AP Mine Ban Convention: Article 7 Transparency Reporting



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Transparency reporting: Why?



- Initial and annual transparency reporting are legal obligations.
- Initial reporting clarifies for which States
 Parties which obligations are relevant.
- Annual reporting demonstrates individual States Parties' ongoing seriousness to the aims and objectives of the Convention.
- The aggregate annual reporting is an indicator of the overall health of the Convention.

Now that we've joined the Convention and submitted our initial report, we'd better get started on our update!







Initial Reporting:

- Article 7.1: "...as soon as practicable, and in any event not later than 180 days after the entry into force of this Convention for that State Party..."
- For Indonesia:
 - o 1 August 2007 + 180 days = 27 January 2008

Annual reporting:

 Article 7.2: "...information provided ... shall be updated by the States Parties annually, covering the last calendar year, and reported ... not later than 30 April of each year."



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Transparency reporting: What?



States Parties are obliged to provide information on:

- a. National implementation measures.
- b. Stockpiled anti-personnel mines.
- c. The location of all mined areas.
- d. Mines retained or transferred for permitted reasons.
- e. Programs for the conversion or decommissioning of mine production facilities.
- f. Mine clearance and stockpile destruction programs.
- g. Mines destroyed as a result of mine clearance and stockpile destruction programs.
- h. The technical characteristics of mines produced, owned or possessed.
- i. Measures taken to provide warnings to populations of mined areas.









Transparency reporting: What?



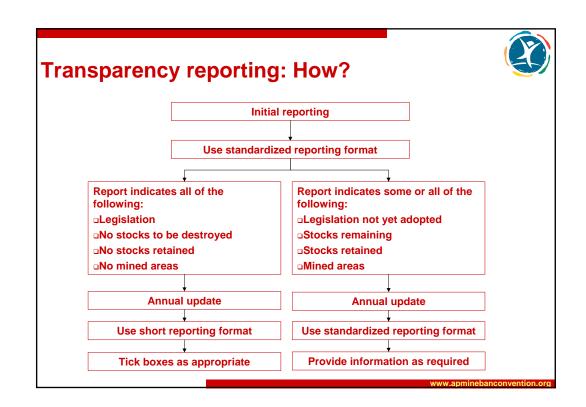
States Parties may volunteer additional information on;

Form D: Activities undertaken / plans for mines retained or transferred for permitted reasons.

Form J: Any other matter, including cooperation and assistance activities particularly assistance provided for the care and rehabilitation, and social and economic reintegration, of mine victims.

The States Parties aren't required to report on assistance to the victims, but the opportunity exists for them to volunteer such information!





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NAME OF STATE [PARTY]: to to to	
Form A: National implementation measures:	Form F: Program of APM destruction:
Form B: Stockpiled anti-personnel mines:	Form G: APM destroyed:
Form C: Location of mined areas: changed unchanged (last reporting: yyyy) non applicable	Form H: Technical characteristics: changed unchanged (last reporting: yyyy) non applicable
Form D: APMs retained or transferred:	Form I: Warning measures:
Form E: Status of conversion programs:	Form J: Other Relevant Matters changed unchanged (last reporting: yyyy) non applicable
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Transparency reporting: How?



 Report in relation to benchmarks in your extension request

Request for an extension of the deadline for completing the destruction of anti-personnel mines in mined areas in accordance with Article 5, paragraph 1 of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction

Kingdom of Thailand

Submitted to His Royal Highness Prince Mired Raad Al-Hussein of Jordan President of the Eighth Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention

(Revised version - as of August 2008)

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
Total Minefield to be ckered annually (sq. km.)	43,07	43,28	41.73	41.95	41.05	62,92	61.95	64,71	64.13	63,51	528,35

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Transparency reporting: To whom?



- UN Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA), Geneva Branch: Designated by the UN Secretary General to act on his behalf in receiving reports.
- Forward reports to the UNODA Officer in charge:

Mr. Peter Kolarov UNODA Geneva Branch Email: PKOLAROV@unog.ch

- Submit reports electronically!
- Provide a copy to the Implementation Support Unit (isu@gichd.org).

The UN is a big operation. Things can go missing if not submitted to the right person / office!



