

Twenty-Second Meeting of the States Parties 1to 5 December 2025, Geneva

28 March 2025

To: The Permanent Missions to the United Nations in Geneva of States Parties and States not party to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction

Interested international and nongovernmental organisations

Re: Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention Intersessional Meetings, 17-20 June 2025

Excellencies, dear Colleagues,

It is a great pleasure to write to you in my capacity as President of the Twenty-Second Meeting of the States Parties (2MSP) and Chair of the Coordinating Committee of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction to invite you to participate in the:

Intersessional Meetings 17-20 June 2025 International Conference Centre Geneva (CICG) Rue de Varembé 17, 1211 Geneva, Switzerland

The Intersessional Meetings are of great importance for our joint implementation efforts as they mark the mid-way point between formal meetings of States Parties. This year's Intersessional Meetings take place during an important moment in the Convention's life as we embark on applying the decisions we adopted at the Fifth Review Conference in November of 2024 and together navigate through current challenges facing the Convention's implementation.

Attached you will find information concerning the Intersessional Meetings, including the preliminary programme for the Meetings. As we move forward, the Coordinating Committee will share additional information concerning the Intersessional Meetings, including further details on the programme, side events, and further information on registration and participation. Information will also be progressively available on the Convention's website www.apminebanconvention.org.

As President, I am committed to an inclusive approach in all parts of our work and to a full, equal and gender-balanced participation in Convention meetings. I would therefore like to use this opportunity to encourage all States Parties and other stakeholders to keep this aspect in mind when composing their delegations and in preparing their interventions. I count on your continued engagement in the lead-up to the Intersessional Meetings and I look forward to seeing you in person in June.

Should you have any questions on these matters, please do not hesitate to contact me or the Convention's Implementation Support Unit (<u>isu@apminebanconvention.org</u>). We look forward to your continued engagement in the lead-up to the Intersessional Meetings.

Yours sincerely,

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