PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS COMMITTEE ON VICTIM ASSISTANCE (Mozambique, Belgium, Chile and Italy)

Intersessional Meetings 22-24 May 2019

Observations of the Committee on the information submitted by Angola

1. The Committee welcomes the submission by Angola of its Article 7 report for the calendar year 2018 containing updated information on its victim assistance activities. Based on the information provided, the Committee presents the following conclusions.

Mine casualties

- The Committee observed that Angola reported 21 mine/ERW casualties with 5 killed and 16 injured in 2018 including 12 boys, 3 girls, 2 men and 4 women in Malanje, Moxico, Namibe, Uige and Zaire provinces.
- 3. The Committee observed that Angola did not report on the implementation status of any of the victim assistance actions #12 to #18 of the Maputo Action Plan and would welcome information on these matters, as it was also indicated in a letter sent to the Permanent Mission of Angola to the UN in Geneva by the Chair of the Committee on Victim Assistance of the Convention on 29 January 2019.
- 4. The Committee also observed that Angola did not respond to the Committee's conclusions on information submitted by Angola in 2018, presented at the Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention in 2018 and would welcome information in this regard.