

22 March 2010

- To: The Permanent Missions (Geneva) of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction
- Re: Funding the evaluation of the Implementation Support Unit (ISU) of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction

Dear friends and colleagues,

First of all I would like to thank all those who participated in the first and second meetings of the ISU Task Force on 10 February and 10 March. All documents relevant to the ongoing evaluation of the ISU can be found at the Convention's website, and I would like to encourage all States Parties to take active part in the evaluation.

As discussed in both meetings of the Task Force, the cost estimate for the evaluation is approximately USD 83.000. As conducting this evaluation was a joint decision of the States Parties to the Convention, the evaluation should preferrably be financed by a representative group of States Parties. The Task Force decided to use the ISU Voluntary Trust Fund as the funding channel, as referred to in the summaries of the meetings. A breakdown of the cost estimate is as follows:

Total	US\$83,000
Miscellaneous costs	1,900
Accommodation and Per diems (12 days @ US350 per day) (under consideration)	4,200
Travel for Consultations (fares) (under consideration)	12,000
Research assistance and professional assistance (independent accounting advice)	12,400
Personnel costs 105 days at consultancy rate of US\$500 per day	52,500

I welcome any contribution through the following bank account:

UBS Geneva, P.O. Box 2600, 1211 Geneva 2 FP 100 627.6 IBAN : CH45 0024 0240 FP10 0627 6 Swift code : UBSWCHZH80A (Indicate "ISU Trust Fund – ISU Evaluation")

For any practical details, please contact the ISU directly.

I look forward to continue working with all partners to ensure a good outcome of the evaluation process.

Yours sincerely,

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