

REPUBLIC OF SERBIA
MINE ACTION CENTRE

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON MINE CLEARANCE, MINE RISK
 EDUCATION AND MINE ACTION TECHNOLOGIES**

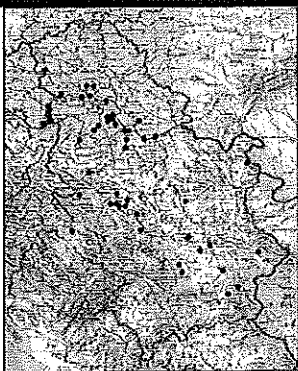
25-29 May 2009
Geneva, Switzerland
AP Mine Ban Convention

SERBIAN MINE ACTION CENTRE



- **Founded in 2002**
- **Jurisdictions of the Centre- State Law on Ministries**
- **Centre's Program of Work adopted by the Government**
- **Funds allocated from the State Budget**

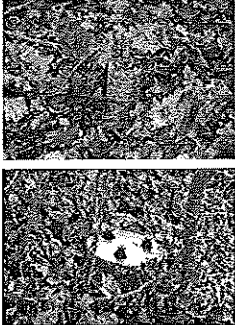
SPECIFICITY OF DEMINING-CLEARANCE PROBLEMS IN SERBIA



- **Minefields**
- **Cluster bombs - munitions**
- **Air bombs - rockets**
- **UXO in vicinity of military depot in Paracin where in 2005 occurred fire and explosion**
- **Danube-Djerdap Gorge German war vessels containing UXO sunk in WW2**

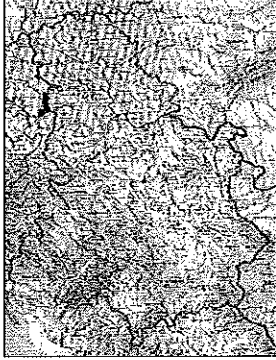
- Shown data do not refer to land and objects of the Army and the Police

MINEFIELDS-DEMINEED since 9 MSP



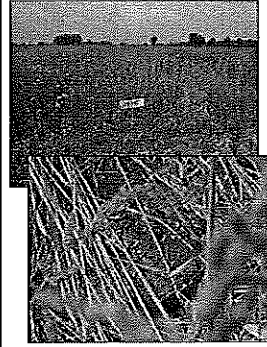
- **Border area with Croatia 705.542 sqm**
- **Funds - donations through ITF**
Donors: Spain, USA, Czech Republic

MINEFIELDS



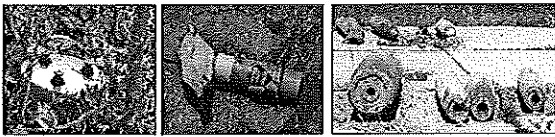
- AP and AT mines
- Border area with Croatia
- Local roads, forests and drainage canals
- Risk area 973.420 sqm
- Serbia without mines by 2009

2009 DEMINING PROGRAM



- Border area with Croatia
- 5 projects - total area of 973.420 m²
- Estimated number of remaining mines around 3.300 AP and AT mines
- Donations through ITF and other sources of financing

DEMINING IN FUNCTION OF DEVELOPMENT



Demining of minefields, clearance of cluster munitions, and disposal of air bombs – rockets and other unexploded ordnance, apart from safety of people and protection of environment will provide conditions for an intensive agricultural production, exploitation of forests, maintenance of drainage canals, reconstruction and building of tourist and industrial facilities, which is in a direct relation with implementation of development projects in the above fields.

Problems related to demining in Serbia are numerous and Serbia alone can hardly solve the problems without the help of the international community and donors.