

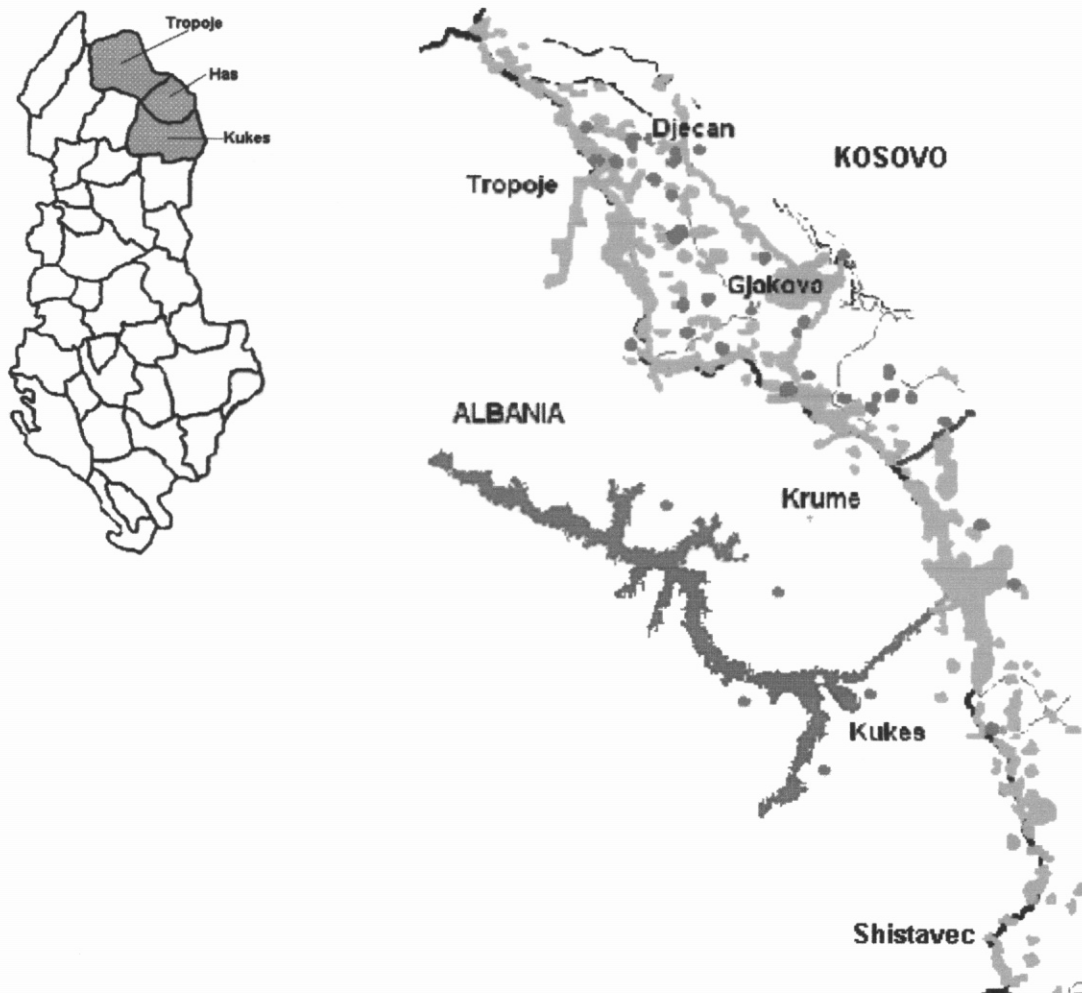
SECTION 3 – LOCATION OF MINED AREAS

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:

c) To the extent possible, the location of all mined areas that contain, or are suspected to contain, anti-personnel mines under its jurisdiction or control, to include as much detail as possible regarding the type and quantity of each type of anti-personnel mine in each mined area and when they were emplaced."

3.1 Albania-Kosovo Border

APM contamination in Albania is limited to the Albania-Kosovo border:



During the Kosovo crisis in 1998/1999 Serb military and para-military forces laid large numbers of mines along the Kosovo border with Northern Albania. In addition to defensive minefields within Kosovo it was discovered that mines were also laid within Albanian territory as both defensive measures, where topographical and tactical conditions made this necessary, and also as an interdiction measure against assembly points and infiltration routes being used by the Kosova Liberation Army (UÇK).

3.2 Mine Types

The mines threat is a combination of anti-personnel mines: PMA-1, PMA-2 and PMA-3 blast mines and PROM and PMR-2A fragmentation mines and anti-tank mines: TMM-1, TMA-4 and TMA-5. Almost all mines encountered have been of Yugoslavian manufacture.

As the crisis escalated and an Allied invasion, (OPERATION ALLIED FORCE), seemed imminent Serb forces subjected possible military forming-up areas and the civilian population to fire from artillery, mortars and the Ababel 50 Multi-Launch Rocket System (MLRS) containing KB-1 sub-munitions. NATO also fired a number of munitions onto the border area, some of which inadvertently landed in Albanian territory.

The result of this military activity is that some 120 kilometres of border up to 400 metres into Albania as well as some isolated munitions impact areas up to 20 kilometres beyond the border are contaminated; a total assessed area of some 1400 hectares.

The contaminated areas are summarised in the maps at paragraph 3.1. One shows the location of the three affected areas and the other delineates the actual areas contaminated along the border with Kosovo. A total of 85 separate contaminated areas have been identified. These are summarised in the table below.

Tables of Identified Mined Areas in Albania

Table 3-1 Tropojë district

Seq. No.	District	Commune	Location	Map Number	Map Sheet Reference	Area (hectares)	Area (hectares)
1	Tropoje	Qerem	Kerahi / Ujku	K-34-53-A-c	21-13-c+d	1.3	
2					22-23-a+b+c	25	
3					22-14-d	12.5	
4					23-14-c	4.37	
5					23-13-a+d	37.5	
6					24-13-a	3.12	19.08.99
7			q. e Ali Qeles		25-12-d	12.5	
8					25-11-b	12.5	20.08.99
9			Stanet e Sulbices	K-34-53-A-d	29-09-a+d	17.5	21.08.99
10					30-09-c	5	
11		Tropoje	m. Brevines	K-34-53-C-b	31-07	8.75	23.08.99
12					31-06	8.75	
13					32-06	12.5	
14			m. Gilaves		35-00	37.5	25.08.99
15					35-99	28.1	
16					36-99	21.8	
17			Gegaj/Kamenice		35-98	13.2	07.09.99
18					36-98	31.2	
19			Kasaj/q. Morin	K-34-53-C-d	35-98	12.5	28.08.99
20					36-98	6.2	
21					34-97	3.1	
22					35-97	37.5	
23			q. Morin P. Nr. 6		34-96	13.1	01.09.99
24					35-96	16.8	
25			Faqja e Uriantes		35-95	21.8	02.09.99
26					36-95	18.7	
27					36-94	12.5	
28					35-94	21.8	
29					35-93	28.1	
30			m. I Zymit		37-92-b+d	25	06.09.99
31			Lugu i zi/q. e Qobanit		37-91a+d	25	09.09.99
32			Lugu i zi/m. Pellumbit		37-90-a+c	19.6	15.09.99
33			q. e Gjonajve		37-89-b+d	25	15.09.99
34		Pac	Zherke / m. Padines	K-34-65-A-b	37-88	21.8	16.09.99

Seq No	District	Commune	Location	Map Number	Map Sheet Reference	Area (Hectares)	Area Marked
35					37-87	9.3	
36			Zogaj / Stobert	K-34-65-B-a	38-87	21.8	17.09.99
37					39-87	17.5	
38			m. Sulca e Lekes		40-87	25	18.09.99
39					41-87	37.5	
40			Zogaj fq. e Veres		42-87-a+c	21.8	19.09.99
41			Zogaj/ m. Gjate		43-87	21.8	20.09.99
42					42-86	6.2	
43					43-86	6.2	
44			Zogaj fq. Kacines		44-87	31.2	
45					45-88	32.8	06.08.99
46				K-34-65-B-a	45-87	17.5	
47					46-87	37.5	
48			Zogaj/ m. Kralices		46-86	37.5	09.08.99
49					47-86	12.5	
50					47-85	25	
51					48-85	12.5	
TOTAL			TRIFESH			574.13	

Table 3-2 Has district

Seq No	District	Commune	Location	Map Number	Map Sheet Reference	Area (Hectares)	Area Marked
52	Has	Letaj	q. Prushit	K-34-65-B-b	48-85	15.6	09.08.99
53					(49-85) +(49-84)	25	
54			I.Kurpal		50-85	3.1	10.08.99
55					50-84	25	
56			I. Bardhosh		50-83-a-b	37.5	11.08.99
57		Golaj	Dobruna/ Zylfaj		51-83-c-d	25	12.08.99
58			m.Shkulzes		52-83	15.6	12.08.99
59					52-82	15.6	
60					53-82	25	
61			m. Shullanit		54-82-c-d	25	13.08.99
62		Golaj/Dobruna	Shpella e Pellumbave		(55-82) + (55-81)	34.3	13.08.99
63		Vlahena	m. Kunoies		(56-81) +(56-80)	26.2	16.08.99
64					57-79	8.7	
65			q. e Mullareve	K-34-65-B-d	57-79	9.3	17.08.99
66					58-78	17.5	
67			m. Pishes/Pashtrik	K-34-66-A-c	58-59	17.5	18.08.99
68					(59-77) + (59-76)	13.1	
69		Kishaj	Pogaj		61-71	8.7	20.08.99
70					62-72	2.5	
71				k-34-66-C-a	62-70	1.2	
TOTAL			HAS			363.4	

Table 3-3 Kukës district

Seq No	District	Commune	Location	Map Number	Map Sheet Reference	Area (Hectares)	Area Marked
72		Bardhoc	Morini	K-34-66-C-a	62-69	2.5	26.08.99
73					62-68	1.2	
74					63-68	7.5	
75					63-67	7.5	
76			Livadhet e Camerise		63-66-b-d	5.6	27.08.99
77			Piramida Nr.12		64-66	2.8	30.08.99
78					64-65	17.5	
79			Padina e madhe		63-63-b	4.3	30.08.99
80			Padina e vogel p.13		64-62-a	1.8	31.08.99
81	Kukes	Zapod	Pakisht	K-34-66-C-c	65-57-a-c	3.7	01.09.99
82			Orgjost		66-56-c	3.7	03.09.99
83			Borje / m.Zeze		66-54	6.2	07.09.99
84					66-53	6.2	
85		Shishtavec	Livadhet mbi P.K	K-34-78-A-a	68-49-a-b	2	10.09.99
TOTAL			KUKES			71.4	
GRAND TOTAL						1400 ha	

3.3 Other mine affected areas.

There are no other known mine affected areas in Albania. Property owned by the Ministry of Defense mined as protective defense measures in former times was cleared by the AAF prior to ratification of the Treaty in February 2000.