

# CLEARANCE

NGO-HUMAID/LMA 72 Personnel

NGO-LUTCAM/CG 93 Personnel

- ✓ Landmines 2,572 A/P
- ✓ Landmines 69 A/T
- ✓ Cleared Area 1,154,497.19 m<sup>2</sup>



## 2007 Operations Explosive Remnants of War - Paiol







## Clearance Statistics – Paiol

August 2006 – March 2007

Area Cleared	265,026 m2
UXO ( > 60 mm)	19,413
Small caliber munitions ( < 20 mm)	27,121
Minas AT	1
Metal Removed	138,840 kg

## Summary Nov 2000- March 2006

Year	M <sup>2</sup>	AP Mines	AT Mines	UXO > 60mm
2000	15,494.00	250	0	319
2001	145,839.33	1,579	50	91
2002	125,920.55	593	0	12,888
2003	283,470.39	84	0	1,130
2004	215,871.85	25	8	249
2005	119,464.47	26	3	52
2006	230,372.90	4	2	14,890
a)		15	6	164
<b>Total</b>	<b>924,124.29</b>	<b>2,572</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>29,783</b>

a) Mines and UXO handed over to CAAMI by the local population and military

## Challenges/Difficulties

- Need to transport large quantities of munitions to Central Destruction Sites (Rossum e Prabis)
- Lack of explosives (especially high grade, high velocity)
- Destruction, in-situ, of unstable munitions contaminating highly populated areas

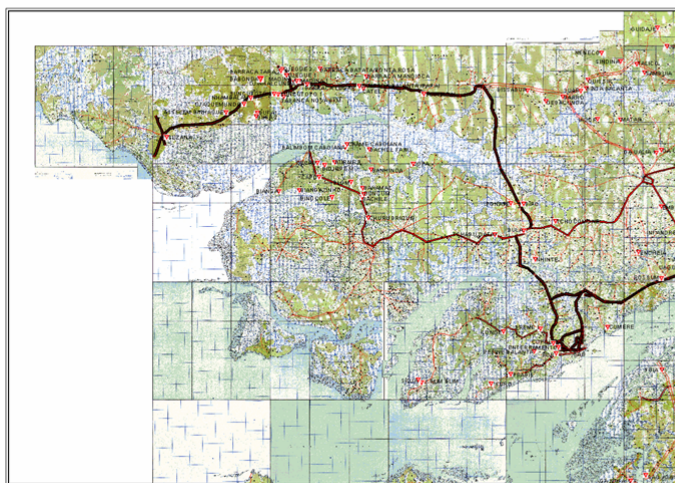
## Impact and General Survey

- Now that the work in Bissau is nearing completion, the next stage of operations will focus on areas outside the capital. As a result, more data regarding the type and nature of mine and UXO contamination is needed, and we are in the process of executing an impact survey or LIS:
  - 1- Completion of the Preliminary Opinion Collection (POC);
  - 2- Launch of a tender to look for an experienced NGO to support CAAMI in carrying out the remaining portions of the survey work;
  - 3- Finally, the results of the survey will be compiled and presented, along with an action plan for the “Completion” of Guinea-Bissau’s Article 5 obligations.

## Preliminary Opinion Collection Map

### República da Guiné-Bissau

POC-Recolha da Opinião Preliminar sobre Pesquisa de Impacto de Minas Terrestres



## Northern Border: Case of Sao Domingos

- Security concerns;
- Lack of financial and material resources;
- Possibility of enhanced efficiency in the area, through close ties between CAAMI and the newly-established Senegal Mine Action Centre in Ziguinchor

## National Commitment

- The National Government currently faces many challenges and considers health and education its most urgent priorities;
- However, Local Governments, close the problems faced by affected communities are increasingly vocal about the blockages they face due to mine and UXO contamination;
- As a result, support has been limited to good will and political support for the Ottawa Convention and the country's obligations. There has been some material in-kind support, but no direct financial contribution by the Government;
- Guinea-Bissau requires financial, technical and logistical support to meet its Convention obligations and to assist communities affected by mines and UXO. The amount required will be clear in the aftermath of the LIS.



## Mine Risk Education

- Financial support from the International Community for MRE significantly reduced over the past two years. This has led to a reduction in the number of MRE “activists” in the country. UNICEF continues to support us with a “symbolic” funding that we are using in the high priority area of S. Domingos, which borders Senegal.





## Mechanical Methodology- MAXX



- The MAXX multi-tool vegetation cutter is the only mechanical asset currently available to the programme. This machine was provided to CAAMI by the US Government, in the framework of a partnership with UNDP.
- Having this mechanical asset has made a significant contribution to the programme, since it has facilitated the efficient operation of clearance NGOs through the following tasks:
  - 1- Vegetation cutting;
  - 2- Excavation in contaminated areas, and for site preparation;
  - 3- Transport of aircraft bombs (50-500kg);
  - 4- Removal of scrap metal from contaminated areas.




**Thank four your attention**  
**We thank all our current and past stakeholders**












*CAAMI's vision is for a Guinea-Bissau  
Free of Landmines and UXO*