

## **Statement of Ukraine on the Article 5 of the Ottawa Convention**

Ukraine welcomes all the efforts of the State Parties done to ensure the fulfillment of the Article 5 of the Convention.

We also understand the complexity of the actual process in detecting and destroying of the anti-personnel mines in mined areas throughout the world. We also know how it is important to receive support, when you need it.

Proceeding from the Article 6 of the Convention we would like to announce that Ukraine is ready to provide the technical assistance for mine clearance and related activities in accordance with the international standards and specific requirements. Our country is able to assist in providing of the highly-skilled personnel and demining dogs. For decades the mine clearance techniques and trainings were sharpened at the Military Engineer's Institute and Mine Clearing Training Center of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

As a good example of such cooperation we consider the successful work of the Ukrainian demining specialists and dogs in Afghanistan as well as demining trainings provided for the experts from Algeria and Tajikistan.