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

**Reporting Formats for Article 7** 

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(ONLY FOR THE PURPOSES OF CLARIFICATION)

#### 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".

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Measures	Supplementary information (e.g., ef- fective date of implementation & text of legislation attached).
The Ottawa Convention was sanctioned (or promulgated) by Greece with Parliament Law 2999 of April 08, 2002 (Official Government Gazette issue #71) and became part of the internal Greek legislation. The Convention was ratified by Greece on 25 Sept. 2003 and entered into force on 01-03-2004 according to article 17 paragraph 2 of the Convention.	
If a member of the Greek military commits any action that could be judged as prohibited by the Convention, this would consist: (i) a grave disciplinary offense and (ii) a penal offense punishable under the provisions of the Greek Military Penal Code (MPC), namely insubordination (or disobedience) (art. 53) or breach of direct military order (art. 55) or breach of direct military order by negligence (art. 56), depending on the circumstances. For such an offense any member of the military can be brought before a military tribunal and a disciplinary board. The decision of the latter could even amount to the dismissal of the accused from the armed forces.	
If a civilian commits an action prohibited by the Convention, this could consist, depending on the cir- cumstances, a breach of art. 141 of the Penal Code (PC). Art. 141 of the PC intends to prohibit and punish any action against the external relations, the international status and obligations of the Hellenic State. The same action is punished even if it is committed by negligence by art. 142 of the PC. These two articles belong to a special chapter of the Penal Code entitled "treacherous acts against the State".	VOID
Any action prohibited by the Convention committed either by a member of the military or a civilian could also consist a breach of the provisions of Parliament Law 2168 of Sept. 03, 1993 regarding "the legal use and transfer of weapons, ammunition and explosive ordnance". In such a case, the member of the military or the civilian would be prosecuted for both the breach of the provisions of Law 2168 and the Military Penal Code or the Penal Code, accordingly.	
The above-mentioned crimes stipulated by Law 2168/03-09-1993 and the Penal Code are punishable as misdemeanors. The crimes stipulated by the Military Penal Code are punishable either as misdemeanors or felonies, depending on the circumstances.	

# 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."

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Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possible)	Supplementary information
M 2	204,565	VOID	VOID
DM 31	792,780	VOID	VOID
M 16	568,327	VOID	VOID
M 14	2,495	VOID	VOID
TOTAL	1.568,167		1

#### 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."

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1. Areas that contain mines

Location	Туре	Quantity	Date of emplacement	Supplementary information
-	-	0	-	-
	-	0	-	-
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2. Areas suspected to contain mines

Location	Туре	Quantity	Date of emplacement	Supplementary information
VOID				

#### Form D APMs 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"

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Institution authorized by State Lot # (if possible) Supplementary information Type Quantity Party Various Engineers training---VOID--ApM have been retained under units in certain locations all the Article 3 for training soldiers in M 14 3,047 mine detection and clearance and over Greece (under the intendance of the Engineers DM 31 1,286 canine detection. General Directorate of the M 2 1,445 --VOID----VOID--Army General Staff) M 16 380 TOTAL  $\rightarrow$ 6,158

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

#### 1b. Voluntary information (Action #54 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)
VOID	VOID	"Information on the plans requiring the retention of mines for the devel- opment of and training in mine detection, mine clearance, or mine destruc- tion techniques and report on the actual use of retained mines and the re- sults of such use"

# Form D (continued)

# 2. 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
[See previous page, under para 1a]	VOID	VOID	VOID	All mines retained for training pur- poses are kept in certain Army En- gineers training-units and are not transferred between them or else- where.
TOTAL	VOID	VOID		

# 3. 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
All APLs that come out of the ground during the demining works in Evros area are destroyed in situ.	VOID	VOID	VOID	All APLs that come out of the ground during the demining works in Evros area have been destroyed in situ. (Total 24.751)
APLs stockpiles are being transferred in Bulgaria for the	M2 DM 31	0		
purpose of destruction by a private contractor.	M16 M14	0	VOID	
			4	
	Total :	0		

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# 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."

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Indicate if to "convert" or "decom- mission"	Status (indicate if "in process" or "completed")	Supplementary information
VOID	VOID	Upon ratification of the Ottawa Convention, there
VOID	VOID	were not any anti-personnel mine production facili- ties whatsoever in Greece.

## Form F Status of programs for destruction of APMs

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 which will be used in destruction, the location of all destruction sites and the applicable safety and environmental standards to be observed."

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1. Status of programs for destruction of stockpiled APMs (Article 4)

Description of the status of programs including:	
Location of destruction sites	Details of:
The stockpiled Antipersonnel Mines (ApM) have been already gathered and transferred in	
26 final sites, from which they are being collected by the tendered company and transferred in Bulgaria, in order to be destructed by a subcontractor company.	Applicable safety standards
In the present phase 614,882 ApM have already been destroyed while a total amount of 614,882 ApM have been transferred in Bulgaria for the same purpose, since the beginning of the program.	Applicable environmental standards
Additionally 504 ApM M692 L have already been destroyed by NAMSA IN 2007.	

#### 2. Status of programs for destruction of APMs in mined areas (Article 5)

Description of the status of programs including:			
Location of destruction sites	Details of:		
All APLs that had come out of the ground during the demining works in Evros have been de- stroyed in situ for safety reasons	Methods		
	Applicable safety standards		
	Applicable environmental standards		

#### Form G APMs destroyed after entry into force

Article 7.1 "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"

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1. Destruction of stockpiled APMs (Article 4)

Туре	Quantity	Lot # (if possi- ble)	Supplementary information
M2	24,627		See above, Forms D & F.
DM 31	14,172	VOID	The 24,347 mines M16 destroyed during 2009 but the related documents were issued on 2010.
M16	39,035		the related documents were issued on 2010.
M14	200		
TOTAL AMOUNT	78,034		

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

Туре	Quantity	Supplementary information
-	0	-
-	0	
TOTAL	0	

## 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, metal-lic content, colour photographs and other information which may facilitate mine clearance"

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1. Technical characteristics of each APM-type produced

Туре	Type Dimensions Fusing		Explosive content		Metallic	Colour	Supplementary information
			type	Grams	content	photo attached	to facilitate mine clearance.
VOID	VOID	VOID	VOID	-VOID-	VOID	VOID-	VOID
				-		-	

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

		Fusing	Explosive co			Colour	Supplementary information	
71			type	Grams	content	photo at- tached	to facilitate mine clearance.	
M 16	H:14 cm D:10 cm	pressure – pull	TNT	453 grms	VOID	VOID	Jumping body cleared in the Evros Province. The other types of the stockpiled mines men- tioned in Form B have not been used and are safely kept away in special depositories.	
M 2	H:15.87 cm D:7.81 cm	pressure – pull	TNT	181,2 grms	VOID	VOID	Jumping body. — (See also suppl. info in the above cell)	

#### 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 anti-personnel 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 anti-personnel 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".

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#### [Narrative:]

All minefields along the border with Turkey in the Evros Province are clearly defined and marked, well above any standard established by Amended Protocol II and the relevant NATO STANAGs and don't include Antipersonnel Mines. All minefields have a double fence. Barbed wire was added to almost all the minefields of Evros. Mine casualties among illegal migrants trying to cross the border from Turkey are suffered from time to time because they are led to the border along river Evros at night and then instructed to ignore any mine fences and markings and walk into the Hellenic territory. Some times they are even aided in cutting the wire and led into minefields!. — Hellas offers, free of charge, health treatment through its National Health System to any person injured by landmines, irrespective of their legal status.

## 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.

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[Narrative / reference to other reports:]

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