



**PERMANENT MISSION OF GREECE
GENEVA**

Mr. Co-Chair,

According to our national article 7 transparency report, as well as official data from the Ministry of Defense, as of May 26, 2008, Greece has completed de-mining operations in well above 70% of the areas mined with anti-personnel mines.

Out of the total of 24.751 antipersonnel mines in the above mentioned minefields, 18.450, corresponding to almost 75%, have been cleared so far and destroyed on the site for safety reasons.

Given the progress achieved so far, Greece will be in the position to fulfill its article 5 mine clearance obligations, by 2010, well in advance of the deadline of 2014 established by the provisions of the Treaty.

Thank you, Mr. Co-Chair

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