FOURTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES CCW/AP.II/CONF.4/2 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

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REPLIES OF UNITED NATIONS MEMBER STATES

Note by the Secretariat

The President of the Third Annual Conference invited United Nations Member States to submit their national replies to the Appeal as contained in his letter dated 21 August 2002.

In response to this invitation, two national replies were received, from Latvia dated 11 September 2002 and Mozambique dated 29 November 2002.

The replies are reproduced in the Annex as received in the language of submission only.

Annex

National Reply of The Republic of Latvia

In response to your letter of August 21, 2002, to the Foreign Ministers of States, members of the United Nations, which are not members of the Amended Protocol II on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and other Devices Annexed to the CCW, I should like to inform you that Latvia has become a State Party of the Amended Protocol II of the CCW on August 22, 2002.

I should like to assure you, Excellency, that the Government of Latvia will spare no efforts to fulfill its commitments under the Convention and its Protocols.

(Signed) Janis Karklins Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Latvia to the UN Office in Geneva

National Reply of The Republic of Mozambique

Nous avons l'honneur de porter à votre connaissance que la République du Mozambique a déposé, le 12 novembre 2002, son instrument d'adhésion au Protocole additionnel II aux Conventions de Genève du 12 août 1949, relatif à la protection des victimes des conflits armés non internationaux, fait à Genève le 8 juin 1977.

Conformément à ses dispositions finales, le Protocole entrera en vigueur pour la République du Mozambique six mois après le dépôt de l'instrument, soit le 12 mai 2003.

(<u>Signed</u>) S. Michel DIRECTION DU DROIT INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC