

CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE USE, STOCKPILING, PRODUCTION AND TRANSFER OF ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION

Reporting Formats for Article 7

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Form A National implementation measures

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:
a) The national implementation measures referred to in Article 9."

Remark: n accordance with Article 9, "Each State Party shall take all appropriate legal, administrative and other measures, including the imposition of penal sanctions, to prevent and suppress any activity prohibited to a State Party under this Convention undertaken by persons or on territory under its jurisdiction or control".

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| Measures | Considering that Vanuatu is still in the initial year of becoming a State-Party to the Ottawa Convention, nothing by way of legal, administrative or other measures has been achieved so far. |
| | Supplementary information (e.g., effective date of implementation & text of legislation attached). |

Form B Stockpiled anti-personnel mines

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

b) The total of all stockpiled anti-personnel mines owned or possessed by it, or under its jurisdiction or control, to include a breakdown of the type, quantity and, if possible, lot numbers of each type of anti-personnel mine stockpiled."

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| Type | Quantity | Lot # (if possible) | Supplementary information |
|------------------------|-----------|---------------------|--|
| USA World War II Types | Not known | | Quantity of US World War II mines are highly likely to be buried on the northern part of Efate Island and surrounding islands of Northern Efate, and Luganville, Espiritu Santo Island and surrounding islands of Espiritu Santo. The total number of mines at this point in time is not known because it will require close survey program for de-mining in the areas indicated in this report. |
| TOTAL | Not known | | |

Form C 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 employed."

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1. Areas that contain mines*

| Location | Type | Quantity | Date of emplacement | Supplementary information |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------|--|
| Moso Island and Port Havana in North Efate, and Luganville, Espiritu Santo Island | US WWII mines | Not known | 1940 – 1942 | Requires urgent de-mining activities in the vicinities |
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2. Areas suspected to contain mines*

| Location | Type | Quantity | Date of emplacement | Supplementary information |
|------------------------------|----------------|-----------|---------------------|--|
| Fanafo, Mavea & Aore Islands | US WW II mines | Not known | 1940 – 1942 | Requires urgent de-mining activities in the vicinities |
| South Santo | US WW II mines | Not known | 1940 – 1942 | Requires urgent de-mining activities in the vicinities |

* If necessary, a separate table for each mined area may be provided

Form D APMs retained or transferred

Article 7.1

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

d) The types, quantities and, if possible, lot numbers of all anti-personnel mines retained or transferred for the development of and training in mine detection, mine clearance or mine destruction techniques, or transferred for the purpose of destruction, as well as the institutions authorized by a State Party to retain or transfer anti-personnel mines, in accordance with Article 3"

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1. Retained for development of and training in (Article 3, para.1)

| Institution authorized by State Party | Type | Quantity | Lot # (if possible) | Supplementary information |
|---------------------------------------|------|----------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| TOTAL | N/A | N/A | | |

Form D (continued)

2. Transferred for development of and training in (Article 3, para.1)

| Institution authorized by State Party | Type | Quantity | Lot # (if possible) | Supplementary information: e.g. transferred from, transferred to |
|---------------------------------------|------|----------|---------------------|---|
| Vanuatu Police Force | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| TOTAL | N/A | | | |

3. Transferred for the purpose of destruction (Article 3, para.2)

| Institution authorized by State Party | Type | Quantity | Lot # (if possible) | Supplementary information: e.g. transferred from, transferred to |
|---------------------------------------|------|----------|---------------------|---|
| Vanuatu Police Force | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| TOTAL | N/A | N/A | | |

Form E Status of programs for conversion or de-commissioning of APM production facilities

Article 7.1 "Each State Party shall report to the Secretary-General ... on:
 e) The status of programs for the conversion or de-commissioning of anti-personnel mine production facilities."

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| Indicate if to "convert" or "decommission" | Status (indicate if "in process" or "completed") | Supplementary information |
|---|--|---------------------------|
| Vanuatu has no APM production facilities. | N/A | N/A |
| <p>Note: Should any mines or war implements be identified (i.e. after a survey is conducted), then it is possible that a de-commissioning facility shall be put up.</p> | | |

Form F Status of programs for destruction of APMs

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

f) The status of programs for the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with Articles 4 and 5, including details of the methods which will be used in destruction, the location of all destruction sites and the applicable safety and environmental standards to be observed."

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1. Status of programs for destruction of stockpiled APMs (Article 4)

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| Description of the status of programs including: | |
| Location of destruction sites | Details of: |
| To be determined after a survey shall have been conducted on the type, classification, etc. of mines. | Methods - |
| | Applicable safety standards - |
| | Applicable environmental standards - |

2. Status of programs for destruction of APMs in mined areas (Article 5)

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|---|------------------------------------|
| Description of the status of programs including: | |
| Location of destruction sites | Details of: |
| To be determined after a survey shall have been conducted on the type, classification, etc. of mines. | Methods |
| | Applicable safety standards |
| | Applicable environmental standards |

Form G APMs destroyed after entry into force

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

g) The types and quantities of all anti-personnel mines destroyed after the entry into force of this Convention for that State Party, to include a breakdown of the quantity of each type of anti-personnel mine destroyed, in accordance with Articles 4 and 5, respectively, along with, if possible, the lot numbers of each type anti-personnel mine in the case of destruction in accordance with Article 4"

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1. Destruction of stockpiled APMs (Article 4)

| Type | Quantity | Lot # (if possible) | Supplementary information |
|--------------|----------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
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| TOTAL | N/A | | |

2. Destruction of APMs in mined areas (Article 5)

| Type | Quantity | Supplementary information |
|--------------|----------|---------------------------|
| N/A | N/A | N/A |
| TOTAL | N/A | |

Form H Technical characteristics of each type produced/owned or possessed

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

- h) The technical characteristics of each type of anti-personnel mine produced, to the extent known, and those currently owned or possessed by a State Party, giving, where reasonably possible, such categories of information as may facilitate identification and clearance of anti-personnel mines; at a minimum, this information shall include the dimensions, fusing, explosive content, metallic content, colour photographs and other information which may facilitate mine clearance"

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1. Technical characteristics of each APM-type produced

| Type | Dimensions | Fusing | Explosive content | | Metallic content | Colour photo attached | Supplementary information to facilitate mine clearance. |
|------|------------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|---|
| | | | type | grams | | | |
| N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

Note:

As to those mines or war implements that the US left behind after the WW II, the Vanuatu Police Force has no means of disclosing them until an appropriate de-mining programme is conducted in Vanuatu. In this regard, Vanuatu needs technical assistance in going about the whole procedure of de-mining the identified sites.

Form H (continued)

2. Technical characteristics of each APM-type currently owned or possessed

| Type | Dimensions | Fusing | Explosive content | | Metallic content | Colour photo attached | Supplementary information to facilitate mine clearance. |
|------|------------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|---|
| | | | Type | Grams | | | |
| N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
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Form I Measures to provide warning to the population

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

- i) The measures taken to provide an immediate and effective warning to the population in relation to all areas identified under paragraph 2 of Article 5."

Remark: In accordance with Article 5, para.2: "Each State Party shall make every effort to identify all areas under its jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines are known or suspected to be emplaced and shall ensure as soon as possible that all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under its jurisdiction or control are perimeter-marked, monitored and protected by fencing or other means, to ensure the effective exclusion of civilians, until all anti-personnel mines contained therein have been destroyed. The marking shall at least be to the standards set out in the Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices, as amended on 3 May 1996, annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects".

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[Narrative:]

Since there has been no accurate determination (either through a survey or empirical research) of mines and war implements that were left behind after the WW II, the Vanuatu Police Force (VPF) anticipates that the threat to the local population is too critical. Therefore, Vanuatu is requesting for technical assistance in inspecting, surveying, determining, and possibly de-commissioning suspected sites hereinabove mentioned.

Form J

Mine Action

Remark: States Parties may use this form to report on other relevant matters, including matters pertaining to compliance and implementation not covered by the formal reporting requirements contained in Article 7. States Parties are encouraged to use this form to report on activities undertaken with respect to Article 6, and in particular to report on assistance provided for the care and rehabilitation, social and economic reintegration, of mine victims.

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