



17 January 2013

To: The Permanent Missions to the United Nations of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction

Re: Appeal to contribute to the Implementation Support Unit

Excellencies, dear friends,

I would like to thank you for your support and cooperation in ensuring that the 3-7 December 2012 Twelfth Meeting of the States Parties (12MSP) was a success. Amongst the many outcomes of the 12MSP were decisions we took concerning the Implementation Support Unit (ISU). In particular, at the 12MSP, for the second time, a Meeting of the States Parties approved a work plan and budget for the activities of the ISU.

With our ownership over the ISU having been exercised and given previous decisions that the States Parties would provide sufficient funding for the ISU's operations, my purpose in writing is to ask each State Party to direct its 2013 financial contribution to the ISU as soon as possible to ensure that the work plan we agreed to at the 12MSP is fully funded.

Attached you will find the 2013 work plan and budget for the ISU. You will see that the ISU requires approximately CHF 940,000 for its core operations to be fully funded in 2013. You will note that in preparing the 2013 work plan, the ISU has again been sensitive regarding the current financial context in that projected costs remain below levels budgeted for in past years. Should you require additional information regarding the ISU's 2012 work plan and budget, please contact the Director of the ISU, Mr. Kerry Brinkert.

Please note that States Parties are invited to direct their contributions to the ISU to the following bank account:

UBS Geneva, P.O. Box 2600, CH-1211 Geneva 2, Switzerland
Account no.: FP 100 627.6
IBAN: CH45 0024 0240 FP10 0627 6
Swift code: UBSWCHZH80A
Account owner: Centre international de déminage humanitaire – Genève

(When forwarding funds, please indicate "ISU Core Work Plan 2013".)

President of the Twelfth Meeting of the States Parties
c/o Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention Implementation Support Unit

I wish to thank you for your consideration of this matter, which is of great importance to the ongoing effective functioning of the Convention.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matjaz Kovacic', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Matjaž Kovačič
President of the Twelfth Meeting of the States Parties