Mine Ban Convention Standing Committee on Victim Assistance and Social and Economic Reintegration

Consultative Process
2002

Objective of the consultative process

...to provide greater direction to the standing committee in assisting States to meet their obligations under Article 6.3 of the Convention

Obligations of the Treaty (art. 6.3)

"Each State Party in a position to do so shall provide assistance for the care and rehabilitation, and social and economic reintegration, of mine victims and for mine awareness programs. Such assistance may be provided, inter alia, through the United Nations system, international, regional or national organizations or institutions, the International Committee of the Red Cross, national Red Cross and Red Crescent societies and their International Federation, non-governmental organizations, or on a bilateral basis."

Review of the consultative process to date

- Ottawa meeting of experts Oct 2001
- January 2002 Intersessionals:
 - Support for consultative process from SC
 - Side meeting with key stakeholders
 - Interviews with key stakeholders
- Questionnaire mail-out to SP focal points and key stakeholders April 2002

Status of Results

- 115 + questionnaires sent
- <u>20 responses from</u>: Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Columbia, Italy, Mexico, Zimbabwe, LSN, HI, VVAF, OAS, Benin, Jordan, PPNK (Japan), CCD (Canada), GSMMA (Chile), Thailand CBL, LSN Eritrea, Queens University, WHO, independents,

Emerging priorities

• Critical Issues:

- National Planning by State Parties
- Prosthetics/Emergency care
- Economic reintegration

• Roles:

- to request international agencies and organizations to present their plans to address critical issues
- to monitor progress
- to provide a forum where State Parties could better formulate their needs and requirements within their existing capacity

Issues

- Timeframe
- Response rate
- Tendency to identify all critical issues as a priority
- Questionnaire questions not as clear as desired

Next Steps

- Continue consultation:
 - Condensed questionnaire
 - Increased interviews:
 - In person
 - By telephone
 - By email
- The Standing Committee presents recommendations for priorities at 4MSP, Sept 2002
- The Standing Committee decides what plans to develop for implementation of the priorities
- Evaluate and report at 2004 Mine Ban Convention Review Conference

Final result

• You, the Standing Committee, demonstrate in measurable terms, your contribution to assist State Parties to improve services for landmine survivors by the 2004 Treaty Review