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Yemen's Position on the Ottawa Convention



Mine Clearance

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Yemen's Progress on Article 5



What Progress Made, What Problem Remains, What Financial & Technical Means Dedicated and What Steps Taken to Nationalize the Programme in Yemen?

- All suspected hazard areas are known through the LIS 2000.

As of end of 2005

- All high, 59 medium and 73 low impacted communities are freed.
- 315 sqkm out of 922 sqkm contaminated land has been surveyed and cleared.
- 607 sqkm suspected land is remaining to be survey and clear.
- Mines/ERW casualties declined by 80% since Started MAP in 1999

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- The programme is Nationally Executed since October 2003.
- The Gov of Yemen commits to mine action & provides over US\$3.5 million annually.
- Personnel for mine action seconded from the Ministry of Defense.
- No NGOs or Commercial organizations involved in mine clearance.
- National capacity to plan and manage is in place as end of 2003.



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What is Yemen's Plan to Destroy AP Mines?

Completion Plan

Targets 2009: Yemen Will clear all hazard Areas

1. Clear, fence or mark all Hazard Areas that present a threat to people, economic and social livelihood of communities
2. Reduce victim rates to close to zero per year.
3. All landmine/ERW survivors receive medical care and have access to assistance that leads to full integration into community life.



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4. Create a residual mine action capacity that is sustainable by national resources after the end of major international assistance.

5. From April of 2009, Yemen commits its resources to deal with the remaining problem with the minimum international support

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Area to be released by the end of March 2009: 311sqkm
2006: 93 sqkm, 2007: 95 sqkm, 2008: 98sqkm, 2009, 100 sqkm

Targets 2011- Yemen will clear all Landmines Areas



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Addition to Yemen's Plan?

- The current plan is under review and will be revised sometime late this year.
- Monitoring (reevaluate) all remaining communities identified by LIS- by March 2007.
- Monitoring (reevaluate) the remaining communities in Hadramut currently underway. 343 sqkm of the 607 sqkm remaining suspected hazard area is in Hadramut.



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Addition to Yemen's Plan?

- Additional two clearance Units will be restructured to six logistically independent Platoons and introduce one man one lane demining drill to allow flexibility and increase clearance outputs and safety.
- Permanently Mark all suspended minefields that can not be cleared (lack of technology).
 - Yemen will need continued international support both financially and technologically.
- Maximum capacity will be in place by the end of 2006 **if** the financial requirement and expansion plans are met.



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Thank You

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