

# DRAFT PROGRAM OF THE DEMINING OF SOMALIA



# SOMALIA

- ★ 13 years of Civil War
- ★ More than 2,000,000 mines of various types
- ★ Every day there are reports about tragic incidents caused by land mines



**Mine clearing is one of the most urgent tasks of the all-inclusive government to be formed as a result of the**

**Somalia reconciliation process**

**Neither economic revival of Somalia, nor personal safety of citizens of Somalia can't be reached before the process of mine clearing is complete**

# The economy of Somalia is destroyed by civil war

**The liquidation of all land mines and all explosive objects will have tremendous economic effect**

- ★ each dollar spent for mine clearing yields about USD 6.40 in economic returns.
- ★ Cleared roads will provide some USD 250 000 in economic benefits per 50 km.

**15 clans and factions  
participants of IGAD peace  
process  
in Eldoret Mbagathi,  
Kenya,  
have joined  
GENEVA CALL in  
November, 2002**







**Despite some political differences  
between various groups and  
factions at Peace Conference,  
we all are united on the issue of  
urgent necessity of the demining of  
our Country**

- ★ **Mine clearance can and should begin now**
- ★ **Only fast demining of vast areas by foreign specialists could be a reliable solution of current situation in Somalia**





# National Sapper Corpse

- ★ Process should also include training programs for a contingent of the Somali sappers
- ★ However, the formation of this contingent will take time, (4 – 6 months)
- ★ National Sapper Corpse cannot be formed on any other basis, except the cornerstone principle of representation of every fraction involved in peace negotiations process.

# Major Difficulties

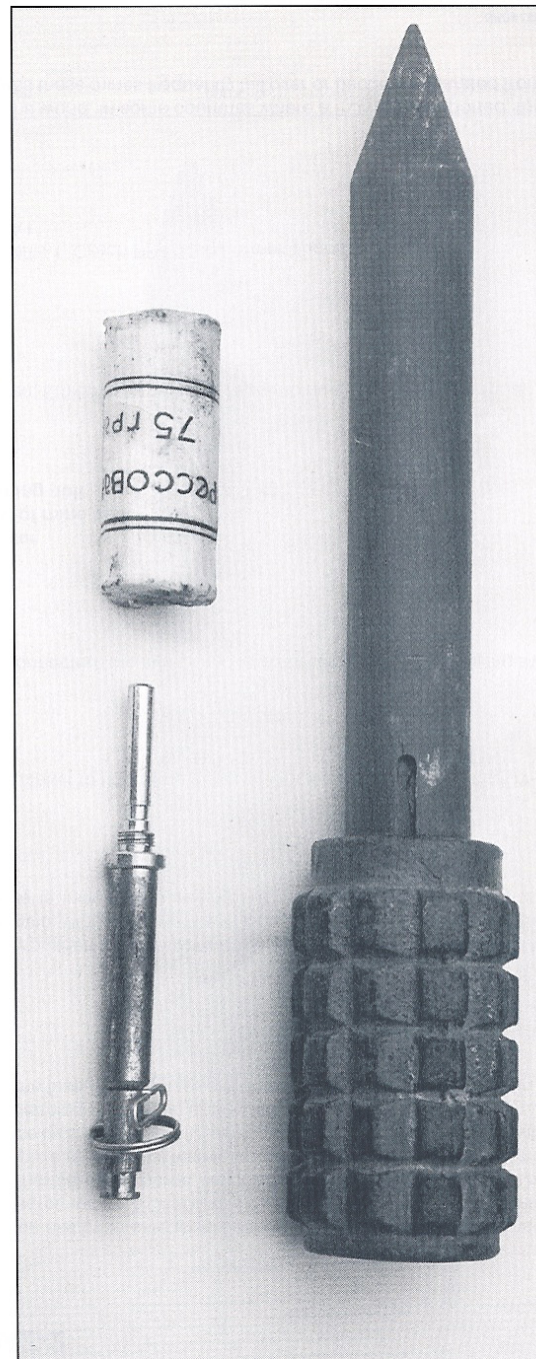
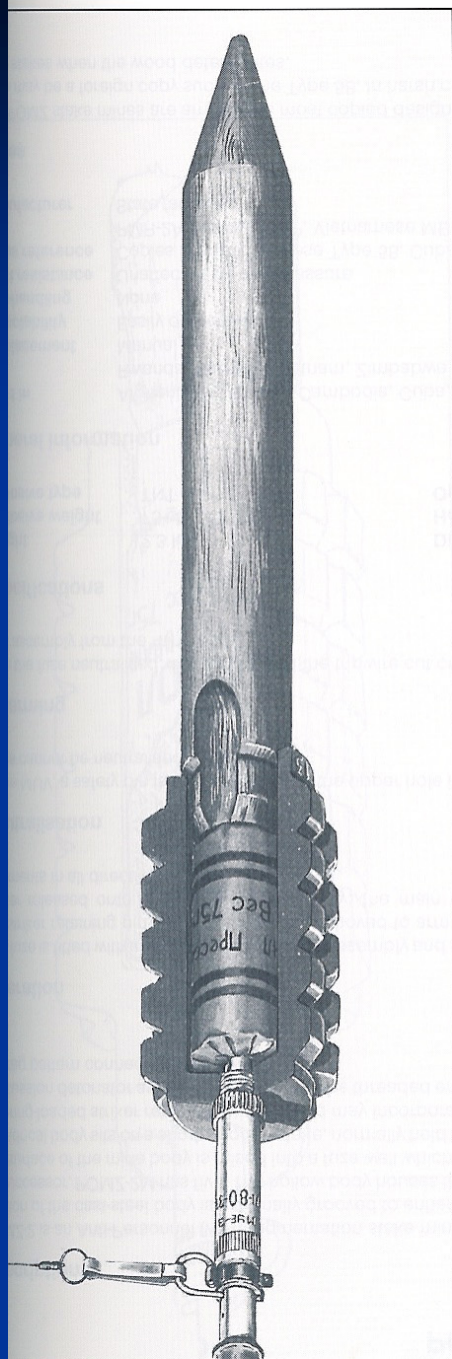
*The mine clearance process in Somalia is seriously complicated by:*

- ★ **Complete absence of minefields maps**
- ★ **Different types of mines that were used for years of civil war and disorder.**













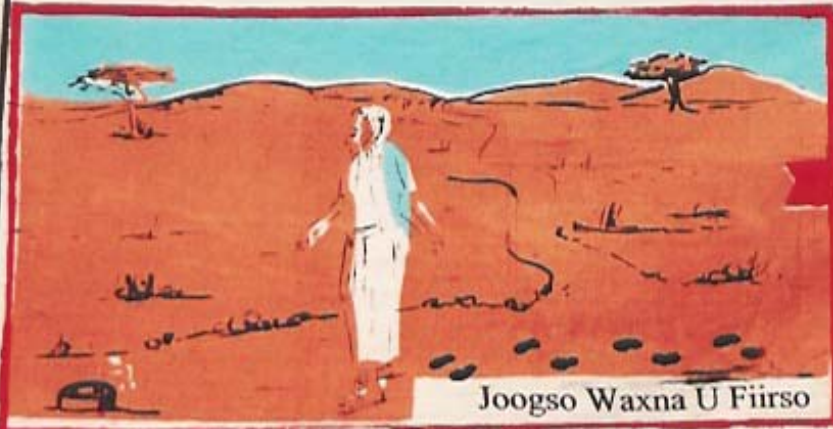


**Therefore the urgent process  
of mine fields  
reconnaissance and mapping,  
as well as process of mine  
clearing and mine destruction  
should be started  
by foreign specialists  
as soon as possible.**



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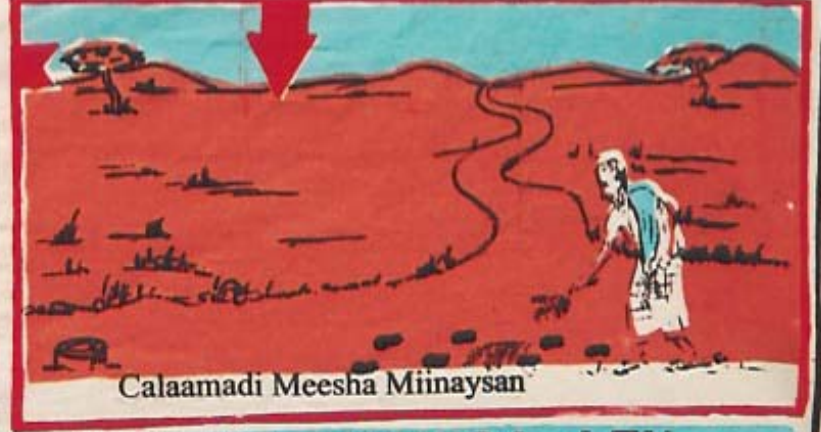
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WALIGAA HAGTA IN MEELAHA KA SHAKIGA LEH




We suggest that the experience of some organizations working on mine clearance in Lebanon and methods, applied by specialists of these organizations, will fit the situation in Somalia in a best way.

# THE DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM OF THE DEMINING OF SOMALIA

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# GOALS

- ★ Mine clearance of greatest areas of high importance in shortest possible time
  - ★ Training of Somali sappers and formation of National Sapper Corps
  - ★ Destruction of stocks of land mines and explosive objects
  - ★ Complete mine clearance of the whole country.
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# THE ORDER OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAM

## *FIRST STAGE*

- ★ Reconnaissance and Verification of Minefields in Somalia. Creation of maps of minefields.
- ★ Inspection and Verification of stocks of land mines and explosive objects in Somalia
- ★ Creation of plan and schedules of demining works in Somalia in accordance with the importance of the area to be demined.
- ★ Creation of the plan and schedule of the destruction of the stocks of land mines and explosive objects in Somalia.
- ★ Formation of the contingent of Somali sappers which shall undergone training.






## ***SECOND STAGE***

- ★ Delivery of additional personnel and equipment necessary for completion of the Second Stage.
- ★ Demining of important areas of Somalia within shortest possible time in accordance with the schedule of works.
- ★ Destruction of stocks of landmines and explosive objects in accordance with schedule of works.
- ★ Training of Somali sappers.
- ★ Formation of National Sapper Corpse.

## ***THIRD STAGE***

- ★ Transfer of demining and mine destruction equipment to National Sapper Corpse.
  - ★ Complete demining of Somalia Territory.
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# ***PERSONNEL***

## ***CRITERIA OF SELECTION***

- ★ Personnel shall be selected on competitive basis
- ★ All personnel shall be certified in accordance with UN Standards
- ★ Personnel shall have significant combat experience in demining in Angola, Afghanistan, Lebanon and other conflict areas.
- ★ Personnel shall have experience of work with different types of mines of different origin (USSR/Russia, China, Italy, USA, North Korea)
- ★ Priority will be given to acting/retired officers united in a battalion under central command, taking into account instability in some areas of Somalia at the First Stage of the Program.

# ***NUMBER OF SPECIALISTS***

- ★ *The Minimum Number of specialists necessary for the completion of the First Stage is 75*
- ★ *The number of foreign specialists necessary for completion of the Second Stage will be decided upon the completion of the First Stage.*
- ★ *The staff and structure of National Sapper Corps and the number of Somali demining specialists to be trained will be decided during the First Stage on the principle of the inclusion of all Somali groups and clans.*

# ***TRAINING***

- ★ *The Training of Somali personnel should be done in accordance with UN Standards.*
- ★ *After the completion of the training the personnel should be certified in accordance with UN Standards.*