

STATEMENT BY BRAZIL ON ARTICLE 3 (MINES RETAINED FOR TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT)

I would like to make a brief comment on the document submitted by the HRW on the issue of mines retained for trained and development.

Less than a comment, it is just a reflection.

It is about the 5% figure mentioned in the document.

The 5% figure must be also regarded with the goal of universalization of the Convention in mind.

5% of the original stocks of one of the main possessors would correspond to 5,5 million APLs.

In the case of another main possessor, this would correspond to 500 thousands APLs.

In another case, 5% would represent 300 thousands.

This figure of 5% should take into account the goal of the universalization of the Convention – a goal that we all share here.

I would invite all here to reflect on this in due time.