

**FOURTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE STATES
PARTIES TO 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**

CCW/AP.II/CONF.4/NAR.24/Rev.1
28 November 2002

ENGLISH only

Geneva, 11 December 2002

THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Revised national annual report

Submitted in accordance with Article 13, para. 4 of the
Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines,
Booby-Traps and Other Devices
as Amended on 3 May 1996 to the CCW

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)

Provisional Reporting Formats for Article 13 para 4 and Article 11 para 2.

NAME OF HIGH CONTRACTING PARTY	The Czech Republic
DATE OF SUBMISSION	October 15, 2002
NATIONAL POINT(S) OF CONTACT	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic Tel.: ++ 420-2-2418 2166, Fax: ++420-2-2418 2491,
	(Organization, telephones, fax, email)

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;“

Remark:

High Contracting Party	The Czech Republic	reporting for	15 October	to	15 October
		time period from	2001		2002

Information to the armed forces

Dissemination of information on this Protocol to the Czech Armed Forces was realised on the basis of publication in the Official Journal, "Collection of Laws"

Several parts of Protocol II and their technical annexes were included to the military instructions and operating procedures with a view to prevent possible violations. Expert theory of the Convention and Protocol is taught in the frame of Military Colleges and Military High schools. Military training includes duties and responsibilities of military personnel to comply with the provisions of this Protocol.

Information to the civilian population

Civilian population is informed through publication in the Official Journal, "Collection of Laws" which is official publication of the Ministry of Justice in which new acts are published. Civilian population is also informed through many articles in daily press.

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;“

Remark:

High Contracting Party	The Czech Republic	reporting for	15 October	to	15 October
		time period from	<u>2001</u>		<u>2002</u>

Mine clearance programs

On the territory of the Czech Republic weren't and aren't mine fields . Therefore clearance programs were not considered.

The Partial Pyrotechnic Sanitation (PPS) in the former military zones MLADA and RALSKO has been carried out since September 1993 according to the Government resolution numbers 348/1992, 140/1993 and 350/1997. PPS in the former military zone MLADA has been already finished in June 2000 and in the former military zone RALSKO should continue till the end 2002.

Based on our experience, PPS can be characterised as a process of search, detection and destruction of ammunition and elements of ammunition in the target areas and endangered areas of former fire ranges, and remains of ammunition left or dumped by former users in ammunition dumps, buildings or open terrain. UXO from Austria-Hungarian period, from the Czechoslovakian period, from the period of the German occupation during the World War II, and UXO of the Soviet Army, which was based there till 1989, could be found there.

Rehabilitation programmes

None.

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	The Czech Republic	reporting for time	15 October	to	15 October
		period from	<u>2001</u>		<u>2002</u>

Technical requirements

Non-detectable mines (44 353 pcs of PP Mi-Na I) not fulfilling the requirements and limitations in accordance with Protocol II were totally destroyed in the year 1997.

Any other relevant information

Supplementary information will be forwarded later.

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;

Remark:

High Contracting Party	The Czech Republic	reporting for time	15 October	to	15 October
		period from	2001		2002

Legislation

The Czech Republic is a state party to the Convention on Conventional Weapons and ratified the amended Protocol II on 10 August 1998. Amended Protocol II of the CCW is a part of the Czech legislation norms.

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;

Remark:

High Contracting Party	The Czech Republic	reporting for time	15 October	to	15 October
		period from	2001		2002

International technical information exchange

The Czech Republic has prepared delaboration technology for destroying of antipersonnel bounding mines PP Mi-Šr II. The equipment used for individual demilitarisation operations consists of simple tools for disassembling and auxiliary fixtures mounted on benches or fixed to floor. A single purpose, electric, automatically working machine is used in one operation only. The machine is operated from a place out of the armoured box.

International co-operation on mine clearance

Czech KFOR (FRY ? Kosovo) unit are engaged in mine clearance in their areas of responsibility.

International cooperation on mine clearance (continued)

The Czech Republic continues to support the International Trust Fond of the Republic of Slovenia for Demining and Mine Victims Assistance in Bosnia and Herzegovina and FRY- Kosovo. The Czech KFOR unit participate in demining in the fields of responsibility only in cases that are necessary needed for fulfilling their own tasks ? for example demining of areas, buildings, communications etc.

Other relevant matters

(f) other relevant matters.

Remark:

High Contracting Party	The Czech Republic	reporting for time period from	15 October 2001	to	15 October 2002
------------------------	--------------------	-----------------------------------	--------------------	----	--------------------

The Czech Republic continues to support all other foras, in particular the Geneva Conference on Disarmament, in the aim of universalization of the Protocol II and the Ottawa Convention.

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.....on:

- information concerning various means and technologies of mine clearance, and lists of experts, expert agencies or national points of contact on mine clearance

High Contracting Party	The Czech Republic	reporting for time	15 October	to	15 October
		period from	<u>2001</u>		<u>2002</u>

Means and technologies of mine clearance

Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) teams of the Czech unit in KFOR are equipped with one Universal Loaders ?LOCUST 750?? (BOZENA) of the Slovak production with the remote control and with the equipment for removing of mines approvals.

Lists of experts and expert agencies

Maj RNDr. Petr BEYR, CSc. , Military Academy ? BRNO, ++4205-411824404,
E-mail: petr.beyr@vabo.cz

Maj Pavel VOJÍK, Engineer Department of General Staff, tel.: ++420-2-20 217 692,
E-mail: vojikp@army.cz

Maj Petr LAŠTUVKA, Pyrotechnical Sanitation Department of General Staff,
tel.: ++420-2-20 2176714

National points of contact on mine clearance

Supplementary information will be forwarded later.