

**Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and
Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction**
(Ottawa Convention)

INITIAL REPORT SUBMITTED BY BOTSWANA IN 2001

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Botswana has the honour to, in compliance with Article 7 of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (Ottawa Convention) submit the Country report as follows:

Botswana is not directly affected by the problem of landmines. Botswana has not produced or exported anti-personnel landmines. The Botswana Defence Force (BDF) has not laid any landmines in Botswana or any other country.

The Country does not have a stockpile of mines but maintains a small quantity for training purposes. This is important because in the past the Botswana Defence Force soldiers have been deployed to mine-infested Countries on peace keeping assignments. Therefore there is need for the soldiers to be trained in handling landmines.

Botswana joins the International Community in deploring the irreparable harm that landmines inflict on populations. Botswana is therefore committed to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel mines and on their destruction and to the full implementation of its provisions. It will in this regard continue to actively participate in international efforts aimed at the complete eradication of these weapons.

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Adapted from the ISU records in Geneva – 2008(Rhee)

**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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BOTSWANA

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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	Supplementary information (e.g., effective date of implementation & text of legislation attached).
CONSULTATIONS UNDER WAY TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO DOMESTICATE THE CONVENTION	N/A

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
Anti- personnel mine Blast VS-50	247	JJD 002	These stocks are maintained for training purposes
Anti - Personnel Mine	772	84-5-53B	These stocks are maintained for training purposes
TOTAL	1019		

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
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	N/A		

* 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
NOT APPLICABLE (N/A)	N/A	N/A	N/A	Botswana Defence Force have never laid any mines in Botswana or any other country.
	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

2. Areas suspected to contain mines*

Location	Type	Quantity	Date of emplacement	Supplementary information
NOT APPLICABLE (N/A)	N/A	N/A	N/A	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
Anti- personnel mine Blast VS-50	247	Anti- personnel mine Blast VS-50	N/A	N/A
Anti - Personnel Mine	772	Anti - Personnel Mine	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	1019	TOTAL		

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

Objectives	Activity / Project	Supplementary information <i>(Description of programs or activities, their objectives and progress, types of mines, time period if and when appropriate...)</i>
NOT APPLICABLE (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
NOT APPLICABLE (N/A)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	----- N/A -----	N/A		

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
NOT APPLICABLE (N/A)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	----- N/A -----	N/A		

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
NOT APPLICABLE (N/A)	N/A	N/A
N/A	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	
NOT APPLICABLE (N/A)	Methods
N/A	Applicable safety standards
N/A	Applicable environmental standards

2. Status of programs for destruction of APMs in mined areas (*Article 5*)

Description of the status of programs including:	Details of:
Location of destruction sites	
NOT APPLICABLE (N/A)	Methods
N/A	Applicable safety standards
N/A	Applicable environmental standards

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
NOT APPLICABLE (N/A)	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	N/A		

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

Type	Quantity	Supplementary information
NOT APPLICABLE (N/A)	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	N/A	

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
NOT APPLICABLE (N/A)	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	N/A		

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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:]

NOT APPLICABLE (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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[Narrative / reference to other reports:]

NOT APPLICABLE (N/A)