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To the Secretary General of the United Nations

On the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction

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NAME OF STATE [PARTY]: ALBANIA

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Form A: National implementation measures:	Form F: Programme of APM destruction:
	□ changed
✓ unchanged (last reporting:)	✓ unchanged (last reporting:)
□ non applicable	□ non applicable
Form B: Stockpiled anti-personnel mines:	Form G: APM destroyed:
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✓ non applicable	✓ non applicable
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□ changed	□ changed
☐ unchanged (last reporting:)	☐ unchanged (last reporting:)
✓ non applicable	✓ non applicable
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□ changed	□ changed
☐ unchanged (last reporting:)	☐ unchanged (last reporting:)
✓ non applicable	□ non applicable

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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

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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".

State [Party]:	ALBANIA	reporting for time period from	1 Januar	y 2024	to	31 December 2024
Measures				effective	e date	v information (e.g., of implementation & text attached).
No change. I	For most recent information please se	ee Article 7 Report (2006)				

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

Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information
N/A			Albania has completed the destruction of its APM stockpile since 4 April 2002.
TOTAL			

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

Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information
N/A			No previously unknown APM stockpiles have been discovered.
TOTAL			

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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Туре	Quantity	Date of emplacement	Supplementary information
			Albania completed clearance of all known anti-personnel mine contaminated areas in its territory by October 2009. For more details, please check Albania's Article 7 Report for the year 2009.
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Туре	Quantity	Date of emplacement	Supplementary information
	Туре	Type Quantity	Type Quantity Date of

^{*} 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"

State [Party]:	ALBANIA	reporting for time period from	1 January 2024	to 31 December 2024

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

TOTAL				
N/A				Albania has decided not to retain any anti-personnel mines for training purposes.
Institution authorized by State Party	Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information

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

10. Voluntary information (Actio	n π3+ 0j Nairobi Aciion I ianj	
Objectives	Activity / Project	Supplementary information (Description of programs or activities, their objectives and progress, types of mines, time period if and when appropriate)
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	Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information: e.g. transferred from, transferred to
N/A				
TOTAL				

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

Institution authorized by State	Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information:
Party				e.g. transferred from, transferred to
N/A				
TOTAL				

Form E	Status of programs for conversion or	de-commissioning of APM pro	oduction facilities	
Article 7.1	"Each State Party shall report to the See e) The status of programs for the	cretary-General on: le conversion or de-commissionin	ng of anti-personnel	mine production facilities."
State [Party]:	ALBANIA	reporting for time period from	1 January 2024	to 31 December 2024

Indicate if to "convert" or "decommission"	Status (indicate if "in process" or "completed")	Supplementary information
N/A		

Form F Status of programs for destruction of	r	Status	oi program	s tor a	estruction	OI APMIS
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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."

State [Party]:	ALBANIA	reporting for time period from 1	January 2024	to 31 December 2024
1. Status of pro	ograms for destruction of sto	ckpiled APMs (Article 4)		
Description of	f the status of programs inclu	nding:		
Location of de	estruction sites		Details	of:
	completed the destruction ele 7 Report for year 2002.	of its stockpiled APMs since April 2002. For det	tails Method	ls
			Applica	able safety standards
			Applica	able environmental standards
2. Status of pr	rograms for destruction of A	PMs in mined areas (<i>Article 5</i>)		
Description of	f the status of programs inclu	ıding:		
Location of de	estruction sites		Details	of:
N/A			Method	ls
			Applica	able safety standards
			Applica	able environmental standards

Form G Article 7.1	"Each State Party g) The ty Party, to and 5, res	include a breakdow	Secretary-General of all anti-personner of the quantity of	el mines destroyed of each type of ant	ti-personnel mine de	estroy	e of this Convention for the ed, in accordance with Ar ine in the case of destruct	rticles 4
State [Party]:	ALBANIA		reporting for	time period from	1 January 2024	to	31 December 2024	
1. Destruction	of stockpiled APM	s (Article 4)	_					
Туре		Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary in	nformation			
	N/A							
TOTAL								
2. Destruction	of APMs in mined	areas (Article 5)						
Type		Quantity	Supplementary in	nformation				
	N/A							
TOTAL								
3. Previously u	ınknown stockpiles	of anti-personnel mir	nes discovered and d	lestroyed after the d	leadlines have passed.	. (Acti	on #15 of Nairobi Action Pl	'an)*
Туре	·	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary in			,	,
	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 H Technical characteristics of each type produced/owned or possessed

- Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:
 - h) The technical characteristics of each type of anti-personnel mine produced, to the extent known, and those currently owned or possessed by a State Party, giving, where reasonably possible, such categories of information as may facilitate identification and clearance of anti-personnel mines; at a minimum, this information shall include the dimensions, fusing, explosive content, metallic content, colour photographs and other information which may facilitate mine clearance"

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1. Technical characteristics of each APM-type produced

Type	Dimensions	Fusing	Explosive content		Metallic	Colour	Supplementary information to
			type	grams	content	photo attached	facilitate mine clearance.
N/A							

2. Technical characteristics of each APM-type currently owned or possessed

Type	Dimensions	Fusing	Explosive	content	Metallic	photo	1.1	Supplementary information to
			type	grams	content		facilitate mine clearance.	
N/A								

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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N/A

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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1. VICTIM ASSISTANCE

During the reporting period, there were offered medical specialized services to the people with disabilities in the University Hospital of Trauma in Tirana including orthopaedics, physiotherapy, and prosthesis services. Medical services are provided at the hospital for all persons with disabilities, including landmine survivors. Specialized interventions are offered in 11 regional hospitals and at the University Trauma Hospital.

Access to health care services, therapeutic treatment, and rehabilitation interventions for persons with disabilities, including landmine survivors and their families are provided at all levels of service delivery in primary and hospital health care centres. Regarding the physical barriers, Law No. 93/2014 "On inclusion and accessibility for persons with disabilities", set the responsibilities of institutions for accessible services and non-discrimination for all categories of persons with disabilities.

Albania has taken important steps towards the implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD). In implementation of this Convention, the Parliament of Albania adopted Law No. 93/2014 "On Inclusion and Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities", foreseeing general concepts on social inclusion, accessible services and non-discrimination for all categories of persons with disabilities.

The Ministry of Health and Social Protection coordinates policies on the rights of Persons with Disabilities in order to guarantee that persons with disabilities in accessing social protection, access to justice, education, health, social housing, employment and vocational training, in accordance with the objectives and measures of the National Plan for Persons with Disabilities 2021-2025, approved by Decision of the Council of Ministers, no. 276, dated 12. 05. 2021 according to the following link:

https://shendetesia.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Plani-Kombetar-2021-2025 ENG.pdf

The plan contains measures for access to healthcare, in implementation of the National Health Strategy 2021 – 2030, approved by Council of Ministers No. 210, dated 06.04.2022. Specifically, the National Program for the Rehabilitation and Modernization of Health Institutions has ensured an improved infrastructure in health institutions at the national level. To increase access and quality in the provision of health services, the Ministry of Health and Social Protection has improved the infrastructure in health institutions. Around 400 centers have improved the infrastructure and provided quality health services.

The model of socio-health services has been expanded to 103 socio-health centers, at the national level, where family medicine teams have been joined by psychologists and social workers, who provide psychosocial support and interventions for various vulnerable groups, including the category of persons treated by this convention. Also, at this level of service provision, to continuously improve the provision of rehabilitation and therapeutic services, about 50 speech therapists and physiotherapists have been added to the family medicine teams.

Meanwhile, the services provided at the hospital level for people with disabilities, specialized interventions, are provided at the Kukes Regional Hospital and the University Hospital of Trauma. The Kukes Regional Hospital offers an orthopedic prosthesis service, providing mainly repair services.

Also, at the tertiary level, at the national level, at the University Hospital of Trauma, various services are provided for people with disabilities of all categories. This hospital has in its structure: the University Orthopedics Service, which is divided into three clinics, the Physiotherapy Service and the Plaster and Prosthetics Sector.

Through the Social Fund financing mechanism, new community services have been created for people with disabilities. During this year, a priority has also been the strengthening of the roles and figures of professionals who work with vulnerable groups, such as social health operators and personal assistants for the disabled.

The new model of bio-psycho-social assessment of disability is carried out based on the criteria approved in the guidelines for adults and children, which use ICF codes. This assessment scheme is applied to the assessment of disability throughout the country.

Regarding employment, the amendments approved in Law no. 15/2019 "On the Promotion of Employment", have established the Social Employment Fund, through the provision and administration of financial mechanisms for the promotion of employment, integration and social inclusion of persons with disabilities.

The legal framework for social housing also provides for the coordination of housing programs with public health, social assistance, employment and job training programs. The housing legislation has provided for all the enabling schemes that support the independent living of persons with disabilities.

Based on Law No. 111/2017 "On legal aid guaranteed by the state", according to Article 11, persons with disabilities, regardless of their income, are direct beneficiaries of primary and secondary legal aid. Sub-legal acts have been drafted, enabling cooperation with legal clinics to increase access to justice for persons with disabilities.

Regarding mental health, the Mental Health Action Plan 2023 - 2026 is in implementation, which continues to promote the provision of mental health services at the community level, through the deinstitutionalization and decentralization of these services.

At the meeting of the National Council for Persons with Disabilities, held on 4 December 2024, the findings and recommendations of the mid-term report of the National Plan for Persons with Disabilities 2021-2025 were also presented.

Moreover, within the framework of the Platform for Social Inclusion, during 2024, the MoHSP organized consultations on the mid-term report of the National Action Plan for Persons with Disabilities 2021-2025, in four regions: Shkoder, Durres, Elbasan and Berat. Participants from civil society organizations of the persons with disabilities including representatives of mine survivors took part. These meetings were attended by around 120 participants from regions, municipalities and regional directorates that provide social, health, employment and free legal aid services.

At the same time, the Ministry of Health and Social Protection will soon begin the process of evaluation of implementation of National Action Plan on Persons with Disability 2021-2025 and drafting of the new National Action Plan for Persons with Disability 2026-2030.