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Permanent Mission of Finland to the OSCE

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VERBAL NOTE

The Permanent Delegation of Finland to the OSCE presents its compliments to all Delegations and Permanent Missions to the OSCE and to the Conflict Prevention Center and, in accordance with the Forum for Security Co-operation Decision 7/2004, has the honour to convey Finland's response to the OSCE questionnaire on Anti-Personnel Landmines and Explosive Remnants of War.

The Permanent Delegation of Finland to the OSCE avails itself of this opportunity to renew to all Delegations and Permanent Missions to the OSCE and to the OSCE Conflict Prevention Center the assurance of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 27 May 2025



Annex: Questionnaire on Anti-Personnel Landmines Finland 2025

To all Delegations and Permanent Missions to the OSCE

To the Conflict Prevention Center

Finland 2025

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.

If yes:

2. Please attach the most recent annual report submitted by your country in accordance with Article 13 of the Amended Protocol or give the appropriate electronic address for the report.

Annual report is attached to this document.

Finland has not produced APMs since 1981. Production lines have been destroyed.

If no:

3. Is your country considering ratification/accession to the Amended Protocol II?

N/A

4. What measures have been taken to prevent the indiscriminate use of mines,

booby-traps and other devices?

The national legislation of Finland has been amended to meet the requirements of the Ottawa treaty as well as other international arms control treaties that Finland is a state party to. In the latest issued training manual of the Finnish Defence Forces it is clearly described which weapons and/or mine systems are illegal and against international law. The implementation of different treaties has been assured by the Defence Command and irregular and regular inspections are conducted continuously.

5. Would your country be interested in receiving assistance related to the implementation of this Protocol? If so, please describe.

No

6. Does your country have the capacity to assist others related to this Protocol? If so, please describe.

Yes, Finland has capacity to assist in both training and advising. The decision on possible assistance is made by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs together with the Ministry of Defence.

Part II

7. 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. However, in 2025 Finland's Government has proposed a withdrawal from the said Convention and is currently preparing a Government Proposal on the issue. The Parliament will decide whether it will accept the Proposal, after which the President of the Republic will decide on its confirmation.

8.(a) If yes, please attach the most recent report submitted by your country in accordance with Article 7 of the Convention or give the appropriate electronic address for the report.

The report is attached to this document.

National implementation measures:

- 1. Standard Operating Instructions (SOI) of Finnish Defence Command has been published 3.4.2012.
- 2. Decision of Army Command "Decommissioning of Anti Personal Mines" has been published 24,2,2012
- 3. Decision of Finnish Defence Command "Approval of Plan of Destruction of antipersonnel mines" has been published 25.10.2010
- (b) If no, is your country considering ratification/accession to the Convention?

N/A

(c) Has your 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 antipersonnel landmines? In case a moratorium has been introduced, what is its scope and duration and when was it introduced?

Yes. Reference is made to the attached document.

9. Does your country have any specific measures in place to provide assistance to victims?

Yes

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

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

Yes, Finland can provide training, advice and experts in field. Finland has supported humanitarian mine action since the 1990s. Finland's current support in 2021-2025 is approximately 15 million EUR and it is focused on fragile environments where mines pose a major problem. Recipients of our assistance are Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Somalia and Ukraine.

Article 7 Report - 1 January to 31 December 2024

Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention Annual Article 7 Reporting

Welcome to the online reporting platform,

- The online reporting platform has been established to support your reporting efforts in accordance with the Guide to Reporting.
- In accordance with Article 7, your report is required to be submitted to the depository of the Convention by 30 April each year.
- Please fill out your contact information first and then proceed to the summary report. For every section of the summary report, please indicate if the information is "changed", "unchanged" or "not applicable". Once you have filled out the summary report, you will only be allowed to fill out forms where you indicated that information has "changed" in the summary report.
- For guidance on reporting, please refer to the Guide to Reporting available under 'My Reports'.
- You may attach files where relevant. Please note that all attachments together should not exceed the size limit of 5MB.
- · You will be able to save, edit and view your report before you submit it. You may return to previous questions, save and logout at any time.
 - To save your report, click on the 'SAVE' button which you will find at the bottom of each page.
 - To edit your report, go to 'My Reports', select the report you want to edit, and click 'EDIT'.
 - To view your report, click on the 'PDF' button which you will find at the bottom of each page.
 - To submit your report, first save your report. You will then be directed to "My Reports" where you can click on the 'SUBMIT' button.
- When you submit your report, it will be sent directly to the depository and copied to the ISU. You will receive a confirmation email that your report has been submitted.
- Once submitted, you will be able to view but not edit your report.
- Should you encounter any difficulty while using the online reporting platform, please contact the ISU at isu@apminebanconvention.org



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Please fill out your contact information (mandatory).
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Reporting Period
1 January - 31 December 2024
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Summary report

For every section of the summary report, please indicate if the information is "changed", "unchanged" or "not applicable".

The option to fill out the detailed form(s) will only be available for the section(s) where you have indicated information has "changed". If an indication is made in the summary report that the information to be provided with respect to a particular form is "unchanged" in relationship to a previous year's form, the date of submission of the previous form should be clearly indicated. The option to fill out the detailed form will not appear.

The summary report can be used as a substitute for submitting the detailed report only if all of the information to be provided in the annual report is the same as in past reports.

A. National implementation measures:		
Changed	Last reporting year:	
ⓒ unchanged	2023	
B. Stockpiled anti-personnel mines:		
non applicable		
C. Anti-personnel mines retained or transferred for permitted purposes:		
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D. Areas known or suspected to contain anti-personnel mines:		
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	2023	
non applicable	2023	
E. Mine risk education and reduction efforts		
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non applicable		
F. Technical characteristics of anti-personnel mines:		
O changed	Last reporting year:	
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non applicable		
G. Conversion or decommissioning of anti-personnel mine production facilities:	Lost reporting vector	
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non applicable	2023	
H. Victim assistance:		
	Last reporting year:	
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B. Stockpiled anti-personnel mines

1. Stockpiled anti-personnel mines owned, possessed or under the State Party's jurisdiction or control	
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Гуре	Quantity Possessed	Lot Numbers		
APM 65-98	8,973			
APM 43-86	2,453			
APM 68-95	4,083			
Total				
15,509				
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APM 65-98	0			
APM 43-86	46			
APM 68-95	36			
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3. Previously unknown stockpi	led anti-personnel mines	
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these mines were discovered.		
Туре	Number of mines to be destroyed	Lot Numbers
Total		
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3.c. Insert information on challeng	ges in implementation and requirements for assistan	ice including on cooperation and assistance.
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C. Anti-personnel mines retained or transferred for permitted purposes

1. Retained anti-personnel mines

Insert information on anti-personnel mines retained for permitted purposes as of 31 December of the previous year.

Institution authorised by the State Party	Туре	Quantity Retained	Lot Numbers
Finnish Defence Forces	APM 65-98	8,973	
Finnish Defence Forces	APM 43-86	2,453	
Finnish Defence Forces	APM 68-95	4,083	

Finnish Defence Forces						
		APM 68-95	4,083			
Total						
15,509						
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6. Efforts to explore alternatives

Insert information on efforts to explore alternatives to using live anti-personnel mines for permitted purposes.	

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 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996)

REPORTING FORMATS

for Article 13 paragraph 4 and Article 11 paragraph 2

NAME OF THE HIGH

CONTRACTING PARTY: Finland

DATE OF SUBMISSION: 20 March 2025

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Form A	Disse	mination of inforn	nation	
Article 13, paragraph 4 (a)	Depos (a) dis	High Contracting Particitary [] on []: semination of information;"		annual reports to the ocol to their armed forces and
Remark:				
High Contracting	Party:	Finland		-
Reporting for time p	period from:	01/01/2024	to:	31/12/2024
		dd/mm/yyyy		dd/mm/yyyy

INFORMATION TO THE ARMED FORCES:

Information to the armed forces

Basic training material on the CCW Convention and its protocols and their humanitarian nature has been produced and delivered to the troops. The Finnish Defence Forces has published instructions and operating procedures concerning protocol V on December More detailed instructions and operating procedures concerning the use of mines were published during 2012.

Humanitarian law

The Finnish Defence Forces conducts teaching and information sequences to all personnel including conscripts and reservists concerning International Humanitarian Law. This training is under constant development.

During their military service, conscripts are given some training in humanitarian law including the Convention and its annexed Protocols. In addition, they are often dealt with in exercises in one form or another.

Cadets receive additional training in humanitarian law including the Convention and its annexed Protocols at the National Defence University. In addition, the employees – both military and civilian – of the Finnish Defence Forces have the possibility of attending a two-day-course in humanitarian law organized by the Finnish Red Cross. Approximately 30 to 40 officers and other employees of the Defence Forces attend these courses organized twice a year. Every year several employees of the Defence Forces, either officers or legal advisors, also attend the International Military Courses on the Law of Armed Conflict organized by the International Institute of Humanitarian Law in San Remo, Italy among

other courses. Both Courses feature also the Convention and its annexed Protocols.	

INFORMATION TO THE CIVILIAN POPULATION:

The Finnish Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Defence provide information on the implementation of Finland's commitments under the CCW through their respective public websites. The relevant authorities also make official statements, organise seminars and engage in public appearances in the media. Authorities also work closely with international and Finnish NGOs and think-tanks to promote awareness of the CCW.

Form B	Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes				
Article 13, paragraph 4 (b)	"The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary [] on []: (b) mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes;"				
Remark:	Please note that Finland participates actively also in the work of Mine Action Support Group (MASG) both at capital and Embassy levels.				
High Contracting	Party: Finland				
Reporting for time	period from: 01/01/2024 to: 31/12/2024 dd/mm/yyyy				
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Form C	Technical requirements and relevant information		
Article 13, paragraph 4 (c)	"The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary [] on []: (c) steps taken to meet technical requirements of this Protocol and any other relevant information pertaining thereto;"		
Remark:			
High Contracting Reporting for time	Finland	_	
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TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:			
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Legislation		
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Form E	International technical information exchange, cooperation		
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	"The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary [] on []: (e) measures taken on international technical information exchange, on international cooperation on mine clearance, and on technical cooperation and assistance;"		
Remark:			
High Contracting F	arty: Finland		
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	TECHNICAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE:		
Finland does not seel	assistance with regard to problems posed by the ERW.		
Finland is ready to suprotocol V and give a	apport other High Contracting Parties concerning implementation of ssistance if needed.		
INTERNATIONAL	COOPERATION ON MINE CLEARANCE:		
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Form F	Othe	r relevant matters		
Article 13, paragraph 4 (f)	Depos	"The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary [] on []: (f) other relevant matters."		
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OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS:				

Form G	Information to the UN-database on mine clearance			
Article 11, paragraph 2,	"2. Each High Contracting Party undertakes to provide information to the database on mine clearance established within the United Nations System, especially information concerning various means and technologies of mine clearance, and lists of experts, expert agencies or national points of contact on mine clearance."			
Remark:				
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WEARS AND TEC	THOLOGIES OF WINE CLEARANCE.			
LISTS OF EXPERTS AND EXPERT AGENCIES:				
NATIONAL POINTS OF CONTACT ON MINE CLEARANCE:				