

**MEETING OF THE STATES PARTIES TO
THE CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION
OF THE USE, STOCKPILING, PRODUCTION
AND TRANSFER OF ANTI-PERSONNEL
MINES AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION**

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**CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE USE, STOCKPILING,
PRODUCTION AND TRANSFER OF ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES
AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION**

**PROPOSED TEMPLATE FOR ASSISTING STATES PARTIES
IN REQUESTING AN EXTENSION UNDER ARTICLE 5**

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Background

Article 5.1 requires each State Party “to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under its jurisdiction or control, as soon as possible but not later than ten years after the entry into force of this Convention for that State Party.” Related to this paragraph is the provision in Article 5.3 which states that “if a State Party believes that it will be unable to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines referred to in paragraph 1 within that time period, it may submit a request to a Meeting of the States Parties or a Review Conference for an extension of the deadline for completing the destruction of such anti-personnel mines, for a period of up to 10 years.” Article 5.4 proceeds to indicate what each request shall contain. The following template has been prepared to assist States Parties for use on a voluntary basis in providing pertinent information in its request for an extension of its deadline.

Form A: The duration of the proposed extension

Article 5.4 (a) states that each request shall contain ... the duration of the proposed extension.

Date of entry into force	
Date ten years after entry into force	
Proposed end date of extension period*	

* The proposed end date should be the minimum required but must not be more than ten years after the date indicated in the second row.

Please attach the national demining plan for the period of the extension sought, including details on how the progress estimated in Table D.1 is expected to be achieved. This should include details on the institutions/agencies responsible for preparing, endorsing and implementing the national demining plan, the assets that will be deployed, the costs of these assets and annual measures of progress.

Form B: A detailed explanation of the reasons for the proposed extension

(i) The preparation and status of work conducted under national demining programmes

Article 5.4 (b) (i) states that each request shall contain a detailed explanation for the proposed extension, including the preparation and status of work conducted under national demining programmes.

*Table B.1: Preparation of work conducted under national demining programmes
Identification of areas under the State Party's jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines were/are known to be emplaced*

Note: States Parties, particularly those with a large number of mined areas, may wish to append the detailed information called for in Tables B.1 to B.4 in another form as an annex to the extension request. States Parties may wish to append a map displaying mined areas.

Name of area under the State Party's jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines were/are known to be emplaced ¹	Means used to identify and record this area as an area in which anti-personnel mines were known to be emplaced ²	Date area identified as an area in which anti-personnel mines were known to be emplaced	Location of area ³	Total area under the State Party's jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines <u>were/are</u> known to be emplaced ⁴
				Total:

¹ A new row should be added for each area under the State Party's jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines were/are known to be emplaced.

² Means may include, for example, general surveys, Landmine Impact Surveys, technical surveys, the use of existing maps, etc.

³ Geographic coordinates, if known, should be indicated.

⁴ This could be presented, for example, in square metres, hectares, etc.

Table B.2: Status of work conducted to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in areas under the State Party's jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines were known to be emplaced

Note: States Parties, particularly those with a large number of mined areas, may wish to append the detailed information called for in Tables B.1 to B.4 in another form as an annex to the extension request. States Parties may wish to append a map displaying mined areas.

Name of area under the State Party's jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines were/are known to be emplaced ⁵	Total area in which the State Party destroyed or ensured the destruction of all anti-personnel mines contained within ⁶	Means used to destroy or ensure the destruction of all emplaced anti-personnel mines, and to assure quality ⁷	Number of anti-personnel mines destroyed	Number of other explosive ordnance destroyed ⁸
	Total:		Total:	Total:

⁵ A row should be included for each area listed in Table B.1.

⁶ This could be denominated, for example, in square metres, hectares, etc. The same type of denomination should be used as in Table B.2.

⁷ This may include a description of the standards used in demining a particular area and the steps taken to ensure quality.

⁸ While it is clear that the Convention applies only to anti-personnel mines, States Parties may wish to report on other ordnance found and destroyed as part of a national demining effort.

Table B.3: Remaining work to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in areas under the State Party's jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines are known to be emplaced

Note: States Parties, particularly those with a large number of mined areas, may wish to append the detailed information called for in Tables B.1 to B.4 in another form as an annex to the extension request. States Parties may wish to append a map displaying mined areas.

Name of area under the State Party's jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines were/are known to be emplaced ⁹	Area in which the State Party must still destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines contained within ¹⁰	Area in which anti-personnel mines are still known be emplaced which <u>have been</u> perimeter-marked, monitored and protected by fencing or other means, to ensure the effective exclusion of civilians	Area in which anti-personnel mines are still known be emplaced which <u>have not been</u> perimeter-marked, monitored and protected by fencing or other means, to ensure the effective exclusion of civilians	Estimated date for destroying or ensuring the destruction of all anti-personnel mines contained within this area
	Total	Total	Total	

Remarks:

⁹ A row should be included for each area listed in Table B.1 in which all anti-personnel mines have not yet been destroyed.

¹⁰ This could be denominated, for example, in square metres, hectares, etc. The same type of denomination should be used as in previous tables.

Table B.5: National planning structure

Type of planning structure	Date of establishment	Ministry responsible	Number of staff	Responsibility for prioritization of mine action tasking (Y/N)

(ii) The financial and technical means available to the State Party for the destruction of all the anti-personnel mines

Article 5.4 (b) (ii) states that each request shall contain a detailed explanation for the proposed extension, including the financial and technical means available to the State Party for the destruction of all the anti-personnel mines (in mined areas under its jurisdiction or control).

Table B.6.1: Financial means made available since entry into force to conduct work under national demining programmes

Year: ¹⁵											
Financial resources made available by the State Party											
Financial resources made available by actors other than the State Party											
Totals:											

Remarks:

Table B.6.2: Financial resources required and/or available to conduct work under national demining programmes during the period covered by the extension request

Year: ¹⁶											
Financial resources committed by the State Party											
Financial resources committed by actors other than the State Party											
Totals:											

Remarks:

¹⁵ A column should be included for each year beginning with the year when the Convention entered into force for the State Party until the present year.

¹⁶ A column should be included for each year beginning with the first year when extension would be in effect until the last year when the extension would be in effect.

Table B.6.3. National mine clearance expertise employed in the demining programme of the State Party for the destruction of all anti-personnel mines since entry into force

Name of mine clearance organization	Type of mine clearance organization ¹⁷	Numbers of organizations	Numbers of demining teams	Status of teams (operational, non-operational)	Supplementary information
		Total:	Total:		

Remarks:

Table B.6.4. National mine clearance expertise expected to be employed in the demining programme during the period covered by the extension request

Name of mine clearance organization	Type of mine clearance organization ¹⁸	Numbers of organizations	Numbers of demining teams	Status of teams (operational, non-operational)	Supplementary information
		Total:	Total:		

Remarks:

¹⁷ e.g. civilian, military, non-for profit, commercial, etc.

¹⁸ e.g. civilian, military, non-for profit, commercial, etc.

Table B.6.5. National explosive ordnance disposal expertise employed in the demining programme since entry into force¹⁹.

Name of organization	Type of organization ²⁰	Numbers of organizations	Numbers of EOD teams	Status of teams (operational, non-operational)	Supplementary information
		Total:	Total:		

Remarks:

Table B.6.6. National explosive ordnance disposal expertise expected to be employed in the demining programme during the period covered by the extension request²¹

Name of organization	Type of organization ²²	Numbers of organizations	Numbers of EOD teams	Status of teams (operational, non-operational)	Supplementary information
		Total:	Total:		

Remarks:

¹⁹ While it is clear that the Convention applies only to anti-personnel mines, the use and availability of explosive ordnance disposal expertise is relevant as it provides considerable additional demining capacity when employed in that role.

²⁰ e.g. civilian, military, non-for profit, commercial, etc.

²¹ See footnote 20.

²² e.g. civilian, military, non-for profit, commercial, etc.

Table B.6.7: International personnel with explosive ordnance disposal expertise engaged to conduct work under national demining programmes during the period covered by the extension request²³

Name of organization	Type of organization ²⁴	Numbers of organizations	Numbers of EOD teams	Status of teams (operational, non-operational)	Supplementary information
		Total:	Total:		

Remarks:

²³ See footnote 20.

²⁴ e.g. civilian, military, non-for profit, commercial, etc.

Table B.7: Mine clearance equipment in the inventory to support work under national demining programmes during the period covered by the extension request

Date of acquisition	Organization responsible for inventory	Detector type held	Total number of detectors	Percentage serviceable		Supplementary information
			Total:	Total:		
Date of acquisition	Organization responsible for inventory	Personal protective equipment type held	Personal protective equipment sets	Percentage serviceable		Supplementary information
			Total:	Total:		
Date of acquisition	Organization responsible for inventory	Mechanical equipment type held	Numbers of equipment held	Percentage serviceable	Number of operators	Supplementary information
			Total:	Total:	Total:	
Date of acquisition	Organization responsible for inventory	Number of dog teams operational	Number of dogs teams in training	Dog age profile		Supplementary information
		Total:	Total:			

Remarks:

(iii) Circumstances which impede the ability of the State Party to destroy all the anti-personnel mines in mined areas

Article 5.4 (b) (iii) states that each request shall contain a detailed explanation for the proposed extension, including circumstances which may impede the ability of the State Party to destroy all the anti-personnel mines in mined areas.

Table B.8: Impeding circumstances

These may include: the original scope of the challenge; lack of control over areas under the State Party's jurisdiction; environmental factors, climatic factors; geographic factors; unusual technical challenges; degree of financial resources made available by the State Party; degree of financial resources made available by actors other than the State Party in response to appeals made by the State Party; timely establishment of national demining programmes.

Circumstance	Comment on circumstance	Degree to which circumstance may impede ability of the State Party to destroy all the anti-personnel mines in mined areas

Form C: The humanitarian, social, economic, and environmental implications of the proposed extension

Article 5.4 (c) states that each request shall contain the humanitarian, social, economic, and environmental implications of the proposed extension.

Table C.1: Humanitarian implications – victims

These may include: number of individuals injured or killed by anti-personnel mines.

Year ²⁵ :										
Civilians injured										
Civilians killed										
Military injured										
Military killed										
Total										

Table C.2: Humanitarian implications – refugees and internally displaced persons

These may include: the estimated number of refugees and internally displaced persons whose return is impeded by the existence of areas under the State Party’s jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines are known or are suspected to be emplaced.

Refugees	Internally displaced persons	Total

Remarks:

²⁵ A column should be included for each year beginning with the year when the Convention entered into force for the State Party until the present year.

Table C.3: Social and economic implications

These may include: estimated number of people and communities currently affected; estimated economic cost associated with loss of productive land; impact on national development goals.

Implication	Estimate	Basis for this estimate	Supplementary information

Remarks:

Table C.4: Environmental implications

Mined Area	Implication	Supplementary information

Form D: Any other information relevant to the request for the proposed extension

Article 5.4 (d) states that each request shall contain any other information relevant to the request for the proposed extension.

This may include: a year-by-year plan of the suspected mined area which will be released through technical survey and demining; a year-by-year plan of the mined areas and suspected mined areas which will be perimeter-marked, monitored and protected by fencing or other means, to ensure the effective exclusion of civilian until anti-personnel mines contained therein have been destroyed; a year-by-year plan of the productive land to be released; estimated economic benefit associated with the release of productive land; estimated number of communities that will still be affected by areas.

Table D.1: Progress expected during the period covered by the proposed extension

Year ²⁶										

Table D.2: Projected resource requirements during the period covered by the proposed extension

Year										
Total projected financial requirements										
Financial commitment of the State Party										
Requirements for resources from international financial institutions										
Requirements for financial resources from other external actors										

Article 6.1 states “In fulfilling its obligations under this Convention each State Party has the right to seek and receive assistance, where feasible, from other States Parties to the extent possible.” Article 6.4 states “Each State Party in a position to do so shall provide assistance for mine clearance and related activities.”

²⁶ Include a column for every year covered by the proposed extension.