

### Organization of American States Mine Action



Final Report on Stockpile Destruction and the Managua Challenge

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#### Dimensions of the Problem



Larger Stockpiles

> Peru\*\* 334,756

Ecuador\*\* 170,344

Nicaragua\*\* 136,813 (46,813 pending)



Medium
Stockpiles

Argentina\*\*

89,170

Brazil\*\*

35,018

Chile\*

22,000

**Colombia\*** 18,294

**Smaller** 

**Stockpiles** 

Honduras\*\*

9,439

(1,690 training)

Uruguay\* 2,338

Total 818,172

\* Landmine Monitor Report 2001

\*\* Article 7



# General Framework of OAS Assistance to Member States

- Development and Execution of National Stockpile Destruction Plans
- Technical Coordination and Advice
- Identification of Financial Resources
- Hemispheric Confidence and Security-Building Measures
- Facilitation of Mechanisms for International Monitoring and Certification
- Other Functions According to OAS Capabilities and Mandates



### The Managua Challenge

Challenges issued to the Signatory States of the Americas in preparation for the Third Meeting of States Parties to the Ottawa Convention to take place in Managua, Nicaragua in September 2001:

- 1. To all remaining signatories, to join the 27 states of the Americas that have completed the ratification process, and to do so in time for Managua.
- 2. To have all of their Article 7 reports completed in time for Managua.
- 3. To arrive in Managua with their stockpiles completely destroyed.



## The Managua Challenge Stockpile Destruction

Country	No. destroyed	No. remaining	Completion
Honduras	7,741	0	Nov 2000
Peru	313,733	0	Sep 2001
Ecuador	158,844	0	Sep 2001
<u>Nicaragua</u>	90,000	46,813	2002
Total	570,318	46,813	

- Financial assistance provided by Governments of Australia and Canada
- Technical assistance provided by Governments of Canada and Nicaragua



#### Outlook

- The Managua Challenge successfully accelerated the stockpile destruction process of several OAS member states.
- The process is continuing in Nicaragua.
- Colombia has requested similar assistance from the OAS.