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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

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Form A	Dissemination	of information

Article 13, paragraph 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:

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Party		period from	January 2004 to November 2005

Information to the armed forces

In 2005, information of the Armed Forces personnel continued as regards the provisions and requirements of the APII.

Information to the civilian population

Civilian population is informed on regular basis on mine- and ERW-related risks.

Form	B	Mine clearance	e and rehabilitation	n programmes
Article paragra	13, aph 4 (b)	"The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the Depositary on:		
		(b) mine clearar	nce and rehabilitatio	n programmes;"
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Party			_ period from	November 2004 to November 2005

Mine clearance programmes

Annually, up to 100,000 mines and ERW remaining since WWII is cleared by the authorized Armed Forces personnel of the Russian Federation. In 2005, routine action on mine clearance in the territory of the Chechen Republic was planned and is currently in progress.

Rehabilitation programmes

Form C	Technical requirer	nents 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;"			
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Technical requirements

A package of measures on implementing the technical requirements of the Amended Protocol II is currently being realized in the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation. Entire completion is expected by late 2007.

Any other relevant information

Form D Legislation

Article 13, "The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the paragraph 4 (d) Depositary ... on:

(d) legislation related to this Protocol;"

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Legislation

Federal Law # 158- Φ 3 on Ratification of the Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-traps, and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996) 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, was adopted in the Russian Federation on 7 December 2004.

Form E			tion exchange, cooperation on ration and assistance	
Article 13, paragraph 4 (e)	"The High Con Depositary	e	Ill provide annual reports to the	
	on internationa	asures taken on international technical information exernational cooperation on mine clearance, and on technation and assistance;"		
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International technical information exchange

As part of the international technical information exchange, the Russian Federation proposed to use a new technology of disposition by cementation of anti-personnel mines the use of which is restricted under the APII.

International cooperation on mine clearance

In the context of international cooperation, there have been exchanges of experience as regards mine clearance and staff training. Such get-togethers have been organized with Ukraine and the Republic of Belarus.

International co-operation on technical co-operation and assistance

The Russian Federation is ready to assist the interested states in staff training for mine clearance.

Form F Other relevant matters

Article 13, "The High Contracting Parties shall provide annual reports to the paragraph 4 (f) Depositary ... on:

(f) other relevant matters."

Remark:

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Other relevant matters

No other relevant information available.

Form G Information to the UN-database on mine clearance

Article 11, "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."

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Means and technologies of mine clearance

See information on mine clearance (Chechnya) above. As far as humanitarian demining is concerned, the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation have not participated in such activities so far.

The Russian Ministry of Emergencies (EMERCOM) has been in charge of humanitarian demining. In the recent years, over 80,000 mines and explosive objects have been cleared by the Russian personnel in more than 20 countries of the world.

The Russian humanitarian demining personnel express their readiness to participate in the future humanitarian demining operations and to exchange experience in this field.

Relevant information has been submitted for the UN database.

Lists of experts and experts agencies

National points of contact on mine clearance