PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS

COMMITTEE ON ARTICLE 5 IMPLEMENTATION (Belgium (Chair), France, Iraq, and Sri Lanka)

Intersessional Meetings 20 – 22 June 2022

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I. Progress in implementation (OAP Action #8, #22)

- Peru reported that in 2021, humanitarian demining operations were re-started in the period August – November after a period of cessation due to impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Peru reported that it released a total of 6 mined areas measuring 11,077.37 square metres, including 1,396.53 square metres cancelled, 1,911.95 square metres reduced and 7,768.89 square metres cleared, resulting in the destruction of 188 anti-personnel mines and 4 items of unexploded ordnance.
- 2. The Committee observed that progress in implementation provided by Peru has been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Committee observed that progress in implementation allowed for comparability with that provided in its 2018 updated work plan. The Committee welcomed Peru reporting disaggregated information on progress in accordance with land release methodology employed, using the Guide to Reporting and in accordance with the International Mine Action Standards (IMAS) and by type of contamination (Action #8, Action #22).

II. Clarity regarding remaining challenge (OAP Action #18, #22)

- 3. The Committee observed that in 2021 Peru provided a high degree of clarity¹ concerning its remaining challenge (Action #18). Peru reported a remaining challenge of 102 mined areas measuring 359,214.00 square metres located in 4 sectors, including 42 mined areas measuring 70,690 square metres in Santiago, 5 mined areas measuring 17,700.00 square metres in Tiwinza, 37 mined areas measuring 89,759.00 square metres in Cenepa, and 18 mined areas measuring 180,965 square metres in Achuime (Action #22).
- 4. Action #18 of the Oslo Action Plan requests States that have not yet done so will identify the precise perimeter of mined areas, to the extent possible, and establish evidence based, accurate baselines of contamination based on information collected from all relevant sources, no later than by the Nineteenth Meeting of the States Parties in 2021. The Committee observed that Peru was still in the process of identifying the precise perimeter of mined areas and would welcome updated information from Peru on these efforts (Action #18).
- 5. Action #18 of the Oslo Plan requests States to report on having established their baseline through inclusive consultations with women, girls, boys and men. The Committee observed that Peru had not provided updated information in its Article 7 Report on its efforts to establish Peru's baseline

¹ "High degree of clarity" has been used when a State Party has provided a list of all remaining areas (known or suspected to contain anti-personnel mines), the estimated size of each area, the status of each area (i.e., "known" or "suspected"), information on the geographic location of each area.

through inclusive consultations with women, girls, boys and men and would welcome additional information in this regard (Action #18).

III. National plans for clearance and survey (OAP Actions #1, #2, #3, #6, #19, #20, #26)

- 6. The Committee recalled that Peru's updated work plan submitted in 2018 contained a national evidence based and costed plan for clearance and survey for the period of 2018-2024 (Action #2, Action #19).
- 7. Peru reported that it would address 18 mined areas in 2022, including 5 areas in Tiwinza, and 18 areas in Cenepa, 39 mined areas in 2023, including 20 areas in Santiago, and 19 areas in Cenepa, and 40 mined areas in 2024, including 22 areas in Santiago, and 18 areas in Achuime. The Committee observed that Peru reported adjusted milestones based on new evidence (Action #20).
- 8. The Committee observed Peru reported remaining challenges in a manner consistent with IMAS, disaggregating by 'suspected hazardous areas' and 'confirmed hazardous areas' and their relative size, and type of contamination (Action #22).
- 9. Peru reported on making national financial commitments to the implementation of Article 5 obligations, including an annual allocation of 4,500,000 soles, with a reduction of 3,500,000 soles in 2021 (Action #1).
- 10. Action #1 of the Oslo Action Plan requests States to demonstrate high levels of national ownership, including by integrating Convention implementation activities into national development plans, poverty reduction strategies, humanitarian response plans. The Committee observed that Peru had not provided in its Article 7 Report information on its efforts to integrate Convention implementation activities into national development plans and would welcome further information in this regard (Action #1).
- 11. Action #6 of the Oslo Action Plan requests States to strengthen partnerships and integrate responses between mine action related activities and humanitarian response plans, peacebuilding, development or human rights plans, where relevant. The Committee observed that Peru had not provided in its Article 7 Report information on its efforts to strengthen partnerships and integrate responses into broader frameworks and would welcome further information in this regard (Action #6).
- 12. Peru reported on the actions taken and ways in which its work plan and strategy integrate gender and take the diverse needs and experiences of people in affected communities into account, including campaigns to include gender in mine risk education and that take into account the needs and experiences of affected communities (Action #3).
- 13. The Committee recalled that that Peru reported on provisions for a sustainable national capacity. The Committee observed that Peru reported that an evaluation of the work carried out will be completed at the end of its Article 5 deadline. The Committee noted the importance of Peru's efforts to make provisions for a sustainable national capacity to address any previously unknown mined areas that may be discovered following Peru declaring completion of its Article 5 obligations (Action #26).

IV. Efficient and expedient implementation (OAP Actions #5, #9, #27)

- 14. Peru reported on the appointment of committee to ensure National Mine Action Standards (NMAS) were updated in accordance with the latest IMAS (Action #5).
- 15. Peru reported on its efforts to maintain an accurate and up-to-date information management system, including plans to check data before the transfer of data contained in IMSMA Ang to IMSMA Core (Action #9).
- 16. Peru reported on its efforts to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of survey, including permanent updates to demining techniques and procedures, exchange of demining experiences with different countries, use of equipment with updated magnetometres, and use of canine demining techniques (Action #27).

V. V. Actions in accordance with plans in extension requests and decisions on them

- 17. The Committee recalled that in granting Peru's request, the Fifteenth Meeting of the States Parties (15MSP) had requested Peru to submit updated information on several matters. The Committee welcomes the information provided by Peru on the following:
 - Progress made relative to the commitments contained in section 15 of its extension request;
 - The outcomes of survey efforts and how additional clarity obtained may change Peru's understanding of the remaining implementation challenge and priorities for clearance; and
 - Resources made available by the Government of Peru and other entities to support implementation.
- 18. The Committee observed that Peru had not provided an update on the following decisions of the States Parties and would welcome an update on these matters:
 - Results of efforts in the development of new land release policies and on their implementation;
 - Efforts undertaken to reach out to international entities to achieve Peru's desired outcome to conclude implementation well in advance of its requested extension deadline; and

VI. Mine risk education and reduction (OAP Actions #28-32)

- 12. The Committee observed that Peru reported that the Peru-Ecuador binational mine risk education programme was not carried out in 2021 due to the impact of COVID-19 pandemic, and the next campaign planned for May 2022 in Condorcanqui province. (Action #32).
- 19. The Committee noted the importance of Peru reporting on mine risk education and reduction programmes in Article 7 reports, including the methodologies used, the challenges faced, and the results achieved, disaggregated by gender and age, and would welcome further information the implementation of mine risk education and other risk reduction programmes, in regard to updates in line with Actions #28-32 (Action #32).

VII. Challenges in implementation

20.The Committee observed the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on Peru's progress in implementation of its Article 5 obligations. The Committee further observed the climate and geographical constraints on the development of mine risk education programmes in the affected areas.

The Oslo Action Plan country reporting tracker Article 5 Implementation Peru

	CROSS-CUTTING ACTIONS									
Actions	Indicators		2020		2023	2024	Additional information requested from the Committee (deadline 9 August)			
#1	# States Parties that report, having included Convention implementation activities in national development plans, poverty reduction strategies, humanitarian response plans and national strategies for the inclusion of persons with disabilities, where appropriate						The Committee would welcome information on Peru's efforts to demonstrate high levels of national ownership, including by integrating Convention implementation activities into national development plans, poverty reduction strategies, humanitarian response plans.			
	% mine-affected States Parties that report making national financial commitments to the implementation of their obligations under the Convention									
#2	% mine-affected States Parties that report having evidence-based, costed and time-bound national strategies and work plans in place									
#3	% affected States Parties whose national work plans and strategies integrate gender and take the diverse needs and experiences of people in affected communities into account									
	# women in States Parties' delegations attending Convention meetings									
#5	% States Parties that have updated their national standards to address new challenges and ensure the employment of best practices, taking into consideration the latest IMAS									
#6	# States Parties that report having included mine action related activities within their humanitarian response plans, peacebuilding, development or human rights plans, where relevant						The Committee would welcome information on Peru's efforts to strengthen partnerships and integrate responses between mine action related activities and humanitarian response plans, peacebuilding, development or human rights plans, where relevant.			
#8	# States Parties that prepare their Article 7 reports using the Guide to Reporting									
πο	# States Parties that report on progress and challenges during formal and informal meetings									
#9	% States Parties that report having a sustainable national information management system in place									

	SURVEY AND CLEARAN	ICE OF	CE OF MINED AREAS								
Actions	Indicators	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Additional information requested from the Committee (deadline 9 August)				
#18	% affected States Parties that have established an accurate and evidence-based contamination baseline no later than the Nineteenth Meeting of the States Parties in 2021 (and by each year thereafter if not all affected States Parties have done so by 19MSP)										
20	% affected States Parties who report having established their baseline through inclusive consultations with women, girls, boys and men						The Committee would welcome information on Peru's efforts on having established their baseline through inclusive consultations with women, girls, boys and men.				
#19	% affected States Parties presenting work plans for the implementation of Article 5 by the Eighteenth Meeting of the States Parties (and MSPs thereafter and by each year thereafter if not all affected States Parties have done so by 18MSP)										
#20	# affected States Parties that have reported annual updates and adjusted milestones to their national work plans in their 30 April transparency reports										
	# States Parties that have fulfilled their obligations under Article 5										
#21	# States Parties that apply the provisions of the Convention to anti- personnel mines of an improvised nature (for the purpose of this indicator: survey, clear and report)										
	% of affected States Parties reporting on the remaining challenge and progress made in accordance with IMAS										
#22	% of affected States Parties providing survey and clearance data in Article 5 extension requests and Article 7 reports that disaggregates by type of contamination										
#23	% extension requests that include detailed, costed and multi-year work plans for the extension period										
#23	% extension requests that are submitted in accordance with the process established by the States Parties										
#24	% extension requests that include appropriate plans for risk education and reduction activities										

#25	% States Parties that have completed their Article 5 obligations and that submit voluntary declarations of completion			
#26	% affected States Parties that include provisions for addressing previously unknown mined areas in their national strategies and/or completion plans			
	% affected States Parties that report having put in place sustainable national capacities to address the discovery of previously unknown mined areas			
	% States Parties that discover previously unknown mined areas, including newly mined areas, that apply the decision of the Twelfth Meeting of the States Parties			
#27	# States Parties that report promoting research, application and sharing of innovative technological means			

	MINE RISK EDUCATION AND REDUCTION									
Actions	Indicators	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Additional information requested from the Committee (deadline 9 August)			
#28	% affected States Parties that report having included mine risk education and reduction programmes in their humanitarian response and protection plans and/or development plans, as well as in their mine action plans, where relevant						The Committee would welcome information on Peru's efforts to integrate mine risk education activities with wider humanitarian, development, protection and education efforts, as well as with ongoing survey, clearance and victim assistance activities to reduce the risk to the affected population and decrease their need for risk-taking.			
#29	% affected States Parties that report having mine risk education and reduction programmes for all affected populations in place						The Committee would welcome information on Peru's efforts to provide context-specific mine risk education and reduction programmes to all affected populations and groups at risk.			
	% States Parties that report carrying out mine risk education and reduction activities that collect, analyse and report data disaggregated by gender, age, disability and other diverse needs						The Committee would welcome information on Peru's efforts to ensure that such programmes are developed on the basis of a needs assessment, that they are tailored to the threat encountered by the population, and that they are sensitive to gender, age, disability and take the diverse needs and experiences of people in affected communities into account.			

#30	# States Parties that report having established an evidence-based priority-setting mechanism for mine risk education and reduction programmes			The Committee would welcome information on Peru's efforts to prioritise people most at risk by linking mine risk education and reduction programmes and messages directly to an analysis of available casualty and contamination data, an understanding of the affected population's behaviour, risk pattern and coping mechanisms, and, wherever possible, anticipated population movements.
#31	# States Parties that provide risk education and reduction programmes to affected communities in the case that previously unknown mined areas are discovered			The Committee would welcome information on Peru's efforts to build national capacity to deliver mine risk education and reduction programmes with the ability to adapt to changing needs and contexts, including the delivery of such programmes to affected communities in the case that previously unknown mined areas are discovered.
#32	# States Parties reporting on their mine risk education and other risk reduction programmes and results			