicate if "in process" or "completed")	Supplementary information
Botswana does not have APMs production facilities, thus this is not applicable	N/A	N/A



**Form F Status of programs for destruction of APMs**

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

f) The status of programs for the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with Articles 4 and 5, including details of the methods which will be used in destruction, the location of all destruction sites and the applicable safety and environmental standards to be observed."

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1. Status of programs for destruction of stockpiled APMs (Article 4)	
Description of the status of programs including:	Details of:
Location of destruction sites: <b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>	Methods
<b>Botswana does not have a program for destruction because there are no APMs.</b>	Applicable safety standards
<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>	Applicable environmental standards
<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>	

2. Status of programs for destruction of APMs in mined areas (Article 5)	
Description of the status of programs including: <b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>	Details of:
Location of destruction sites: <b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>	Methods
<b>Botswana does not have mined areas, thus this is not applicable</b>	Applicable safety standards
<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>	Applicable environmental standards
<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>	

**Form G APMs destroyed after entry into force**

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

g) The types and quantities of all anti-personnel mines destroyed after the entry into force of this Convention for that State Party, to include a breakdown of the quantity of each type of anti-personnel mine destroyed, in accordance with Articles 4 and 5, respectively, along with, if possible, the lot numbers of each type anti-personnel mine in the case of destruction in accordance with Article 4"

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1. Destruction of stockpiled APMs (Article 4)

Type	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information
Blast	425	JJD002	M43, Circular, Plastic, Housing incendiary material
Fragmentation	677	84-S-53B	VS 50, Cylindrical, metallic, containing shrapnel
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1102</b>		

2. Destruction of APMs in mined areas (Article 5)

Type	Quantity	Supplementary information
<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>There are no known mined areas in Botswana</b>
<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>N/A</b>	

**Form G (continued)**

3. Previously unknown stockpiles of anti-personnel mines discovered and destroyed after the deadlines have passed. (Action #15 of Nairobi Action Plan)\*

Type	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information
N/A	N/A	N/A	Botswana has not discovered any unknown stockpiles of APMs after the deadline passed, thus this is not applicable
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>N/A</b>		

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**Form I Measures to provide warning to the population**

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:  
i) The measures taken to provide an immediate and effective warning to the population in relation to all areas identified under paragraph 2 of Article 5."

*Remark:* In accordance with Article 5, para.2: "Each State Party shall make every effort to identify all areas under its jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines are known or suspected to be emplaced and shall ensure as soon as possible that all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under its jurisdiction or control are perimeter-marked, monitored and protected by fencing or other means, to ensure the effective exclusion of civilians, until all anti-personnel mines contained therein have been destroyed. The marking shall at least be to the standards set out in the Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices, as amended on 3 May 1996, annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects".

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[Narrative:]

**Form J**

**Other relevant matters**

Remark: States Parties may use this form to report voluntarily on other relevant matters, including matters pertaining to compliance and implementation not covered by the formal reporting requirements contained in Article 7. States Parties are encouraged to use this form to report on activities undertaken with respect to Article 6, and in particular to report on assistance provided for the care and rehabilitation, and social and economic reintegration, of mine victims.

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[Narrative / reference to other reports:] In the last report, Botswana declared having maintained a few number of anti-personnel mines for purposes of training because Botswana Defence Force (BDF) soldiers were deployed at mine-infested countries for peace keeping assignments in the past. Botswana is now reporting and declaring that all mines it kept for training, [VS-50 (x 677) AND M43 (x 425)] were destroyed by members of BDF in conjunction with the Norwegian Peoples Aid (NPA), who provided technical assistance, in November 2019. This means that Botswana does not have any more mines in her inventory. The Republic of Botswana remains committed to the prohibition of the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines and their destruction, and to the full implementation of its provisions.