



Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR STATES PARTIES AND OTHERS IN A POSITION TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE FOR STOCKPILE DESTRUCTION

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BACKGROUND:

The *Nairobi Action Plan*, adopted at the Convention's First Review Conference in 2004, states that States Parties in a position to do so will:

Action #13: Act upon their obligations under Article 6 (5) to promptly assist States Parties with clearly demonstrated needs for external support for stockpile destruction, responding to priorities for assistance as articulated by those States Parties in need.

Action #14: Support the investigation and further development of technical solutions to overcome the particular challenges associated with destroying PFM mines.

To help assess the status of the application of this portion of the *Nairobi Action Plan*, the Co-Chairs of the Standing Committee on Stockpile Destruction invite those States Parties and others in a position to provide assistance for the destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines to make presentations at the 11-12 May meeting of the Standing Committee on the basis of the following questions.

QUESTIONS:

- **1.** What is your State's / organization's policy / position with respect to assistance for stockpile destruction? Do you have a budget or a fund to support stockpile destruction?
- 2. Since the First Review Conference, what has your State / organization done to promptly assist States Parties with clearly demonstrated needs for external support for stockpile destruction, responding to priorities for assistance as articulated by those States Parties in need?
- **3.** Since the First Review Conference, what has your State / organization done to support the investigation and further development of technical solutions to overcome the particular challenges associated with destroying PFM mines?
- 4. What can / should be done to overcome challenges associated with providing assistance for stockpile destruction programmes?
- 5. Has your State / organization encountered difficulties in identifying an internal funding source that could be used to support other States' stockpile destruction programmes?