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NOTE VERBALE

The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Moldova to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions and Delegations of the participating States to the OSCE and to the Conflict Prevention Center (CPC) and has the honour to submit the Republic of Moldova's response to the Questionnaire on Anti-Personnel Landmines and on the Explosive Remnants of War.

The Permanent Representation of the Republic of Moldova to the OSCE avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions and Delegations of the participating States to the OSCE and to the CPC the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 31 May 2022

Encl.

- Permanent Missions/Delegations of the participating States to the OSCE
- Conflict Prevention Center

REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA



QUESTIONNAIRE ON ANTI-PERSONNEL LANDMINES AND EXPLOSIVE REMNANTS OF WAR

SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DECISION OF OSCE FSC No. 7/04 AS OF 24 NOVEMBER 2004

VALID AS OF: 31 MAY 2022

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. The latest national report covering the period of 1 January 2021 – 31 December 2021, submitted in accordance with Article 13 of the Amended Protocol can be accessed at:

<u>https://www.un.org/disarmament/ccw-amended-protocol-ii/national-annual-reports-and-data-base/ccw-apii-database/</u>

Part II

1. 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. The most recent national report valid as of 30 April 2022, submitted in accordance with article 7 of the Convention can be accessed at:

https://geneva-s3.unoda.org/artvii-ccm-databasedump/Republic%20of%20Moldova/2022%20Moldova.pdf

2. Has you 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?

No legislation, which would address the humanitarian objectives of the convention, is adopted. From existing relevant legislative acts only the Criminal Code of the Republic of Moldova can be mentioned, which envisages penal sanctions for the storage, purchase, selling and use of weapons and ammunitions, including antipersonnel mines.

3. Does you country have any specific measures in place to provide assistance to victims?

No incidents of local population being injured by anti-personnel mines are registered.

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

The Republic of Moldova does not require any assistance in mine clearance, stockpile destruction, mine awareness and/or victim assistance.

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

Currently, the Republic of Moldova is not able to provide any kind of assistance in mine action.

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

The Republic of Moldova is interested in receiving equipment for the detection and neutralization of ERW.

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

Presently, the Republic of Moldova is not able to provide any kind of assistance in cleaning and minimizing the risks and effects of ERW.