

**PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA TO THE UN
OFFICE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN GENEVA**

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**SEVENTH MEETING OF THE STATE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON THE
PROHIBITION OF THE USE, STOCKPILING, PRODUCTION AND TRANSFER OF
ANTI-PERSONAL MINES AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION**

ITEM 11 (c): Destroying Stockpiled AP Mines

STATEMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA

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GENEVA, September 19, 2006

Madam President,
Co-chairs,
Colleagues,

Today, I also have the pleasure, on the behalf of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia, to inform about another achievement of my country, beside the one of fulfillment of the Article 5 obligations.

Since the last Meeting of the Standing Committees in May this year, the Republic of Macedonia destroyed all of the 4000 AP Mines that had been previously stocked for development of and training purposes. As of On July 10, 2006, we have fulfilled our obligations in accordance with Article 4 of the Convention.

During the last 6 years the total number of 42 921 stockpiled AP mines are destroyed, among them: 29 968 PMR- 2A; 8 353 PMA-1; 4 080 PAM - 2 and quite smaller number of PMA-3 and PROM 1 . Thus my country becomes state party that no longer holds stockpiled APM.

By doing so, the Republic of Macedonia joins the group of state parties that have reached this important goal of the MBT.

Thank you Madam President.