## STANDING COMMITTEE ON MINE CLEARANCE, MINE RISK EDUCATION AND MINE ACTION TECHNOLOGIES

## Questionnaire for States Parties in a position to assist those in the process of fulfilling Article 5 obligations



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## **Background:**

Action #23 of the *Nairobi Action Plan* indicates that "States Parties in a position to do so will act upon their obligations under Article 6 (3) and 6 (4) to promptly assist States Parties with clearly demonstrated needs for external support for mine clearance and mine risk education, responding to the priorities for assistance as articulated by the mine-affected States Parties themselves and ensuring the continuity and sustainability of resource commitments"

In addition, the 1999-2004 review of the Convention, which was adopted by the First Review Conference, noted the challenge of ensuring a renewed commitment "through means such as dedicated funds to assist in the implementation of the Convention and by mainstreaming support to mine action through broader humanitarian, development, peace-building and peace support programmes." Given this agreed language from the First Review Conference, States Parties in a position to do so may wish to provide updates on the basis of the following questions.

## **Questions:**

- 1. What has your State done, since the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties, to promptly assist States Parties with clearly demonstrated needs for external support for mine clearance and mine risk education?
- 2. Since the Seventh Meeting of the States Parties, how has your State used the following means to provide support in the fulfillment of Article 5 obligations?
  - a. <u>Dedicated funds</u> to assist in the implementation of the Convention?
  - b. The integration of support to mine action into <u>humanitarian</u> programmes?
  - c. The integration of support to mine action into <u>development</u> programmes?
  - *d. The integration of support to mine action into <u>peace-building</u> programmes?*
  - e. The integration of support to mine action into <u>peace support</u> programmes?
- 3. What are your plans between now and the Second Review Conference to ensure the continuity and sustainability of resource commitments?