REPORT OF THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES TO
THE AMENDED PROTOCOL II ON PROHIBITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS
ON THE USE OF MINES, BOOBY-TRAPS AND OTHER DEVICES
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THE USE OF CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WHICH MAY BE DEEMED
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I. INTRODUCTION


2. In its resolution 53/81, adopted on 4 December 1998, the General Assembly of the United Nations, while recalling with satisfaction the adoption, inter alia, of that Protocol, requested the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in his capacity as Depositary of Amended Protocol II, to convene in 1999 the First Annual Conference of States Parties to that Protocol.

3. Accordingly, a Preparatory Meeting of States Parties to Amended Protocol II was held in Geneva from 25 to 26 May 1999. At that meeting, it was decided that the First Annual Conference would be held in Geneva from 15 to 17 December 1999. In its resolution 54/58, the General Assembly of the United Nations welcomed the convening of the First Annual Conference of States Parties to Amended Protocol II to the CCW.

II. ORGANIZATION OF THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

4. The First Annual Conference was opened on 15 December 1999 by the Provisional Secretary-General of the Conference, Mr. Abdelkader Bensmail. At its first meeting, held on 15 December 1999, the Chairman of the Preparatory Meeting, Ambassador Johan Molander of Sweden, submitted the Procedural Report of the Preparatory Meeting, as contained in document CCW/AP.II/CONF.1/1.

5. At the same meeting, the Conference elected by acclamation Ambassador Molander as President of the First Annual Conference. It also elected Ambassador Petko Draganov of Bulgaria and Ambassador Hu Xiacdi of China as Vice-Presidents. The Conference received a
message from the Secretary-General of the United Nations, which was delivered by Mr. Abdelkader Bensmail, Chief of the Geneva Branch, United Nations Department for Disarmament Affairs.

6. Also at its first meeting, the Conference confirmed Mr. Bensmail as Secretary-General of the Conference. Mr. Vladimir Bogomolov, Political Affairs Officer, Department for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch, served as Secretary of the First Annual Conference. He was assisted by Ms Sonya Koppe, Political Affairs Officer, Department for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch.

7. The following States which have notified the Depositary of their consent to be bound by Amended Protocol II participated in the work of the Conference: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Canada, Cape Verde, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Holy See, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States of America and Uruguay.

8. The following States not parties to Amended Protocol II participated as observers: Angola, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bolivia, Burkina Faso, Chile, Côte d’Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Egypt, Estonia, Indonesia, Iraq, Israel, Kuwait, Malta, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Oman, Poland, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Sierra Leone, Slovenia, Sri Lanka, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, Venezuela, Yemen and Zambia. The representatives of the International Committee of the Red Cross, UNICEF and the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining also participated in the work of the Conference.


III. WORK OF THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

10. At its first plenary meeting, held on 15 December 1999, the Conference adopted its agenda, as contained in Annex I, and its Rules of Procedure, as contained in Annex II. In connection with the adoption of the Rules of Procedure, the President made the following statement:

   “With regard to Rule 29 of the draft Rules of Procedure, it is affirmed that in the deliberations and negotiations relating to the Convention and its annexed Protocols, High Contracting Parties have proceeded on the basis of consensus and no decisions have been taken by vote.”

11. At the same meeting, the Conference adopted the arrangements for meeting the costs of the Conference, as contained in Annex III.

12. Also at that meeting, the Conference decided to conduct its work in plenary meetings.
It also decided to establish, under the Chairmanship of Col. Erwin Dahinden of Switzerland, a Group of Experts, open to the participation of all delegations, to consider agenda item 13, entitled “Consideration of matters arising from reports by High Contracting Parties according to paragraph 4 of Article 13 of the Protocol”, and agenda item 15, entitled “Consideration of the development of technologies to protect civilians against indiscriminate effects of mines”.

13. At its third plenary meeting on 17 December 1999, the Chairman of the Group of Experts presented his report, which was adopted by the Conference. This report is contained in Annex IV.

14. The following delegations took part in the general exchange of views: Angola, Argentina, Australia, Belarus, Brazil, Cambodia, Canada, China, Czech Republic, Egypt, Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Germany, India, Italy, Japan, Pakistan, Poland, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, South Africa, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay, Yemen and the International Committee of the Red Cross. The representative of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines also made a statement. During this exchange of views, delegations reviewed the operation and status of the Amended Protocol II. They also emphasized the importance they attached to the desirability of wider adherence to the Protocol. The views expressed on that occasion are reflected in the summary records of the Conference which will be issued at a later date, as part of the records of this Conference.

15. In accordance with paragraph 4 of Article 13 of the Protocol, the Conference had before it 31 national annual reports from the following States: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom and United States of America. The reports contained information on:

(a) dissemination of information on the Protocol to armed forces and civilian populations;

(b) mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes;

(c) steps taken to meet technical requirements of the Protocol and any other relevant information pertaining thereto;

(d) legislation related to the Protocol;

(e) measures taken on international technical information exchange, on international cooperation on mine clearance, and on technical cooperation and assistance; and

(f) other relevant matters.
IV. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

16. At its third meeting, held on 17 December 1999, the Conference decided to issue a declaration urging all States that had not yet done so to take all measures to accede to the Amended Protocol II as soon as possible. The declaration is contained in Annex V.

17. The Conference welcomed the message addressed to it by the Secretary-General of the United Nations. The Conference recommended that the Secretary-General, as Depositary of the Amended Protocol II, consider sending a communication to the Heads of States and/or Governments of those States which have not yet acceded to the Amended Protocol II, urging them to do so at the earliest possible date. It further requested the President of the Conference, on behalf of the States Parties, to exercise his authority to achieve the goal of universality of the Amended Protocol II and, to this effect, requested him to consider reporting to the 55th session of the United Nations General Assembly on his endeavours. The Conference also called on the States Parties to promote wider adherence to the Amended Protocol II in their respective regions.

18. In accordance with operative paragraph 3 of Section II of United Nations General Assembly resolution 54/58, the Conference addressed the issue of holding the Second Annual Conference in 2000 and decided to convene it from 11 to 13 December 2000 in Geneva. The Conference decided that a preparatory meeting for the Second Annual Conference was not required. The Conference agreed to recommend to the Second Annual Conference a provisional agenda, as contained in Annex VI. It also approved the estimated costs for the Second Annual Conference, as contained in Annex VII.

19. The Conference also decided to recommend that Ambassador Kálmán Petöcz of Slovakia be elected President of the Second Annual Conference.


21. At its final meeting on 17 December 1999, the First Annual Conference adopted its report.
ANNEX I

AGENDA OF THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE STATES PARTIES TO THE AMENDED PROTOCOL II TO THE CONVENTION ON
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REPRESENTATION AND CREDENTIALS

Composition of delegations

Rule 1

1. Each State party to the Amended Protocol II 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 (hereinafter "the Convention") may be represented at the Annual Conference. States non-parties to the Amended Protocol II may participate as observers.

2. The delegation of each State participating in the Conference shall consist of a head of delegation and such other representatives, alternate representatives and advisers as may be required. An alternative representative or an adviser may act as a representative upon designation by the head of delegation.

Submission of credentials

Rule 2

The credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers shall be submitted to the Secretary-General of the Conference, if possible not later than 24 hours after the opening of the Conference. Any later change in the composition of delegations shall also be submitted to the Secretary-General of the Conference. The credentials shall be issued by the Head of State or Government, or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

CHAPTER II

OFFICERS

Elections

Rule 3

The Conference shall elect from among the States parties participating in the Conference a President, 2 Vice-Presidents. These officers shall be elected so as to ensure the representative character of the General Committee provided for in rule 7.
Acting President

Rule 4

1. If the President finds it necessary to be absent from a meeting or any part thereof, he shall designate one of the Vice-Presidents to take his place.

2. A Vice-President acting as President shall have the same powers and duties as the President.

Replacement of the President

Rule 5

If the President is unable to perform his functions, a new President shall be elected.

Participation of the President in decision-making

Rule 6

The President, or a Vice-President acting as President, shall not participate in making decisions, but may designate another member of his delegation to do so in his place.

CHAPTER III

GENERAL COMMITTEE

Composition

Rule 7

The General Committee shall be composed of the President, who shall preside, 2 Vice-Presidents and the Chairmen of any other subsidiary organs.

Chairman

Rule 8

The President or, in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents designated by him, shall serve as Chairman of the General Committee.

Functions

Rule 9

In addition to carrying out other functions provided for in these rules, the General Committee shall assist the President in the general conduct of the business of the Conference and, subject to decisions of the Conference, shall ensure the coordination of its work.
CHAPTER IV
SECRETARIAT

Duties of the Secretary-General

Rule 10

1. There shall be a Secretary-General of the Conference. He shall act in that capacity in all meetings of the Conference, and of any other subsidiary organ, and may designate a member of the Secretariat to act in his place at these meetings.

2. The Secretary-General of the Conference shall direct the staff required by the Conference and its subsidiary organs.

Duties of the Secretariat

Rule 11

The Secretariat of the Conference shall, in accordance with these rules:

(a) Interpret speeches made at meetings;

(b) Receive, translate, reproduce and distribute the documents of the Conference;

(c) Publish and circulate the instruments adopted by the Conference, including its Final Document, and all the official documents of the Conference;

(d) Prepare and circulate summary records of plenary meetings;

(e) Make and arrange for the keeping of sound recordings of meetings;

(f) Arrange for the custody and preservation of the records of the Conference in the Archives of the United Nations; and

(g) Generally perform all other work required in connection with the servicing of the Conference.
Costs

Rule 12

The costs of the Annual Conference will be met by the States parties to the Amended Protocol II to the Convention participating in the Conference in accordance with the United Nations scale of assessment, adjusted to take into account differences between the United Nations membership and the participation of States parties in the Conference. States which are not States parties to the Amended Protocol II and which accept the invitation to take part in the Conference will share in the costs to the extent of their respective rates of assessment under the United Nations scale.

Statements by the Secretariat

Rule 13

The Secretary-General or any member of the Secretariat designated for that purpose may, subject to rule 17, make either oral or written statements concerning any question under consideration.

CHAPTER V

CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

Quorum

Rule 14

A majority of the States parties to the Amended Protocol II participating in the Conference shall constitute a quorum.

General powers of the President

Rule 15

1. In addition to exercising the powers conferred upon him elsewhere by these rules, the President shall preside at the plenary meetings of the Conference, declare the opening and closing of each such meeting, direct the discussions, accord the right to speak, put questions to the Conference for decision and announce such decisions. He shall rule on points of order and, subject to these rules, have complete control of the proceedings and over the maintenance of order thereat. The President may propose to the Conference the closure of the list of speakers, a limitation on the time to be allowed to speakers and on the number of times the representatives of each participant may speak on a question, the adjournment or closure of the debate, and the suspension or the adjournment of a meeting.

2. The President, in the exercise of his functions, remains under the authority of the Conference.
Points of order

Rule 16

A representative may at any time raise a point of order, which shall be decided upon immediately by the President in accordance with these rules. A representative may appeal against the ruling of the President. The appeal shall be put to the Conference for decision immediately, and the President’s ruling shall stand unless overruled by the Conference. A representative may not, in raising a point of order, speak on the substance of the matter under discussion.

Speeches

Rule 17

1. No one may address the Conference without having previously obtained the permission of the President, who shall, subject to rules 15 and 16 and 18 to 22, call upon speakers in the order in which they signify their desire to speak.

2. Debate shall be confined to the question before the Conference and the President may call a speaker to order if his remarks are not relevant to the subject under discussion.

3. The Conference may limit the time allowed to speakers and the number of times the representatives of each participant may speak on a question; a motion to set such limit shall be put to the Conference for decision immediately. In any event, the President shall limit interventions on procedural questions to a maximum of five minutes. When the debate is limited and a speaker exceeds the allotted time, the President shall call him to order without delay.

Precedence

Rule 18

The Chairman or another representative of a subsidiary organ may be accorded precedence for the purpose of explaining the conclusions arrived at by that organ.

Closing of the list of speakers

Rule 19

During the course of a debate the President may announce the list of speakers and, with the consent of the Conference, declare the list closed. When there are no more speakers on the list, the President may declare the debate closed.

Rights of reply

Rule 20

The right of reply shall be accorded by the President to a representative of a State participating in the Conference who requests it; any other representative may be granted the opportunity to make a reply. Representatives should attempt, in exercising this right, to be as brief as possible and preferably to deliver their statements at the end of the meeting at which this right is requested.
Suspension or adjournment of the meeting

Rule 21

A representative may at any time move the suspension or the adjournment of the meeting. Such motions shall not be debated but shall be put to the Conference for decision immediately.

Adjournment of debate

Rule 22

A representative may at any time move the adjournment of the debate on the question under discussion. In addition to the proposer of the motion, two representatives may speak in favour of and two against the motion, after which it shall be put to the Conference for decision immediately.

Closure of debate

Rule 23

A representative may at any time move the closure of the debate on the question under discussion, whether or not any other representative has signified a wish to speak. Permission to speak on the closure of the debate shall be accorded only to two speakers opposing the closure, after which the motion shall be put to the Conference for decision immediately.

Order of motions

Rule 24

Subject to rule 15, the following motions shall have precedence in the indicated order over all other proposals or motions before the meeting:

(a) To suspend the meeting;
(b) To adjourn the meeting;
(c) To adjourn the debate;
(d) To close the debate.

Submission of proposals and substantive amendments

Rule 25

Proposals and substantive amendments shall normally be submitted in writing to the Secretary-General of the Conference, who shall circulate copies to all delegations in the languages of the Conference. As a general rule, no proposal shall be discussed or put to a decision unless copies of it have been circulated to all delegations in their respective working languages not later than the day preceding the meeting. The President may, however, permit the discussion and consideration of amendments, or motions as to procedure, even though these amendments and motions have not been circulated or have only been circulated the same day.
Withdrawal of proposals and motions

Rule 26

A proposal or motion may be withdrawn by its sponsor at any time before a decision on it has been taken, provided that it has not been amended. A proposal or motion thus withdrawn may be reintroduced by any representative.

Decisions on competence

Rule 27

Any motion calling for a decision on the competence of the Conference to discuss any matter or to adopt a proposal submitted to it shall be decided before the matter is discussed or a decision is taken on the proposal in question.

Reconsideration

Rule 28

When a proposal or motion has been adopted or rejected it may not be reconsidered unless the Conference takes a decision to that effect. Permission to speak on a motion to reconsider shall be accorded only to two speakers opposing reconsideration, after which the matter shall be put to the Conference for decision immediately.

CHAPTER VI

DECISION-MAKING

Adoption of decisions

Rule 29

The Conference shall conduct work and take decisions in accordance with established practice under the Convention. This practice does not derogate from the provision of Article 8 (1) (a) of the Convention with respect to the calling of a Conference of High Contracting Parties of the Convention to consider proposals for amendments.

CHAPTER VII

SUBSIDIARY ORGANS

Rule 30

If it deems appropriate for the conduct of its business the Conference may establish subsidiary organs open to the participation of all States Parties to the Amended Protocol II.
Officers

Rule 31

Each subsidiary organ shall have a chairman, a vice-chairman and such other officers as it considers necessary.

Applicable rules

Rule 32

The rules contained in Chapters II, V and VII shall be applicable, mutatis mutandis, to the proceedings of any subsidiary organs, except that:

(a) The chairman of any subsidiary organ may participate in making decisions;

(b) A majority of the representatives on any subsidiary organ of limited membership shall constitute a quorum.

CHAPTER VIII

LANGUAGES AND RECORDS

Languages of the Conference

Rule 33

Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish shall be the official languages of the Conference.

Interpretation

Rule 34

1. Speeches made in a language of the Conference shall be interpreted into the other such languages.

2. A representative may speak in a language other than a language of the Conference if he provides for interpretation into one such language. Interpretation into the other such languages by interpreters of the secretariat may be based on the interpretation given in the first such language.

Language of official documents

Rule 35

Official documents and all instruments adopted by the Conference, including its Final Document, shall be made available in the languages of the Conference.
Records and sound recordings of meetings

Rule 36

1. Summary records of the plenary meetings of the Conference shall be prepared and circulated as soon as possible in all the languages of the Conference, to all representatives, who shall inform the secretariat, within five working days after such circulation, of any corrections they wish to have made.

2. The secretariat shall make sound recordings of meetings of the Conference. Such recordings shall be made of meetings of any subsidiary organs when the body concerned or the organ that established it so decides.

CHAPTER IX

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE MEETINGS

Rule 37

1. The plenary meetings of the Conference shall be held in public unless otherwise decided.

2. Meetings of other subsidiary organs established under Rule 30 shall be held in private.

CHAPTER X

OTHER PARTICIPANTS AND OBSERVERS

Representatives of Organizations which have been granted observer status in the United Nations

Rule 38

Representatives designated by any Organization having been granted observer status in the United Nations by a resolution of the General Assembly may participate as observer in the deliberations of the Conference and in its subsidiary organs.

Representatives of United Nations organs, of related agencies and of other intergovernmental organizations

Rule 39

Representatives designated by organs of the United Nations, by specialized or other related agencies and by other intergovernmental organizations invited to the Conference may participate as observers in its deliberations and in its subsidiary organs.

International Committee of the Red Cross

Rule 40

Representatives designated by the International Committee of the Red Cross may participate as observers in the deliberations of the Conference and in its subsidiary organs in
order, in particular, that the Conference may avail itself of the relevant expertise of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations

Rule 41

1. Non-governmental organizations may designate representatives to attend public meetings of the Conference and to make available written contributions on matters on which they have a special competence, at their own cost. They will also be entitled upon request to receive the documents of the Conference.

2. Upon the invitation of the presiding officer of the plenary and subject to the approval of that body, representatives of such organizations may make oral statements on questions in which they have a special competence in plenary meetings.

Written statements

Rule 42

Written statements submitted by the designated representatives referred to in rules 39, 40 and 41 shall be distributed by the Secretariat to all delegations in the quantities and in the languages in which the statements are made available to the Secretariat for distribution.

CHAPTER XI

AMENDMENT OR SUSPENSION OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE

Method of amendment

Rule 43

These rules may be amended by a decision of the Conference upon recommendation of the General Committee.

Method of suspension

Rule 44

These rules may be suspended by a decision of the Conference, provided that 24 hours notice of the motion for suspension has been given, which may be waived if no representative objects, subsidiary organs may, by their own decisions, waive rules pertaining to them. Any suspension shall be limited to a specific and stated purpose and to the period required to achieve it.
ANNEX III

ESTIMATED COSTS OF THE PREPARATORY MEETING AND FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF STATES PARTIES TO THE AMENDED PROTOCOL 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

Note by the Secretariat


2. This paper is submitted pursuant to the above-mentioned decisions. It provides estimated costs for the above meetings.

3. It should be noted that the costs are estimated on the basis of past experience and anticipated workload. The actual costs will be determined after closure of the sessions when the exact workload is known. At that time, any adjustment in the contributions by the participants sharing the costs will be made accordingly.

4. With regard to the financial arrangements, it will be recalled that, in accordance with the practice followed on the occasion of previous disarmament conferences and meetings including the above Convention, the costs have been shared among the States Parties participating in the conferences and meetings based on the United Nations scale of assessment pro-rated to take into account the number of States Parties participating in the conferences and meetings. States which were not States Parties and which had accepted the invitation to take part in the conferences and meetings shared in the costs to the extent of their respective rates of assessment under the United Nations scale.

5. It is proposed that the arrangement described above also apply to the above Preparatory Meeting and First Annual Conference.

6. Subject to the States Parties approval of the estimated costs and cost-sharing formula, assessment notices would be prepared accordingly. Since the above-mentioned activities should have no financial implication for the regular budget of the Organization, States Parties should proceed with the payment of their share of the estimated costs as soon as assessment notices have been received. Adjustments in the contributions made to reflect actual participation in the meetings and as mentioned - actual costs - would be made after the closing of such meetings.
## SUMMARY OF 1999 COST ESTIMATES FOR THE PREPARATORY MEETING AND FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE TO THE AMENDED PROTOCOL TO THE CCW

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ANNEX IV

REPORT OF THE GROUP OF EXPERTS

I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its first plenary meeting on 15 December 1999, the First Annual Conference of the States Parties to the Amended Protocol II 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 decided, in accordance with Rule 30 of its Rules of Procedure, to establish an open-ended Group of Experts to consider the following items on its agenda:

   Item 13, entitled “Consideration of matters arising from reports by High Contracting Parties according to paragraph 4 of Article 13 of the Amended Protocol II”; and

   Item 15, entitled “Consideration of the development of technologies to protect civilians against indiscriminate effects of mines”.

2. At the same meeting, the Conference elected Col. Erwin Dahinden of Switzerland as Chairman of the Group of Experts. The Group of Experts held two meetings on 16 December 1999.

II. WORK OF THE GROUP OF EXPERTS

3. In discharging its functions, the Group of Experts considered the following issues:

   (a) formal aspects of the reports by High Contracting Parties (National Annual Reports);

   (b) questions in relation to the National Annual Reports;

   (c) experience with a proposed format for National Annual Reports; and

   (d) consideration of the development of technologies to protect civilians against indiscriminate effects of mines.

Formal aspects of the National Annual Reports

4. The Group of Experts noted with satisfaction that 31 out of 45 High Contracting Parties had submitted their National Annual Reports, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Article 13 of the Amended Protocol II. A synopsis of the National Annual Reports is contained in Appendix A. All States which have notified the Depositary of their consent to be bound by the Amended Protocol II were encouraged to submit their National Annual Reports. The group also noted that States Signatories of the CCW wishing to do so could submit National Annual Reports on a voluntary basis.

5. The Group of Experts made the following recommendation:

   A. National Annual Reports should be submitted no later than eight weeks prior to the convening of Annual Conferences.
Questions in relation to the National Annual Reports

6. The Group of Experts considered the National Annual Reports. The list of National Annual Reports which the Group of Experts had before it is contained in Appendix B.

7. The Group of Experts reiterated its understanding that the reporting of rehabilitation programs would include land reclamation, as well as victim assistance.

8. On other issues under this item, one delegation informed the Group that, in addition to its National Annual Report, it had forwarded a declaration to the Secretary-General of the United Nations as Depositary of the CCW.

9. The Group of Experts made the following recommendation:

B. If applicable, under paragraph 4 (e) of Article 13 of the Amended Protocol II, National Annual Reports should also emphasize requirements for assistance in mine clearance and rehabilitation.

Experience with a proposed format for National Annual Reports

10. The Group of Experts discussed the proposed reporting format which had been submitted by the delegation of Austria at the Preparatory Meeting for the First Annual Conference, held from 25-26 May 1999. The Group of Experts considered that a standardized format would be useful and that the Austrian format, as contained in Appendix C, could serve as a basis for further development of a standardized format. Amendments to the Austrian proposal were suggested. It was agreed that any standardized format would need to be sufficiently flexible to enable High Contracting Parties to include additional information if they so desired.

11. The Group of Experts made the following recommendations:

C. In providing their National Annual Reports, High Contracting Parties would make efforts, as appropriate, to use the amended format (Appendix C), on the understanding that there was no obligation to do so;

D. The issue of a standardized format would be kept under consideration at Annual Conferences;

E. National Annual Reports should be submitted in one of the six official languages of the CCW. High Contracting Parties, in a position to do so, would make efforts to provide an unofficial translation into another official language of the CCW;

F. High Contracting Parties should indicate whether they wish to make available their National Annual Report to other interested parties and relevant organizations;

G. National Annual Reports should be transmitted to the Depositary both electronically, where possible, and in hard copy, on the understanding that the earlier date would become the date of submission. To this effect, the Depositary is requested to consider the feasibility of establishing a data base for storage and dissemination of National Annual Reports required under the provisions under paragraph 4 of Article 13 of the Amended Protocol II and it.
accordance with the recommendation of the First Annual Conference of the States Parties to this Protocol as well as paragraph 2 of Article 11 of the same Protocol.

Consideration of the development of technologies to protect civilians against indiscriminate effects of mines.

12. It was noted that, since the Protocol was adopted on 3 May 1996, there had been developments in technologies to protect civilians against the indiscriminate use of mines. A discussion took place on ongoing activities in this field.

13. The Group of Experts made the following recommendation:

   H. Structured discussions should be held on the subjects of international technical information exchange, international cooperation on mine clearance, technical cooperation and assistance and development of viable and cost-effective technologies that could eventually replace anti-personnel landmines.

14. The results of such discussions and specific avenues for cooperation identified therein might be compiled in a report, possibly in a standardized format, which would assist High Contracting Parties in furthering the cooperation and assistance objectives of Amended Protocol II.

15. The Group of Experts transmitted the afore-mentioned recommendations for consideration and further action by the First Annual Conference.
# Appendix A

## Synopsis of National Annual Reports

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**Substance of the Reporting Items**

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2. Mine clearance and rehabilitation program
3. Technical requirements and relevant information
4. (1) International technical information exchange, (2) cooperation on mine clearance, (3) technical cooperation and assistance

**Language**

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Appendix C

AMENDED PROTOCOL II 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)

Proposed Reporting Formats for Article 13 para 4 and Article 11 para 2

NAME OF HIGH CONTRACTING PARTY

DATE OF SUBMISSION

NATIONAL POINT(S) OF CONTACT (Organization, telephones, fax, email)

This information can be made available to other interested parties and relevant organizations:

☐ YES

☐ NO

☐ Partially, only the following forms:

A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐
Form A  Dissemination of information

Article 13 / 4 / a  “The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary ... on:

(a) dissemination of information on this Protocol to their armed forces and to the civilian population;”

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Form B  

Mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes

Article 13 / 4 / b  

"The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary on:

(b) mine clearance and rehabilitation programmes;"

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Mine clearance programmes

Rehabilitation programmes
Form C  Technical requirements and relevant information

Article 13 / 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 Party reporting for time to

________________________ period from ____________

Technical requirements

Any other relevant information
Form D  Legislation

Article 13 / 4 / d  "The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary on:

(d) legislation related to this Protocol;

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_________________________________ period from ___________ ___________  

Legislation
**Form E**  
International technical information exchange, cooperation on mine clearance, technical cooperation and assistance

**Article 13 / 4 / e**  
"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;

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Form F

Other relevant matters

Article 13 / 4 / f  "The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary ... on:

(f) other relevant matters.

Remark:

High Contracting Party reporting for time to

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Other relevant matters
Form G  Information to the UN-database on mine clearance

Article 11 para 2  "The High Contracting Parties shall 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

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ANNEX V

DECLARATION

ON THE OCCASION OF THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE STATES PARTIES TO THE AMENDED PROTOCOL II 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

We, the States which have notified the Depositary of our consent to be bound by Amended Protocol II to the CCW, meeting in Geneva on 15 - 17 December 1999 for our First Annual Conference:

Bearing in mind the important contribution of the Amended Protocol II to international efforts to alleviate the suffering caused by the indiscriminate use of landmines;

Noting in this context that the Amended Protocol II is the only international legal instrument which covers all types of landmines, as well as booby-traps and other devices;

Welcomed the fact that, since the Preparatory Meeting was held in May 1999, seven more States have notified the Depositary of their consent to be bound by the Amended Protocol II, thus bringing the total number of States which have adhered to the Amended Protocol II to 45;

Emphasized the importance of achieving the widest possible adherence to the Amended Protocol II;

Urged all States that have not yet done so to take all measures to accede to it as soon as possible.
ANNEX VI

PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE SECOND ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE STATES PARTIES TO THE AMENDED PROTOCOL II
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

(11 - 13 December 2000)

1. Opening of the Second Annual Conference of the States Parties to the Amended Protocol II 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

2. Election of the President and other officers

3. Adoption of the Agenda

4. Appointment of the Secretary-General of the Conference

5. Adoption of arrangements for meeting the costs of the Conference

6. Organization of work including that of any subsidiary bodies of the Conference

7. General exchange of views (Plenary)

8. Review of the operation and status of the Protocol

9. Consideration of matters arising from reports by High Contracting Parties according to
paragraph 4 of Article 13 of the Amended Protocol II

10. Consideration of the development of technologies to protect civilians against indiscriminate
effects of mines

11. Preparation for the Second Review Conference of the States Parties to the CCW

12. Report(s) of any subsidiary organ(s)

13. Other matters

14. Consideration and adoption of the final documents
ANNEX VII

ESTIMATED COSTS OF THE SECOND ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES TO THE AMENDED PROTOCOL II 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

Note by the Secretariat

1. The States Parties to the Amended Protocol II 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 at its First Annual Conference, convened from 15-17 December 1999, decided, inter alia to hold a three-day session of the Second Annual Conference from 11-13 December 2000.

2. This paper is submitted pursuant to the above-mentioned decision of the States Parties and provides estimated costs for the above mentioned conference.

3. It should be noted that the costs are estimated on the basis of past experience and anticipated workload. The actual costs will be determined after closure of the sessions when the exact workload is known. At that time, any adjustment in the contributions by the participants sharing the costs will be made accordingly.

4. With regard to the financial arrangements, it will be recalled that in accordance with the practice followed on the occasion of previous disarmament conferences and meetings including the above Convention, the costs have been shared among the States Parties participating in the conferences and meetings based on the United Nations scale of assessment pro-rated to take into account the number of States Parties participating in the conferences and meetings. States which were not States Parties and which had accepted the invitation to take part in the conferences and meetings shared in the costs to the extent of their respective rates of assessment under the United Nations scale.

5. Subject to the States Parties approval of the estimated costs and cost-sharing formula, assessment notices would be prepared accordingly. Since the above-mentioned activities should have no financial implication for the regular budget of the Organization, States Parties should proceed with the payment of their share of the estimated costs as soon as assessment notices have been received. Adjustments in the contributions made to reflect actual participation in the meetings and as mentioned - actual costs - would be made after the closing of such meetings.
COST ESTIMATES FOR SECOND ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF STATES PARTIES TO THE AMENDED PROTOCOL II TO THE CCW
11-13 December 2000

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ANNEX VIII

ESTIMATED COSTS OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SECOND REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES 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

Note by the Secretariat

1. The States Parties to the Amended Protocol II 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 at its First Annual Conference on 15 December 1999, decided, inter alia to hold a one-day session on 14 December 2000 of the Preparatory Committee for the Second Review Conference of CCW, to be convened during 2001.

2. This paper is submitted pursuant to the above-mentioned decision of the States Parties and provides estimated cost of the above mentioned session.

3. It should be noted that the cost of this session is estimated on the basis of past experience and anticipated workload. The actual costs will be determined after closure of the session when the exact workload is known. At that time, any adjustment in the contributions by the participants sharing the costs will be made accordingly.

4. With regard to the financial arrangements, it will be recalled that in accordance with the practice followed on the occasion of previous disarmament conferences and meetings including the above Convention, the costs have been shared among the States Parties participating in the conferences and meetings based on the United Nations scale of assessment pro-rated to take into account the number of States Parties participating in the conferences and meetings. States which were not States Parties and which had accepted the invitation to take part in the conferences and meetings shared in the costs to the extent of their respective rates of assessment under the United Nations scale of assessments.

5. Subject to the States Parties approval of the estimated costs and cost-sharing formula, assessment notices would be prepared accordingly. Since the above-mentioned activities should have no financial implication for the regular budget of the United Nations, States Parties should proceed with the payment of their share of the estimated costs as soon as assessment notices have been received. Adjustments in the contributions made to reflect actual participation in the meetings and as mentioned - actual costs - would be made after the closing of such meetings.
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