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NV: 13292/23

NOTE VERBALE

The Permanent Mission of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the OSCE, United Nations and other International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to all Delegations and Permanent Missions of the Participating States to the OSCE and to the Conflict Prevention Centre and has the honor to provide herewith the Bosnia and Herzegovina's reply to the Questionnaire on Anti-Personnel Mines and Explosive Remnants of War for the year 2022.

The Permanent Mission of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the OSCE, United Nations and other International Organizations in Vienna avails itself of the opportunity to renew to all Permanent Missions and Delegations of all OSCE participating States and to the Conflict Prevention Centre the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, Jun 08, 2023

To: OSCE Conflict Prevention Centre (CPC)
All Delegations/Permanent Missions to the OSCE
VIENNA

OSCE QUESTIONNAIRE ON ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES To be submitted no later than 31 May of each year (starting in May 2005)

Part I

1. Is your country a State Party to the 1996 Amended Protocol II on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices annexed to the 1980 Convention on Conventional Weapons (CCW)?

YES. Bosnia and Herzegovina is a State Party since 07th September 2000.

If yes:

2. Please attach the most recent annual report submitted by your country in accordance with Article 13 of the Amended Protocol or give the appropriate electronic address for the report.

Please find attached annual report for 2022 submitted in accordance with Article 13 of the Amended Protocol with all relevant information on questions related to the Amended Protocol II on prohibitions or restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby - Traps and Other devices.

If no:

- 3. Is your country considering ratification/accession to the Amended Protocol II?
- 4. What measures have been taken to prevent the indiscriminate use of mines, booby-traps and other devices?
- 5. Would your country be interested in receiving assistance related to the implementation of this Protocol? If so, please describe.
- 6. Does your country have the capacity to assist others related to this Protocol? If so, please describe.

Part II

- 7. Has your country ratified or acceded to the 1997 Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction?
- YES. Bosnia and Herzegovina is a State Party since 08th September 1998.
- 8.(a) If yes, please attach the most recent report submitted by your country in accordance with Article 7 of the Convention or give the appropriate electronic address for the report.

Please find attached annual report for 2022 submitted in accordance with Article 7 of the Convention with all relevant information on questions related to the Convention on the Prohibition

- of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction.
- (b) If no, is your country considering ratification/accession to the Convention?
- (c) Has your country adopted legislation to address the humanitarian objectives of the convention, or taken any specific measures regarding the use, production, storage, transfer and destruction of anti-personnel landmines? In case a moratorium has been introduced, what is its scope and duration and when was it introduced?

Bosnia and Herzegovina hasn't passed the Law about implementation on the Conventions. In Bosnia and Herzegovina Conventions and Protocols from the area of Mine Action are ratified by Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina and published in Official Gazette of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Bosnia and Herzegovina Criminal Law has been annexed to accommodate ban of all the activities prohibited under the Convention. Criminal Law of Bosnia and Herzegovina enter into force on 1st March 2003. Chapter XVI: Criminal acts against integrity of Bosnia and Herzegovina – Article 165; Chapter XVII: Criminal acts against humanity and values protected under international law – Articles 193 and 193 a.

9. Does your country have any specific measures in place to provide assistance to victims?

Bosnia and Herzegovina has a very developed system of health care with clinics, clinical centres, specialised semi-clinics, hospitals and rehabilitation centres. In order to increase the availability of services in local communities, there are additionally opened Rehabilitation Centres (CBR) as well as Centres for Mental Health (CMZ) at more than 60 separate location within Bosnia and Herzegovina. Additionally, as for the resolving problems of mine victims, i.e. reduction of so called "phantom pain there are centres for pain relief and medical personnel specifically trained for assisting in these centres. Equipping mine victims with prosthetics' in on a high level. The country partially of fully pays for the prosthetics costs. Achievements of Bosnia and Herzegovina in health care is visible through the fact that mine victims point out the social aspect of the problem rather than the medical one. Apart from all efforts, there is a necessity for personnel improvement in health system as well as widening of the health services offered. Law and regulations which reflect on mine victims are under the authority of Entities and Brčko District, and they are more and more in accordance with approaches to disabled persons in the countries of EU. Bosnia and Herzegovina within its constitutional frames provides protections for persons who need it, primarily disabled persons, between them civilian war victims, i.e. mine victims. In both Entities, there are Funds for Professional Rehabilitation and Employment for disabled. Based on the health care regulations, conditions were secured and defined through these funds for the realisation of rights and benefits, with the aim to improve professional rehabilitation and employment of disabled persons, regardless of the cause of their disability. There are various projects supported by the Government sector but also by activities of the NGO's which work on projects of economical re-socialisation and mine victims reintegration, along with their families. We must point out that general decrease in international financial aid reflects to the decrease in mine victim assistance and reduction of NGO sector activities in Bosnia and Herzegovina related to mine victims.

10. Does your country require assistance in mine clearance, stockpile destruction, mine awareness and/or victim assistance? If so, please describe.

In 2022, the suspected hazardous area in Bosnia and Herzegovina was reduced by 52,74 km². Through non-technical methods (systematic and general non-technical survey) by the BiH Mine Action Center cancelled 3.61 km². Technical reduction methods cover an area of 49.13 km² through: cancelled ara on MSA 38.10 km², reduced area on MSA 8,26 km², technical survey (classic tasks) 1,86 km², and mine clearance (classic tasks) 0.91 km².

In Bosnia and Herzegovina in 2022, a total of 3.527 mines were found and removed, of which 3.525 anti-personnel mines, 2 anti-tank mines, 1.599 pieces of cluster munitions and 6.288 pieces of UXO. We estimate that the remaining number of expected mines in BiH is 1-1.4-1.

In 2022, according to available Mine Action Centre in BiH, funds totalling 31.653.180 BAM plan. National resources totalled 16.302.532 BAM, and international (donors'), 15.350.648 BAM.

In 2022, Bosnia and Herzegovina had accredited 24 mine action organizations, of which: 10 commercial organizations, 9 non-governmental organizations and 5 governmental organizations (Armed Forces of BiH. Federal Administration of Civil Protection, Republic Administration of Civil Protection of Republic of Srpska, Civil Protection of Brcko District and Red Cross of BiH). Within accredited organisations, 1.017 persons were engaged who possess the accreditation and licence for work in mine action activities, i.e. 717 deminers and 300 persons authorised for the conduct of managerial and supervision tasks (team leaders, site leaders, operational officers, quality assurance officers, EDD teams trainers, dog handlers, operators etc.).

Bosnia and Herzegovina has necessary human and technical resources for the conduct of humanitarian demining operations and other mine action, but it requires aid in securing the firm and continuous financing for the conduct of stated operations.

11. Does your country have the capacity to assist others in mine action? If so, please describe.

YES. To the international community involved with mine action BHMAC can offer the following:

- Assistance during the organization of national mine action centres,
- Laws, by-laws and normative regulations,
- Establishment of mine information system and geoinformation system, digitalisation of maps.
- Planning system preparation of national programmes and operative plans,
- Definition of suspected hazardous area and marking,
- Quality assurance and quality control over humanitarian demining operations,
- Education of humanitarian demining executors (deminers, auxiliary workers and management)
- Mine risk education, primarily local population and children,
- Mine victim assistance.

OSCE QUESTIONNAIRE ON EXPLOSIVE REMNANTS OF WAR To be submitted on a voluntary basis along with the OSCE Questionnaire on Anti-personnel Mines no later than 31 May each year.

1. Has your country notified the Depositary of its consent to be bound by the 2003 CCW Protocol V on Explosive Remnants of War (ERW) once it enters into force? Is your country considering doing so?

Yes

2. If yes, at what stage is the process?

Please find attached Annual report for 2022 with all relevant information on questions related to the CCW Protocol V on Explosive Remnants of War (ERW).

3. Would your country be interested in receiving assistance in clearing or otherwise minimizing the risks and effects of ERW? If so, please describe.

No

4. Does your country have the capacity to assist others in clearing and minimizing the risks and effects of ERW? If so, please describe.

Accredited organizations for EOD operations in Bosnia and Herzegovina as part of the Mine Action system already have significant role in various international projects and forms of cooperation, especially throughout the region of SE Europe. Bosnia and Herzegovina can offer experience know-how in various aspects of Mine Action.

PROTOCOL ON PROHIBITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF MINES, BOOBY-TRAPS AND OTHER DEVICES, AS AMENDED ON 3 MAY 1996, ANNEXED TO THE CONVENTION ON PROHIBITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WHICH MAY BE DEEMED TO BE EXCESSIVELY INJURIOUS OR TO HAVE INDISCRIMINATE EFFECTS (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996)

REPORTING FORMATS

for Article 13 paragraph 4 and Article 11 paragraph 2

NAME OF THE HIGH	
CONTRACTING PARTY:	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
DATE OF SUBMISSION:	29.03.2023.
NATIONAL POINT(S) OF	
CONTACT:	Ministry of Civil Affairs of BH / The
	Demining Commission of BH /BHMAC, Trg BiH 1 Sarajevo Tel/ Fax. No. +387 33 445 082/+387 33 206 466/+387 33 253
	800
	Ministry of Defense BH /00 387 33 285 500/ 00 387 206 094
	(Organization, telephones, fax, e-mail)

This information can be available to other interested parties and relevant organizations:

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YES

NO

Partially, only the following forms:

Form A	Dissemination of information				
Article 13, paragraph 4 (a)		High Contracting Parti	es shall provide	annual reports to the	
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INFORMATION TO THE ARMED FORCES:

BH Armed Forces have been aware of Amended Protocol II of the CCW. Members of the BH Armed Forces through the individual and collective training given basic knowledge of international humanitarian law and the law of armed conflict, including international agreements ratified by B&H.

Representatives of the Armed Forces at the proposal of the Ministry of Defense of BiH participate in the work of expert teams dealing with solving UXO and demining of minefields.

INFORMATION TO THE CIVILIAN POPULATION:

Bosnia and Herzegovina ratified Amended Protocol II and it is published on all mine action related internet sites, containing BH reports and is therefore, in the public domain. Also MRE activities include information to the civilian population.

MRE is conducted through public information, education of population and connect with the impact communities by BHMAC and accredited organizations for mine risk education. For school-age children information about mine danger spread through the implementation of the curriculum.

In order to warn the population on mine danger BHMAC continuously performs put or renovation mine warning signs.

The action of the BH Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina on the dissemination of information among the civilian population takes place over a demining battalion of the BH Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina through the activities of MRE why the BH Armed Forces are accredited.

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AMENDED PROTOCOL II

Form B	Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes				
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MINE CLEARANCE PROGRAMMES:

Mine Action programme exists in Bosnia and Herzegovina since 1996. Mine clereance per year in square metres depends mostly on funds and resources available.

Threat is widespread mostly along the confrontation lines of former warring sides. Mine Action represent the re-establishment of safe environment in areas contaminated with mines and UXO, aiming to ensure safe environment and the economic development.

Mine Action is a activities with mines five main components:

- 1. Mine risk education
- 2. Humanitarian demining operations that include clearance of mines and UXO, all levels of survey, Quality Assurance and mapping
- 3. Landmine Victim Assistance
- 4. AP mines stockpiles destruction
- 5. Advocacy

BHMAC is conducting Quality Assurance in demining testing of metal detectors, MDD teams and ground preparation machines for clearance and technical survey, Risk Area Permanent Marking and all levels of survey.

Various training courses of demining structure are conducted regularly, as well as mine risk education activities coordinated by the BHMAC.

In 2022, total cleared area of 49,13 km2, 3,529 mines and 6,288 pieces of ERW were found and destroyed during the stated operations.

REHABILITATION PROGRAMMES:

VICTIM ASSISTANCE

In 2020, The coordinating body for the assistance to victims of mines, cluster munitions and ERW was established by the Decision of the BiH Ministry Council. The mandate of the coordination body has expired in the middle of 2022, we expect the renewal of the mandate this year.

In 2022, the Organization of amputees UDAS Republic of Srpska realized the project for mine victims in BiH "Beekeeping as a Tool of Empowering of Mine Victims in BiH - phase 2". The project was financed and supported by: ITF Slovenia, Beekeeping Academy of Slovenia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Slovenia, and the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management of Republic of Srpska. The educational training in beekeeping for mine victims was held for 30 survivors from seventeen (17) towns in Bosnia and Herzegovina, who work in beekeeping and plan to start their own business in the area. The aim of the training was to enable mine victims to run small businesses in beekeeping, and to establish the best way of networking for all mine victims who work in beekeeping. In 2022, and with financial assistance of USA Government, the Mine Detection Dogs Center in BiH ensured aid in manufacturing of femoral and tibial prosthetics for ten (10) persons from Sarajevo, Trnovo, Tuzla, Vojkovići, and Bihać. The project will continue in 2023. The Government of The Federal Republic of Germany ensured funds for the manufacture of sixteen (16) pieces of prosthetics and fourteen (14) additional silicon liners for persons from East Sarajevo, Pale, Doboj East, Tešanj, Maglaj, and Sarajevo. A total of twenty-six (26) prosthetics were made during 2022.

Through their project "Informal employment for greater economic independence of invalids of war and amputees" the UDAS association, with the assistance of the Fond for Professional Rehabilitation and Employment of Disabled Persons from Prijedor ensured the economic support in informal employment, the support for small business in agriculture for ten (10) mine victims users in Republic of Srpska. The support implied the acquisition of assets, machines, and tools (carpentry tools, machines, tools, beekeeping equipment, painter equipment, livestock, equipment for IT sector, equipment for car wash business, etc.) During 2022, a project "Greater Social Disability Inclusion" was realized with the support of The Ministry of Health and Social Welfare of the Republic of Srpska. Within this project, support was ensured for informal employment, small businesses in agriculture for eighty-four (84) users - mine victims in Republic of Srpska. The support implied the acquisition of equipment - machines, tools, greenhouses, milling machines, diggers, equipment for deep cleaning of cars, furniture etc. The partial reconstruction of a housing object was ensured for mine victims in Republic of Srpska, precisely for twenty (20) mine victims. This support implied the purchase of reconstruction materials. There are approximately forty (40) mine victim users who are in social need, and for whom the food packages were ensured.

MRE

In 2022, apart from BHMAC survey teams also demining oragnizations, organizations for mine risk education, EUFOR, and International Organization for Migration (IOM) took participation in this activity. The total number of mine educated persons was 37.767. Number of people received risk education during the reporting period excluding Media

Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Total
2.128	1.563	17.064	16.394	37.149
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2.738	1.571	17.064	16.394	37.767
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TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Bosnia and Herzegovina has taken all steps necessary to meet technical requirements of the Protocol. All mines booby traps and other devices in the inventory of BH Armed Forces comply fully with technical provisions of Amended Protocol II.

ANY OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION:

3,529 mines and 6,288 pieces of ERW, CBU 1.599 pieces, were found and destroyed during the stated operations.

The Mine Action Center in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BH MAC), the Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina (AF BiH) and the Norwegian People's Aid in Bosnia and Herzegovina (NPA BiH) as project partners, implemented activities within the project entitled: General Assessment of Mine Suspected Areas in Bosnia and Herzegovina 2018-2019 "funded by the European Union (EU) through the Instrument for Contribution to Stability and Peace (IcSP). During the project implementation period, the mine suspected area was reduced by 103 km2.

The project processed data for 143 municipalities. The mine danger was confirmed in 118 municipalities.

A register of evidence was formed with 13,116 formed folders of evidence divided into three categories. The eategorization was performed on the basis of whether the evidence is direct / indirect and whether it is locationally determined / indeterminate.

The existence of 180,000 mines has been estimated.

Through assessment and re-design, a total of 478 mine suspected areas (MSAs) were formed as logical territorial units for land reclamation tasks. The average size of newly

formed is 1.94 km2. 189 high-risk, 274 medium-risk and 15 low-risk were identified. An assessment of the level of risk impact for 1,421 vulnerable communities was performed. The starting point within this project was 1,369 vulnerable communities. However, through the General Assessment project, BH MAC received official settlement boundaries from the competent statistical institutions and corrected data on 1,421 vulnerable communities. It is estimated that 259 vulnerable communities have a high level of influence, 212 communities have a medium level and 950 communities have a low level. Data on 264,011 households in vulnerable communities were collected. Of that number, 32,109 households are exposed to direct risk. The total population living in vulnerable communities is 845,163 (92,817 boys, 87,990 girls, 328,842 men and 335,514 women). 132,803 inhabitants are directly endangered (14,611 boys, 13,772 girls, 49,073 men and 55,347 women).

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LEGISLATION:

Bosnia and Herzegovina Criminal Law has been annexed to accommodate ban of all the activities prohibited under the Convention.

Criminal Law of Bosnia and Herzegovina enter into force on 1st March 2003; Chapter XVI: Criminal acts against integrity of Bosnia and Herzegovina – Article 165; Chapter XVII: Criminal acts against humanitary and values protected under international law – Articles 193 and 193 a.

Law of Defense in BH

Demining Law in BH

Standards for humanitarian deminig in BH

Form E	International technical information exchange, cooperation on mine clearance, technical cooperation and assistance					
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INTERNATIONA	L COOPERATION ON MINE	CLEARAN	CE:			
						

TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE:

In January 2022, Mine Action Centre in Bosnia and Herzegovina, in cooperation with UNDP BH, organized the Workshop featuring the subject of improving the process of non-technical survey in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Through the experiences gained so far, the workshop enabled the improvement of future work which will become a lot simpler and more clearly define the process in the forthcoming period.

To fulfil the obligations under the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Landmines, and organized by the European Union Forces, a conference was held in February 2022 with the aim of defining the accurate locations containing cluster ammunition through planned projects, as well as of

assessment of operational and financial capacities for the implementation of this task. During April 2022, Mine Action Centre Bosnia and Herzegovina hosted the representatives of the The Implementation Support Unit of the Ottawa Convention in Mine Victims Assistance. The representatives of the Coordination Body for Mine Victims Assistance also attended the meeting where the topic was the Action Plan for Mine Victims Assistance, and inclusion of mine victims into social processes.

In April 2022, a regular session was held of the Mine Action Board, organized by the Ministry of Civil Affairs in BiH, and with the assistance of UNDP BiH. The importance of organizing these sessions was pointed out to enable clearly coordinated joint efforts of the international community and national institutions in the final elimination of mine risk, and in the creation of safe environment.

On April 4 which is the International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action, a media conference was held in Brčko District and once again it was pointed out that the threat of mines and ERW still exists, as well as the need for the allocation of more national money for this purpose. As a good example of the local community, District Brčko allocates

significant funds for demining due to realistic plan to make Brčko a mine-free city in the next two years.

On May 16, 2022, the representatives of Mine Action Centre in BiH participated at the Workshop on proactive transparency standards and the concept of open government. To contribute and advocate the transparency process, Mine Action Centre in BiH advocates dissemination of all available information at their official internet sites, to improve the quality of services offered and to satisfy the needs of the citizens.

In May 2022, the Mine Action Centre in BiH hosted the representatives of the The Romanian General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations. At the meeting it was discussed about possibilities for cooperation and offering assistance in capacity building for removal and destruction of unexploded explosive devices.

During May of 2022, representatives of BHMAC participated in the work of the international symposium "Mine Action 20222" in Vodice, Republic of Croatia. This year's symposium provided insight into the newest technologies and available methods such as training standards, research and development, as well as the presentation of the best practices from the area of Land Release.

At the the 25th Meeting of Mine Action Directors and United Nations Advisers held in Geneva, in June 2022, representatives of Mine Action Centre BiH participated by invitation of Implementation Support Unit of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Landmines and their Destruction. The HDP Nexus concept was presented during this meeting, according to which the mine action represents a vital element of nexus between peace, humanitarian work and development.

In December 2022, the representatives of Mine Action Centre BiH participated at the 29. Meeting of the S/E Europe Mine Action Coordination Council (SEEMACC), where the possibility of supporting capacities for regional cooperation was discussed through European Union mechanisms of funding.

In December 2022, NGO Norwegian People's Aid and Swiss Agency for development and cooperation organized a workshop on the topic of assessing the needs and planning the improvement of quality management capacities of the national mine action bodies. In December 2022 and with support of UNDP BiH and European Union Forces, Mine Action Centre in BiH celebrated twentieth anniversary of their existence, and twenty-five years since it signed the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production

and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Landmines and their Destruction. All the attendees had the opportunity to watch the movie "Mine-free country by 2027" while the donors received letters of appreciation for their contributions so far in the field of Mine Action. Also in December 2022, the representatives of Mine Centre BiH participated at the International Forum on Mine Action under the theme: Challenges and Opportunity, organized by ANAMA, the Azerbaijan National Mine Action Authority. This forum represented an exceptional opportunity to exchange experiences and discuss procedures and methods used during humanitarian demining field operations.

Form F	Othe	r relevant matters				
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Form G	Information to the UN-database on mine clearance				
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MEANS AND TECHNOLOGIES OF MINE CLEARANCE:

Mine clearance capacities included a complete equipment of 24 demining companies. They also need to have accreditation from BHMAC to perform such actions. All the employees that work in mine clearance are wearing protective equipment that consists of flack jacket with protection for groins and helmets with visors. For special cases of UXO demolition, companies use ballistic suits. Following equipment is in usage for humanitarian demining activities: 1134 metal detectors, 25 demining machines including all types (medium, light and heavy), excavators, machines for vegetation clearing and 40 mine detection dogs. In Bosnia, mine clearance actions are mostly performed as a combination of mechanical demining, manual detection and mine-searching dogs. BHMAC Standard operating procedures also prescribe the entire methodology of humanitarian demining activities.

LISTS OF EXPERTS AND EXPERT AGENCIES:

BHMAC:

Sasa Obradović, Acting Director, Damir Šišić, Deputy Director, Tarik Šerak, Heads offices Ranko Banjac, Heads offices Zoran Grujić, Heads offices

There are 24 accredited organizations for mine actions. All information about them we

have on our web page: www.bhmac.org

NATIONAL POINTS OF CONTACT ON MINE CLEARANCE:

MINISTRY OF DEFENSE OF BH MINISTRY OF CIVIL AFFAIRS OF BH THE DEMINIG COMMISSION OF BH BHMAC

BHMAC web site: www.bhmac.org

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CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE USE, STOCKPILING, PRODUCTION AND TRANSFER OF ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION

Reporting Formats for Article 7

STATE [PARTY]:

Bosnia and Herzegovina (annual report 2022)

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Form A National implementation measures

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

a) The national implementation measures referred to in Article 9."

Remark: In accordance with Article 9, "Each State Party shall take all appropriate legal, administrative and other measures, including the imposition of penal sanctions, to prevent and suppress any activity prohibited to a State Party under this Convention undertaken by persons or on territory under its jurisdiction or control".

State [Party]: Bosnia and Herzegovina reporting for time period from January 2022 to December 2022

Measures	Supplementary information (e.g., effective date of implementation & text of legislation attached).
No additional legal, administrative and other measures were taken during 2020 to prevent and suppress any activity prohibited under the Convention. Bosnia and Herzegovina Criminal Law has been annexed to accommodate ban of all the activities prohibited under the Convention.	Criminal Law of Bosnia and Herzegovina enter into force on 1 st March 2003. Chapter XVI: Criminal acts against integrity of Bosnia and Herzegovina – Article 165;
	Chapter XVII: Criminal acts against humanity and values protected under international law – Articles 193 and 193 a.

Form B Stockpiled anti-personnel mines

Article 7. 1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

b) The total of all stockpiled anti-personnel mines owned or possessed by it, or under its jurisdiction or control, to include a breakdown of the type, quantity and, if possible, lot numbers of each type of anti-personnel mine stockpiled."

State [Party]: Bosnia and Herzegovina reporting for time period from January 2022 to December 2022

Bosnia and Herzegovina does not own or possess stockpiled anti-personnel mines.

Bosnia and Herzegovina has destroyed all stocks of anti-personnel mines except those retained for training purposes as allowed in the Convention. This was reported in November 1999. Total destroyed 460.727 pieces AP mines.

1. Total of stockpiled anti-personnel mines

Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	•	
TOTAL	-			

2. Previously unknown stockpiles of anti-personnel mines discovered after the deadlines have passed. (Action #15 of Nairobi Action Plan) *

Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information
-		-	
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TOTAL	-	1111	

^{*} Pursuant to the decision of the 8MSP, as contained in paragraph 29 of the Final Report of the Meeting, document APLC/MSP.8/2007/6.

Form C Location of mined areas

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

c) To the extent possible, the location of all mined areas that contain, or are suspected to contain, anti-personnel mines under its jurisdiction or control, to include as much detail as possible regarding the type and quantity of each type of anti-personnel mine in each mined area and when they were emplaced."

State [Party]: Bosnia and Herzegovina reporting for time period from January 2022 to December 2022

No.	Administrative area	No of minefield records per Administrative level	No of minefield records per Entity/District	No of minefield records per State
1	Federation of BH		6.985	
1.	Central Bosnia Canton	1.185		
2.	Herzegovina-Neretva Canton	624		
3.	Posavina Canton	357		
4.	Sarajevo Canton	494		
5.	Canton no.10	277		
6.	Tuzla Canton	1.204		
7.	Una-Sana Canton	1.121		
8.	Zenica-Doboj Canton	1.511		
9.	Bosnian Podrinje Canton	211		
10.	West-Herzegovina Canton	1		
II	Republic of Srpska		2057	
Ш	Brcko District		163	
OTAL	Bosnia and Herzegovina			9.205

Collecting of minefield records in Bosnia and Herzegovina is permanent activities which conducted BHMAC.

1. Areas that contain mines*

Location	Туре	Quantity	Date of emplacement	Supplementary information
443 locations in Bosnia and Herzegovina	All types of AP mines	Estimation: 171,471 mines	1992-1995.	

2. Areas suspected to contain mines*

Location	Туре	Quantity	Date of emplacement	Supplementary information
1.421 contaminated communities in Bosnia and Herzegovina	All types of AP mines	Estimation: 171,471 mines	1992-1995.	Mine suspected area on the end of reporting period in Bosnia and Herzegovina is 869,61 km ² .
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^{*} If necessary, a separate table for each mined area may be provided

Canton	Number of confirmed hazardous areas (CHAs) containing antipersonnel mines	Area of CHA (m²)	Number of suspected hazardous areas (SHAs) that may contain <u>anti-</u> personnel mines	Area of SHA (m²)
UNSKO-SANSKI	120	2,455,601	509	84,334,399
POSAVSKI	3	255,060	163	14,584,940
TUZLANSKI	49	1,298,628	675	73,471,372
ZENIČKO-DOBOJSKI	39	1,457,650	572	108,242,350
BOSANSKO-PODRINJSKI	14	915,190	186	43,134,810
SREDNJEBOSANSKI	78	2,392,871	583	99,557,129
HERCEGOVAČKO- NERETVANSKI	64	2,566,992	941	131,073,008
ZAPADNOHERCEGOVAČKI	3	228,308	6	591,692
KANTON SARAJEVO	23	666,497	172	49,183,503
KANTON 10	26	631,640	356	61,898,360
REPUBLIKA SRPSKA	266	5,100,758	135	172,509,242
BRČKO DISTRIKT	5	197,383	2299	12,862,617
Totals	690	18,166,578	6,597	851,443,422

Area of CHA + area of SHA = 869,610,000 m² (the total suspected area at the end of 2022)

BHMAC continued work on commenced amendments and annexes for all chapters of Standard for Mine Action in Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Standing Operational Procedures for Humanitarian Demining.

In 2022, the suspected hazardous area was reduced by 52,74 km². Non-technical methods (systematic and general / non-technical survey) by the BiH Mine Action Center canceled 3,61 km². Technical reduction methods cover an area of 49,13 km² through: canceled area on MSA 38,10 km², reduced area on MSA 8,26 km², technical survey (classic tasks) 1,86 km², and mine clearance (classic tasks) 0.91 km².

In addition to the above, the completion and return of the area to the population for safe use, in 2022 the activities of the Mine Action Center were focused on opening new tasks and continuing the implementation of projects. With the review of the situation in January 2023, the implementation of twenty-five (25) MSAs with an area of 46 km², fifteen (15) individual tasks of technical survey and clearance. Also, in the past year, the activities of targeted and systematic investigation on 12 km² of mine suspected areas were completed.

The existance of 171,471 mines has been estimated

CLEARANCE	Number of tasks	Area (m2)	Cleared area (m2)	Participation of administrative level (%)
SREDNJO-BOSANSKI KANTON	3	40.321	40.321	17%
ZENIČKO-DOBOJSKI KANTON	1 2	24.325	24.325	10%
HERCEGOVAČKO-NERETVANSKI KANTON	10	0	0	0%
BOSANSKO-PODRINSKI KANTON	. 0	0	0	0%
POSAVSKI KANTON	0	0	0	0%
SARAJEVSKI KANTON	2	2.798	2.798	1%
KANTON 10	4	29.521	29.521	13%
UNSKO-SANSKI KANTON	8	121.679	121.679	52%
TUZLANSKI KANTON	3	14.369	14.369	6%
FEDERACIJA BIH	22	233.013	233.013	66%
REPUBLIKA SRPSKA	9	119.075	119.075	34%
BRČKO DISTRIKT	0	0	0	0%
BOSNA I HERCEGOVINA	31	352.088	352.088	100%

Results of clerance tasks in 2022

Adminstrative level/ organizations	Number of MSP	Released area km²	Cleared area m²	Number of mines found and destroyed	Number of UXOs found and destroyed
Tuzlanski kanton	2	3,046,421	25,680	158	42
Sarajevski kanton	1	2,425,228	5,079	19	4
Srednje-bosanski kanton	4	7,313,465	67,747	552	137
Zeničko-dobojski kanton	1	2,136,639	53,803	187	71
Unsko-sanski kanton	6	7,815,535	44,457	225	45
Hercegovačko-neretvanski kanton	3	4,311,285	94,913	248	22
Kanton 10	1	11,483,399	65,993	1,156	50
FEDERACIJA BIH	18	38,531,972	357,672	2,545	371
REPUBLIKA SRPSKA	5	8,414,759	212,995	635	97
BRČKO DISTRIKT	0	0	0	0	0
BOSNA I HERCEGOVINA	23	46,946,731	570,667	ALCO TED	
Oružane snage Bosne i Hercegovine (OS BiH)	5	15,594,691	95,070	1,317	93
Republička uprava civilne zaštite	2	3,469,767	61,342	114	36
"IN DEMINING" N.H.O.	1	2,425,228	5,079	19	4
The Mines Advissory Group-MAG	4	7,524,424	266,231	821	128
Norveška narodna pomoć (NPA)	6	10,932,431	109,476	773	133
Centar za obuku pasa (MDDC)	4	5,207,691	25,347	121	70
NGO Stop Mines	1	1,792,499	8,122	15	4
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Results of MSA projects in 2022

In 2022, 23 MSA were completed with the 46.496.731m². 3.180 pieces of AP mines and 468 pieces of UXO were found and destroyed. In the reporting period 31 clearance tasks were completed with the 352.088 m². 153 pieces of AP mines and 5.569 pieces of UXO were found and destroyed. Total number of AP mines found and destroyed is 3.527: 3.180 pieces AP mines (MSA tasks), 153 pieces AP mines (clerance task) and 194 (technical survey tasks). The average number of mines found per hectare is 39. Although the number of civilian casualties is decreasing, in 2022, one mine accident occurred. In the area of the town of Lukavac, a man, collecting firewood, activated a AP mine PROM-1 and died. It has been found that accident occurred in area marked with mine warning signs at a distance of about 20 m from the mine sign.

Form DAPMs retained or transferred

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

d) The types, quantities and, if possible, lot numbers of all anti-personnel mines retained or transferred for the development of and training in mine detection, mine clearance or mine destruction techniques, or transferred for the purpose of destruction, as well as the institutions authorized by a State Party to retain or transfer anti-personnel mines, in accordance with Article 3"

State [Party]: Bosnia and Herzegovina reporting for time period from January 2022 to December 2022

1a. Compulsory: Retained for development of and training in (Article 3, para.1)

As 31 December 2022, Bosnia and Herzegovina has retained 817 pieces AP mines for purposes permitted under Article 3 of the Convention (for training mine detection dogs, testing demining machines and education) as follows in the table below.

Institution authorized by State Party	Type	Quantity		Supplementary information		
	PMA-1	5				
	PMA-2	26		Polygon Barracks "Bozan Simovic"-Capljina		
ARMED FORCES BIH	PMA-3	17	Poly			
	PMR-2A	16		Polygon Kasarna Rajlovac		
	PROM-1	10				
	PMA -1	2	Training polygon	Warehouse MDDC Borci, Konjic		
MBDG			2			
MDDC	PMA-2	8	6	2		
	PMA-3	4	3	1		
	PMR-2A					
	PROM-1					
The Mines Advisory Group Predstavništvo u BiH-MAG	PMA-2	10	Training polygon Rakovac Pale			
DAT MACO	PMA-3	5				
REPUBLIC ADMINISTRATION OF CIVIL	PMA-2	4				
PROTECTION OF REPUBLIC OF SRPSKA	PMR-2A	1		Office		

ВНМАС	PMA-1	25	Polygon Barracks "Bozan Simovic"- Capljina	Polygon-Tilava (E.SA)		BHMAC (Sarajevo)
			11	14		Î
	PMA-2	35	11	14		10
	PMA-3	46	20	26		
	PMR-2A	10				10
	PROM-1	21	9	12		-6
	PMA-1	21	Polygo	on Rakovac,	Pale	Warehouse
			21			1
	PMA-2	53		49 4		4
STOP MINES	PMA-3	22		21		1
	PMR-2A	17		17		t
	PMR-3	1		1		
	PROM-1	7		7		
	PMA-2	10				
CHR d.o.o	PMA-3	8		Warehouse (Ortijes-Mukos	a Mostar
CHK G.O.O	PMR-2A	17		Traitificase (Ortifes Withou	m, 1711/15141
	PROM-1	8				
	PMR-2A	4				
	PMA-2	2				
	PMA -3	7		Training p	olygon Tolisa,	Orasje
N&N IVSA	PROM-1	1				
	PMA-1	8				

	PMA-2	4			
UEM d.o.o	PMA-1	4	Training	Polygon Vron	nici Hadzici
UEW G.O.O	PMR-2A	4	Training Polygon Vrancici, Hadzici		
	PMA-3	3			
	PMA-1	2			
TRENING TIM VOGOŠĆA	PMA-2	14	Training	Polygon Suho	dol Hadžići
	PMA-3	4			
	PMA-1	5			
	PMA-2	14			
DETEKTOR	PMA-3	6	Training Po	lygon Bukovio	a, Banja Luka
	PMR-2A	10			
		2			
NPA	PMA-1	59	Training Polygon Ortiješ, Mostar	Training Polygon Blagovac, Vogosca	Training polygons: kasarna OSBiH Railovac
			19	23	17
	PMA-2	81	26	29	26
	PMA-3	99	28	35	36
	PMR-2A	57	17	16	24
	PMR 2A-ČAPLJINKA	5	3	2	
TOTAL	817				

In November 1999 BiH reported UN General Secretary that it destroyed all the stockpiles of mines, i.e. 460.727 pieces

1b.	Voluntary	information	(Action	#54 of	Nairobi Action Plan)

Objectives	Activity / Project	Supplementary information (Description of programs or activities, their objectives and progress, types of mines, time period if and when appropriate)
	-	"Information on the plans requiring the retention of mines for the development of and training in mine detection, mine clearance, or mine destruction techniques and report on the actual use of retained mines and the results of such use"

NOTE: Each State Party should provide information on plans and future activities if and when appropriate and reserves the right to modify it at any time

Form D (continued)

No anti-personnel mines were transferred during the previous calendar year for permitted purposes.

2. Compulsory: Transferred for development of and training in (Article 3, para.1)

Institution authorized by State Party	Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information: e.g. transferred from, transferred to
		-	-	-
TOTAL				

3. Compulsory: Transferred for the purpose of destruction (Article 3, para.2)

Institution authorized by State Party	Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information: e.g. transferred from, transferred to
•	-	-	•	
			•	•
TOTAL		-		

Form E Status of programs for conversion or de-commissioning of APM production facilities

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

e) The status of programs for the conversion or de-commissioning of anti-personnel mine production facilities."

State [Party]: Bosnia and Herzegovina reporting for time period from January 2022 to December 2022

Bosnia and Herzegovina has no additional information on the conversion or decommissioning of APM product facilities.

Indicate if to "convert" or "decommission"	Status (indicate if "in process" or "completed")	Supplementary information
Within Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina: The Bugojno's factory has destroyed all of the equipment used in mine production. Factory itself has reorganized production and is not producing mines, nor is able to produce mines any more. "Igman Konjic" – Konjic, the factory is producing initial ammo but NOT AP mines. "Pobjeda" – Gorazde, the factory is producing initial explosives and ammo but NOT AP mines.	Within Republic Srpska, mine production factories did not exist before the war, or after.	To date the State Party of Bosnia and Herzegovina has completed the programme appertaining to the conversion or decommissioning of APM production facilities.

Form F Status	f programs for	destruction	of APMs
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Article 7.1	"Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General on: f) The status of programs for the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with Articles 4 and 5, including details of the methods will be used in destruction, the location of all destruction sites and the applicable safety and environmental standards to be observed."					
State [Party]:	Bosnia and Herzegovina	reporting for time period from	January 2022	to _	December 2022	
1. Status o	of programs for destruction of stockpiled AF	PMs (Article 4)				
The State Party of	of Bosnia and Herzegovina has destroyed al	l stocks of landmines except those retained f	or training purposes as	allowed	in the Convention, Article 4.	
	the status of programs including:					
Location of destruction sites			Details o	Details of:		
			Methods	Methods		
			Applicab	Applicable safety standards		
			Applicab	Applicable environmental standards		
2. Status of pro	ograms for destruction of APMs in mined ar	eas (Article 5)				
	the status of programs including:					
Location of destruction sites Destruction of mines and UXO is conducted on the discovery site or other placed envisaged for accordance with Standard for Mines and UXO Destruction in Bosnia and Herzegovina			Details of	Details of:		
Destruction of mines and UXO in Bosnia and Herzegovina is conducted by explosive charge			Methods	Methods		
Standards as specified in Standard for Mines and UXO Destruction in Bosnia and Herzegovina			Applicab	Applicable safety standards		
Standards in accordance with Standard for Mines and UXO Destruction in Bosnia and Herzegovina			Applicabl	Applicable environmental standards		

Form GAPMs destroyed after entry into force

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"Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

g) The types and quantities of all anti-personnel mines destroyed after the entry into force of this Convention for that State Party, to include a breakdown of the quantity of each type of anti-personnel mine destroyed, in accordance with Articles 4 and 5, respectively, along with, if possible, the lot numbers of each type anti-personnel mine in the case of destruction in accordance with Article 4"

State [Party]:

Bosnia and Herzegovina

reporting for time period from

January 2022

December 2022

The State Party of Bosnia and Herzegovina has completed the destruction of APMs in accordance with Article 4 of the Convention.

	Quantity	TOTAL	Total per group
AP mines destroyed by BH Armed Forces:		1,328	
Deminers of BH Armed Forces	1,328		
Mine clearance			
Teams of Civil Protections		893	
Civil Protections, NPA + (Other demining companies) - mine-explosive devices collected as UXO	116.601+ (6.288)		122,889
Demining teams (Non-governmental organization and commercial companies)		1,306	
Total:		3,527	3,527

1. Destruction of stockpiled APMs (Article 4)

Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information		
	-		-		
TOTAL	-				

2. Destruction of APMs in mined areas (Article 5)

Туре	Quantity	Supplementary information	
APMs	3.527	-	
		-	
TOTAL	3.527		

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There have been no new discoveries of AP mines in Bosnia and Herzegovina after deadline expiration.

3. Previously unknown stockpiles of anti-personnel mines discovered and destroyed after the deadlines have passed. (Action #15 of Nairobi Action Plan)*

Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)		,
•	-	-	-	f
-	-	-	•	
TOTAL				

Form H Technical characteristics of each type produced/owned or possessed

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

h) The technical characteristics of each type of anti-personnel mine produced, to the extent known, and those currently owned or possessed by a State Party, giving, where reasonably possible, such categories of information as may facilitate identification and clearance of anti-personnel mines; at a minimum, this information shall include the dimensions, fusing, explosive content, metallic content, colour photographs and other information which may facilitate mine clearance"

State [Party]:	Bosnia and Herzegovina	reporting for time period from	January 2022	to	December 2022

Bosnia and Herzegovina has no additional information on the technical characteristic of anti/personnel mines owned or possessed. Technical characteristics of each AP mine produced ALL DETAILS SUBMITTED IN OUR 2000 REPORT.

1. Technical characteristics of each APM-type produced

Type Dimensions	Fusing	Explos	Explosive content		Color	Supplementary information to	
			type	grams	content	photo attached	facilitate mine clearance.
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	**

The State Party of Bosnia and Herzegovina has destroyed all stocks of landmines except those retained for training purposes as allowed in the Convention.

^{*} Pursuant to the decision of the 8MSP, as contained in paragraph 29 of the Final Report of the Meeting, document APLC/MSP.8/2007/6.

2. Technical characteristics of each APM-type currently owned or possessed

			Explosive c	ontent	Metallic	Color photo	Supplementary information to	
Type	Dimensions (cm)	Fusing	type	grams	content	attached	facilitate mine clearance.	
PMA-1	Rectangle 14*7*3	No fuse	Pressed trotyl (TNT)	200	No	Yes		
PMA-2	6,5*33*2,7 Cylinder	No fuse	Pressed trotyl (TNT)	70	No	Yes		
PMA-3	10,4*4 Cylinder	No fuse	Pressed trotyl (TNT)	35	No	Yes		
PMR-2A	Cylinder 6,5*13,2	No fuse	Pressed trotyl (TNT)	100	Yes	Yes	Mines are buried in polygons for testing	
PROM-1	Cylinder 7,5*15,5*10	No fuse	Pressed trotyl (TNT)	420	Yes	Yes		
MRUD	Fragmentation plate with 650 steel balls with diameter of 5,5 mm (23*10*5)	No fuse	Plastic	900	Yes	Yes		

Form I Measures to provide warning to the population

- Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:
 - i) The measures taken to provide an immediate and effective warning to the population in relation to all areas identified under paragraph 2 of Article 5."

Remark: In accordance with Article 5, para.2: "Each State Party shall make every effort to identify all areas under its jurisdiction or control in which antipersonnel mines are known or suspected to be emplaced and shall ensure as soon as possible that all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under its jurisdiction or control are perimeter-marked, monitored and protected by fencing or other means, to ensure the effective exclusion of civilians, until all antipersonnel mines contained therein have been destroyed. The marking shall at least be to the standards set out in the Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices, as amended on 3 May 1996, annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects".

State [Party]:	Bosnia and Herzegovina	reporting for time period from	January 2022	to	December 2022

In 2022, mine/ERW/cluster munition awareness activities were continuously conducted through public information, education of at-risk groups of the population and liaison of mine action and the MSA community. The focus of mine/ERW/cluster munition awareness was the conduct of activities in the MSA communities with large suspect area, i.e. the focus was the most at-risk groups of population. In the reporting period, mine/ERW/cluster munition awareness projects are completed, and 37.767 persons were educated about mine threat.

Number of people received risk education at least once during the reporting period excluding Media	Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Unknown	Total
Local civilian	2.128	1.563	17.064	16.394	0	37.149
Refugee	610	8	0	0	0	618
	2.738	1.571	17.064	16.394	0	37.767

Location name	Task	Organisation	Administrative level	Number of persons
Brčko Sjever 1, KM Parcela KO Mionica, MSP Šamac, MSP Brčko zapad, KM Tuholj, KM Kladanj centar, MSP Japaga- Han Pijesak, MSP Lopare 2, MSP Vitinica, MSP Zečija Kosa, KM Bešići/ Munjača, KM Kozila Petrovac.	MRE - MSAs	NPA	ВіН	3,491
MRE Campaign in primary schools	MRE	BHMAC - Primary schools	BiH	9,122
Mis li Mine	MRE	BH Red cross society	BiH	10,000
MRE Migrants population	MRE	IOM	BIH	618
Brčko District	MRE	Posavina bez mina	BD	200
EUFOR	MRE	EUFOR	BiH	14,336
			TOTAL:	37,767

Based on the knowledges about illegal migration on the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and due to increased migrations through BiH, Mine Action Centre BiH organized theme meetings about the issue in cooperation with Border Police of BiH, Norwegian People's Aid (NPA), International Red Cross Committee and Red Cross Society, all in order to preventively take measures of warning migrants about the threats of mines/ERW/cluster munition.

Form J Other relevant matters

Remark: States Parties may use this form to report voluntarily on other relevant matters, including matters pertaining to compliance and implementation not covered by the formal reporting requirements contained in Article 7. States Parties are encouraged to use this form to report on activities undertaken with respect to Article 6, and in particular to report on assistance provided for the care and rehabilitation, and social and economic reintegration, of mine victims.

State [Party]: Bosnia and Herzegovina reporting for time period from January 2022 to December 2022

[Narrative / reference to other reports:]

Bosnia and Herzegovina is able to share expertise and experience in Mine Action. Bosnia and Herzegovina is not a position to provide financial assistance to other State Party.

MINE VICTIM ASSISTANCE

In 2022, the Organization of amputees UDAS Republic of Srpska realized the project for mine victims in BiH "Beekeeping as a Tool of Empowering of Mine Victims in BiH – phase 2". The project was financed and supported by: ITF Slovenia, Beekeeping Academy of Slovenia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Slovenia, and the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management of Republic of Srpska. The educational training in beekeeping for mine victims was held for 30 survivors from seventeen (17) towns in Bosnia and Herzegovina, who work in beekeeping and plan to start their own business in the area. The aim of the training was to enable mine victims to run small businesses in beekeeping, and to establish the best way of networking for all mine victims who work in beekeeping.

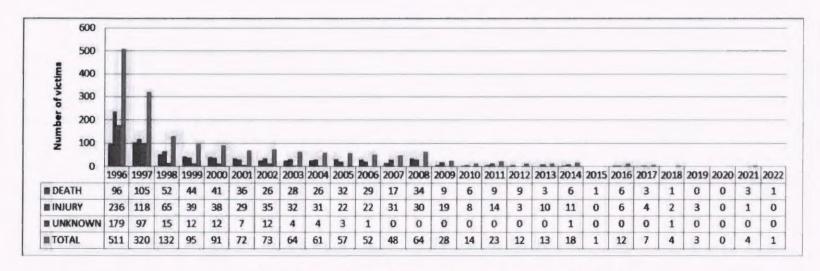
In 2022, and with financial assistance of USA Government, the Mine Detection Dogs Center in BiH ensured aid in manufacturing of femoral and tibial prosthetics for ten (10) persons from Sarajevo, Trnovo, Tuzla, Vojkovići, and Bihać. The project will continue in 2023. The Government of The Federal Republic of Germany ensured funds for the manufacture of sixteen (16) pieces of prosthetics and fourteen (14) additional silicon liners for persons from East Sarajevo, Pale, Doboj East, Tešanj, Maglaj, and Sarajevo. A total of twenty-six (26) prosthetics were made during 2022.

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Statistical review of mine/ERW/cluster munitions victims

ANNEX 1 - PHOTOGRAPHS OF AP MINES IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

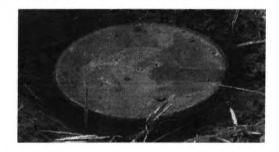
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FORMA: Steps taken to implement Article 3 of the Protocol:Clearance, removal or destruction of explosive remnants of war

High Contracting Party: Bosnia	and Herzegovina		
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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 3:

The current size of mine suspect hazardous area in BIH is 869,64km2 1,69% in relation to total area of BiH.

Current size of cluster munition suspect hazardous area in BiH is 0,4 km2.

The Mine Action Center in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BH MAC), the Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina (AF BiH) and the Norwegian People's Aid in Bosnia and Herzegovina (NPA BiH) as project partners, implemented activities within the project entitled: "General Assessment of Mine Suspected Areas in Bosnia and Herzegovina 2018-2019 "funded by the European Union (EU) through the Instrument for Contribution to Stability and Peace (IcSP). During the project implementation period, the mine suspected area was reduced by 103 km2.

The project processed data for 143 municipalities. The mine danger was confirmed in 118 municipalities.

A register of evidence was formed with 13,116 formed folders of evidence divided into three categories. The categorization was performed on the basis of whether the evidence is direct / indirect and whether it is locationally determined / indeterminate.

The existence of 180,000 mines has been estimated.

Through assessment and re-design, a total of 478 mine suspected areas (MSAs) were formed as logical territorial units for land reclamation tasks. The average size of newly formed is 1.94 km2. 189 high-risk, 274 medium-risk and 15 low-risk were identified.

An assessment of the level of risk impact for 1,421 vulnerable communities was performed. The starting point within this project was 1,369 vulnerable communities. However, through the General Assessment project, BH MAC received official settlement boundaries from the competent statistical institutions and corrected data on 1,421 vulnerable communities.

It is estimated that 259 vulnerable communities have a high level of influence, 212 communities have a medium level and 950 communities have a low level.

Data on 264,011 households in vulnerable communities were collected. Of that number, 32,109 households are exposed to direct risk. The total population living in vulnerable communities is 845,163 (92,817 boys, 87,990 girls, 328,842 men and 335,514 women). 132,803 inhabitants are directly endangered (14,611 boys, 13,772 girls, 49,073 men and 55,347 women).

Bosnia and Herzegovina Mine Action Standards divide responsibility for removal of mines and ERW as follows:

Demining teams:

AP and AT mines, hand-grenades, rifle grenades, artillery shell – bullets and mortar grenades caliber below 82 mm;

EOD teams:

All types of artillery shells, aerial bombs and mortar grenades caliber above 82 mm, all type of rockets, all types of ammunition, including cluster bombs KB-1 and KB-2, any composite designed and unrecognisable UXO (with chemical, biological, flare, smoke or other charge) or booby-traps, as well as any other UXO suspected to have piezoelectric fuse.

Destruction of ERW in Bosnia and Herzegovina is conducted exclusively by detonations. All ERW is destroyed on-site where it was found, except if jeopardizes people or in a case of unacceptable material damage that could not be prevented applying adequate protection measures. In 2022, there were 24 accredited organisations for mine action in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Out of this number, there are 5 government organisations (Armed Forces, Civil Protections from Federation and Republic of Srpska and Brcko District, along with the Red Cross Association for Bosnia and Herzegovina) 10 commercial organisations and 9 NGO's. Within accredited organisations, there are currently 1.017 persons engaged, all possessing accreditation for mine action and licence for work. Out of the total number, 717 trained deminers and 300 persons authorised for managerial and monitoring activities within mine action are engaged at the moment.

Accredited organisations currently dispose of following material and technical assets for humanitarian demining:

	25	machines;
_	23	macmines,

- 40 MDD teams for mine explosive search;
- 1134 metal detectors of various types for usage in humanitarian demining operations.

Results of demining teams in Bosnia and Herzegovina in 2022

AP mines AT mines ERW 3527 2 6288

Review of explosive remnants of war (ERW) removed in 2022 in Bosnia and Herzegovina 6288.

ORGANIZATION TYPE OF REMOVED ORDNANCES

	AP mines AT	mines	ERW
ARMED FORCES OF BIH	1382	0	5061
CIVIL PROTECTION OF FBIH	63	0	225
CIVIL PROTECTION OF RS	135	0	42
STOP MINES	68	0	175
IN DEMINING	44	0	5
N&N IVŠA	74	2	393
POINT doo	10	0	6
DETEKTOR	55	0	41
UEM d.o.o	23	0	9
MAG	821	0	128
Centar za obuku pasa za otkrivanje mina u BiH	121	0	70
NORWEGIAN PEOPLES AID (NPA)	773	0	133
TOTAL	3527	2	6288

		CP of FBIH	CP of RS	NPA	TOTAL
Mines	AP mines	519	158		677
	AT mines	133	16		149
ERW	Hand granades	0	1243		1243
	Rifle granades	0	0		0
	Rockets, RB and RPG mines	0	78		78
	Mortar bombs	0	40		40
	Artillery granades and projectils	0	90		90
	Other	2818	66		2884
	Cluster munitions/submunitions	552	0	1047	1599
Fuzes	Fuzes	309	650		959
Ammu	nition < 20 mm	26464	84291		110755

Any other relevant information:

Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina carry out operations of ERW removal with app. 25% of capacities engaged in Bosnia and Herzegovina. They have following resources: 32 manual demining teams, 9 squads for mechanical soil preparation, 8 squads with dogs for detection of explosive 6 general reconnaissance team.

FORMB: Steps taken to implement Article 4 of the Protocol: Recording, retaining and transmission of information

High Contracting Party: Bosnia and Herzegovina

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 4 and the Technical Annex:

In January 2022, Mine Action Centre in Bosnia and Herzegovina, in cooperation with UNDP BH, organized the Workshop featuring the subject of improving the process of non-technical survey in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Through the experiences gained so far, the workshop enabled the improvement of future work which will become a lot simpler and more clearly define the process in the forthcoming period.

To fulfil the obligations under the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Landmines, and organized by the European Union Forces, a conference was held in February 2022 with the aim of defining the accurate locations containing cluster ammunition through planned projects, as well as of assessment of operational and financial capacities for the implementation of this task.

During April 2022, Mine Action Centre Bosnia and Herzegovina hosted the representatives of the The Implementation Support Unit of the Ottawa Convention in Mine Victims Assistance. The representatives of the Coordination Body for Mine Victims Assistance also attended the meeting where the topic was the Action Plan for Mine Victims Assistance, and inclusion of mine victims into social processes.

In April 2022, a regular session was held of the Mine Action Board, organized by the Ministry of Civil Affairs in BiH, and with the assistance of UNDP BiH. The importance of organizing these sessions was pointed out to enable clearly coordinated joint efforts of the international community and national institutions in the final elimination of mine risk, and in the creation of safe environment.

On April 4 which is the International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action, a media conference was held in Brčko District and once again it was pointed out that the threat of mines and ERW still exists, as well as the need for the allocation of more national money for this purpose. As a good example of the local community, District Brčko allocates significant funds for demining due to realistic plan to make Brčko a mine–free city in the next two years.

On May 16, 2022, the representatives of Mine Action Centre in BiH participated at the Workshop on proactive transparency standards and the concept of open government. To contribute and advocate the transparency process, Mine Action Centre in BiH advocates dissemination of all available information at their official internet sites, to improve the quality of services offered and to satisfy the needs of the citizens.

In May 2022, the Mine Action Centre in BiH hosted the representatives of the The Romanian General Inspectorate for Emergency Situations. At the meeting it was discussed about possibilities for cooperation and offering assistance in capacity building for removal and destruction of unexploded explosive devices.

During May of 2022, representatives of BHMAC participated in the work of the international symposium "Mine Action 20222" in Vodice, Republic of Croatia. This year's symposium provided

insight into the newest technologies and available methods such as training standards, research and development, as well as the presentation of the best practices from the area of Land Release. At the the 25th Meeting of Mine Action Directors and United Nations Advisers held in Geneva, in June 2022, representatives of Mine Action Centre BiH participated by invitation of Implementation Support Unit of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Landmines and their Destruction. The HDP Nexus concept was presented during this meeting, according to which the mine action represents a vital element of nexus between peace, humanitarian work and development.

In December 2022, the representatives of Mine Action Centre BiH participated at the 29. Meeting of the S/E Europe Mine Action Coordination Council (SEEMACC), where the possibility of supporting capacities for regional cooperation was discussed through European Union mechanisms of funding.

In December 2022, NGO Norwegian People's Aid and Swiss Agency for development and cooperation organized a workshop on the topic of assessing the needs and planning the improvement of quality management capacities of the national mine action bodies. In December 2022 and with support of UNDP BiH and European Union Forces, Mine Action Centre in BiH celebrated twentieth anniversary of their existence, and twenty-five years since it signed the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Landmines and their Destruction. All the attendees had the opportunity to watch the movie "Mine-free country by 2027" while the donors received letters of appreciation for their contributions so far in the field of Mine Action.

Also in December 2022, the representatives of Mine Centre BiH participated at the International Forum on Mine Action under the theme: Challenges and Opportunity, organized by ANAMA, the Azerbaijan National Mine Action Authority.

This forum represented an exceptional opportunity to exchange experiences and discuss procedures and methods used during humanitarian demining field operations.

Any other relevant information:

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA MINE ACTION STRATEGY (2009-2019) is adopted by Council of Ministers during its 45th session, held on April 24, 2008 in Sarajevo.

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Mine Action Strategy 2018 - 2025 has been adopted on January 1st 2019, at the 165. Session of the Cuncil of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

FORMC: Steps taken to implement Article 5 of the Protocol: Other precautions for the protection of the civilian population, individual civilians and civilian objects from the risks and effects of explosive remnants of war

High Contracting Party: Bosnia and Herzegovina

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 5 and the Technical Annex:

In 2022, the Organization of amputees UDAS Republic of Srpska realized the project for mine victims in BiH "Beekeeping as a Tool of Empowering of Mine Victims in BiH – phase 2"". The project was financed and supported by: ITF Slovenia, Beekeeping Academy of Slovenia, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Slovenia, and the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management of Republic of Srpska. The educational training in beekeeping for mine victims was held for 30 survivors from seventeen (17) towns in Bosnia and Herzegovina, who work in beekeeping and plan to start their own business in the area. The aim of the training was to enable mine victims to run small businesses in beekeeping, and to establish the best way of networking for all mine victims who work in beekeeping.

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In 2022, 1 mine accident occurred, in which 1 person died.

Any other relev	ant informati	ion:			

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Reporting for time period from:	January	to	December 2019
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4. Prioritization of mine action to	Reports;		

FORME: Steps taken to implement Article 7 and Article 8 of the Protocol: Assistance with respect to existing explosive remnants of war and cooperation and assistance

High Contracting Party: Bosni	a and Herzegovina		
Reporting for time period from:	01.01.2022.	to	31.12.2022.
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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 7 and Article 8:

- In 1996, Mine Action Centre was established by United Nations (UNMAC) in order to build a local management structure and operational mine action capacity. In the mid 1998, local structure was established, comprising of the Entity Centers and one central Mine Action Centre (BHMAC). In the first phase, number of humanitarian demining organizations was increased, first national mine action standards were issued, and financial resources were improved, as well as professional training. The adoption of the Law on Demining in 2002, established a central structure, BHMAC at the state level, immediately under the Ministry of Civil Affairs.

Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction was signed on December 3, 1997, ratified on September 8, 1998 and put into force on March 1, 1999.

BiH has, together with another 14 countries, successfully presented the Request for the extension of Article 5 deadline at the 9th Meeting of the State Parties held in Geneva from November 24-28, 2008. Deadline extension was granted to BiH until year of 2019.

- Bosnia and Herzegovina ratified the Convention on Conventional Weapons (CCW) on September 1st, 1993.
- Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II to the 1980 Convention as amended on 3 May 1996) was ratified on September 7, 2000.
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- Convention on Cluster Munitions was signed on December 3, 2008 and ratified on September 7, 2010. In order to fulfil the obligations under Article 4 of the Convention in requested timeframe (18 months) from 1 March 2021 to 1 September 2022.

Bosnia and Herzegovina's duty under the Convention was to solve the problem of cluster munitions in 2021. But the problem in clearance of areas contaminated with cluster munitions was further complicated by COVID-19 global pandemic crisis that delayed the demining season normally set for March 1st, in line with the climate conditions. Similar to the rest of the world, Bosnia and Herzegovina was caught in COVID-19 pandemic which caused either a cessation of, or hindrance to the work of Bosnia and Herzegovina institutions. This reflected onto the process of mine action in Bosnia and Herzegovina in the period from March to June 2020, since Mine Action Centre BiH

worked with reduced capacities as well. In order to fulfil the obligations under Article 4 of the Convention in requested timeframe (12 months) from 1 September 2022 to 1 September 2023

Any other relevant information:

Co-operation on the level of foreign governments and embassies in BiH,

Co-operation with the European Union (EU) - IPA Program,

Co-operation in the framework of obligations and meetings related to the Ottawa Convention,

Co-operation with countries in the region in the framework of SEEMACC (South Eastern

European Mine Action Coordination Council),

Co-operation with the ITF,

Co-operation with UN organizations (UNDP, UNICEF) and the Geneva International

Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD),

Co-operation with International Red Cross Committee,

Co-operation with EUFOR,

Co-operation with all organizations and institutions involved in mine action activities in BiH.

We can offer the following forms of assistance to the international mine action community:

Establishment of the National mine action centre,

Legal, sublegal and normative regulations,

Establishment of mine information system,

Planning system - production of National strategies, annual and operative activity plans,

Education of executors of humanitarian demining operations, mine risk education,

General survey, definition of suspected hazardous area and education of survey teams.

FORME(a): Steps taken by States which have ERW victims to implement the relevant provisions of Article 8(2): Victim Assistance

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FORM F: Steps taken to implement Article 9 of the Protocol:Generic preventive measures

High Contracting Party: Bosnia and Herzegovina

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 9 and the Technical Annex:

a. Munitions manufacturing management We do not have information at our disposal.

b. Munitions management

Stockpiling and ammunition transport is done in accordance with Guidelines on Stockpiling and ammunition transport, prescribing conditions and measures for safe stockpiling and transport of explosive ordnances. Stockpiling and ammunition transport between military locations is under control of Armed forces. Armed forces do not carry out testing shootings because they do not have the permission for this purpose by NATO HQ and EUFOR. Laboratory research of stockpiled explosive ordnances is not done because BiH Armed Forces do not possess necessary equipment. Therefore, possibility of laboratory research in neighboring countries is being considered. We do not have at our disposal information on periodical test shootings or laboratory tests of stored explosive ordnances.

c. Training

Personnel involved in handling, transportation and use of explosive devices is trained and certificated.

d. Transfer

In the last 6 years there has not been any transfer of arms and ammunition with military stockpiles.

e. Future production

We do not have at our disposal information on experiments for improvement of trustworthiness of explosive ordnances for further production.

Any other relevant information:

In the period from August 2018 do May 2020, the project "General Assessment of suspect areas in BiH 2018-1019" was jointly conducted by Mine Action Centre in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Armed Forces BH and Norwegian People's Aid (NPA), while the realization of the said project was planned in the period from August 2018 to May 2020.

The project is financed by European Commission via emergency grants in the sum of EU 900.000, and it has been conducted by 14 nontechnical survey teams (9 from BHMAC, 2 from Armed Forces BH, and 3 from Norwegian People's Aid).

The aim of the project was the increase of efficiency in mine action in Bosnia and Herzegovina, through the implementation of improved general assessment of mine situation, and in order to set new basis through the use of nontechnical and technical survey.

This ensure a new basis for the realistic planning in mine action, and in order to create the plan for the realization of Mine Action Strategy 2018 - 2025 and was the basis for the preparation of the final request for the fulfilment of obligations pursuant to Article 5 of Ottawa Convention.

In the period from 28 – 30 January 2020, workshops were held "Defining productivity indicators and resources necessary to release land in BiH" and "Creation of mid-term action plan for land release in BiH". ".

Activities on the ground: cancelled SHA -16,57 km2; 15.569 evidence analyzed; 1151 minefield positions were corrected, 300 new minefield records were recorded, and status in the database is changed for 6023 minefield records.

FORMG: Steps taken to implement Article 11 of the Protocol: Compliance

High Contracting Party: Bosnia and Herzegovina

Reporting for time period from: 01.01.2022. to 31.12.2022.

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Steps taken to implement the provisions of Article 11:

Standard for mine/UXO clearance and standard for mine risk education as well as standard operational procedures for humanitarian demining and mine risk education in Bosnia and Herzegovina have been developed on the basis of the international mine action standards (IMAS). Chapter VI of Bosnia and Herzegovina Mine Action Standard (drafted on the basic of IMAS) defines removal of ERW in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

There were also established a draft of chapter XVI of Bosnia and Herzegovina Standard for mine/UXOs clearance referring to clearance and technical survey of cluster munitions, a draft of SOP for general survey and new draft of Regulations on issurance of editionals to BiH mine action organizations

Any other relevant information:

Bosnia and Herzegovina Ministry of Defense is willing, in law framework, and if necessary, to request through competent BH institution issuance of adequate instructions and operative procedures to improve expertise of employees in Ministry of Defense i.e. BH Armed Forces who attended training in accordance to provisions of this Protocol.

In the same time, in frame of our law competence, we confirm that we are ready for cooperation consulting with other parties in order to solve any problem that may arise in interpretation and appl method of this Protocol provisions.

High Contracting Party: Bosn	ia and Herzegovina		
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