

**PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS
COMMITTEE ON ARTICLE 5 IMPLEMENTATION
(Austria, Canada, Colombia, the Netherlands)**

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PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE 5 BY ARGENTINA

1. In 2010, Argentina reported that the sole circumstance that impeded its ability to destroy all anti-personnel mines in mined areas reported to be under its jurisdiction or control was that Argentina had indicated that it did not have effective control over the areas in question.
2. The Committee recalled the ongoing importance, as noted by the Second Review Conference, of a State Party providing information on changes to the status of the control of mined areas when such a State Party has indicated that matters related to control affect the implementation of Article 5 during extension periods. The Committee concluded that Argentina had acted upon its commitment.
3. The Committee noted that Argentina had submitted a request for extension in 2019 for consideration by the Fourth Review Conference of the States Parties¹.

¹ Argentina's request was submitted on 19 March 2019 for consideration at the Fourth Review Conference. The Committee is currently undertaking an analysis of Argentina's request in line with the decisions of the 7MSP, and 12MSP.