



**PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF UKRAINE
to the UN Office and other International Organizations in Geneva**

4133-1631

Geneva, November 14, 2018

Your Excellency,

In response to your letter of November 7, 2018 please find enclosed Ukraine's replies to the questions contained therewith regarding our country's APMBC Article 5 extension request (submitted to the Secretariat of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention via Note Verbal of the Permanent Mission of Ukraine in Geneva № 384/017, dated November 1, 2018).

I would also like to inform that the new contact details of the focal point of the Ukrainian side with regards to the matters related to Ukraine's Article 5 extension request are as follows: tel.: +38-044-238-1684; fax: +38-044-238-1881; e-mail: uko@mfa.gov.ua.

Enclosed: as stated, on 6 pages.

Sincerely yours,

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**H.E. Ms. Sabrina Dallafior,
Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the Conference on
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Chair of the APMBC Committee on Article 5 Implementation**

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CC: APMBC Implementation Support Unit

1. Additional information for the areas containing or suspected to contain antipersonnel mines, including ones of improvised nature, progress regarding their demining, as well as identified and destroyed munitions.

Coordinates				Area (m ²)	Additional information
From	To	UTM X	UTM Y		
BM SP TP1 TP2 TP3 TP4 TP5	SP TP1 TP2 TP3 TP4 TP5 SP	389578 389642 389256 389238 389348 389415 389578	5274377 5273728 5273632 5273660 5274045 5274195 5274377	172131	Field near Volnovakha, Volnovakha district of Donetsk region. Non-technical survey was performed by non-governmental organizations, area is suspected to contain antipersonnel mines, including improvised explosive devices acting as antipersonnel mines
BM SP TP1 TP2 TP3 TP4 TP5 TP6 TP7 TP8 TP9 TP10	SP TP1 TP2 TP3 TP4 TP5 TP6 TP7 TP8 TP9 TP10 SP	447364 448584 448609 448687 448696 448692 448666 448576 448528 448487 448448 448511	5405760 5406082 5406071 5406065 5406039 5405920 5405744 5405742 5405784 5405786 5405810 5405939	55170	Forest belt and field near Volcheyarivka, Popasna district of Lugansk region. Non-technical survey was performed by non-governmental organizations, area suspected to contain antipersonnel mines
BM SP TP1 TP2 TP3	SP TP1 TP2 TP3 SP	0403455 0403485 0403511 0403375 0403316	5409530 5409467 5409404 5409382 5409433	9882	Kotovskii, Slov'yanskii district of Donetsk region. Non-technical survey was performed by non-governmental organizations, area is confirmed to be dangerous, antipersonnel mine MOH-50 was discovered (UTM X 0403493 UTM Y 5409440)
P1 TP2 TP3 TP4 TP5 TP6 TP7 TP8 TP9 TP10	SP TP1 TP2 TP3 TP4 TP5 TP6 TP7 TP8 TP9 TP10 SP	0402737 0402641 0402583 0402540 0402541 0402566 0402814 0402844 0402852 0402761 0402716 0402673	5411597 5411571 5411597 5411643 5411698 5411747 5411803 5411795 5411675 5411663 5411645 5411630	43314	Semenivka, Slov'yanskii district of Donetsk region. Non-technical survey was performed by non-governmental organizations, area is confirmed to be dangerous, cattle was killed by antipersonnel mine MOH-50 blast (UTM X 0403521 UTM Y 5412112)

Coordinates				Area (m ²)	Additional information
From	To	UTM X	UTM Y		
BM	SP	0419287	5414855		Ozerne, Lyman district of Donetsk region Non-technical survey was performed by non-governmental organizations, area is confirmed to be dangerous, antipersonnel mine MOH-90 was discovered (position of illegal detachment at UTM X 0419482 UTM Y 5414881)
SP	TP1	0419383	5414840		
TP1	TP2	0419389	5414870		
TP2	TP3	0419400	5414898		
TP3	TP4	0419413	5414913		
TP4	TP5	0419426	5414929		
TP5	TP6	0419450	5414944		
TP6	TP7	0419490	5414969		
TP7	TP8	0419515	5414987		
TP8	TP9	0419544	5415014		
TP9	TP10	0419565	5415038		
TP10	TP11	0419576	5415067		
TP11	TP12	0419591	5415103		
TP12	TP13	0419592	5415121		
TP13	TP14	0419595	5415147		
TP14	TP15	0419593	5415185		
TP15	TP16	0419589	5415228		
TP16	TP17	0419586	5415251		
TP17	TP18	0419575	5415315		
TP18	TP19	0419586	5415335		
TP19	TP20	0419642	5415355		
TP20	TP21	0419630	5415308		
TP21	TP22	0419628	5415256		
TP22	TP23	0419635	5415206		
TP23	TP24	0419638	5415206		
TP24	TP25	0419647	5415148		
TP25	TP26	0419656	5415054		
TP26	TP27	0419652	5415037		
TP27	TP28	0419642	5415022		
TP28	TP29	0419632	5415005		
TP29	TP30	0419484	5414881		
TP30	TP31	0419472	5414871		
TP31	TP32	0419446	5414851		
TP32	SP	0419423	5414838		
BM	BM	0413627	5412225	5412211	Ray-Oleksadrivka, Slov'yansk district of Donetsk region Non-technical survey was performed by non-governmental organizations, area is suspected to contain antipersonnel mines, including improvised explosive devices acting as antipersonnel mines
SP1	SP1	0413838	5412232		
TP1	TP1	0413959	5472223		
TP2	TP2	0414143	5412204		
TP3	TP3	0414256	5412189		
TP4	TP4	0414388	5412186		
TP5	TP5	0414499	5412171		
TP6	TP6	0414494	5412154		
TP7	TP7	0414338	5412166		
TP8	TP8	0414209	5412175		
TP9	TP9	0414059	5412189		
TP10	TP10	0413839	5412216		
BM	SP2	1413627	5412225		
SP2	TP1	0413827	5412271		
TP1	TP2	0413840	5412087		
TP2	TP3	0413825	5412084		
TP3	SP2	0413820	5412211		

2. Samples of discovered improvised explosive devices, acting as antipersonnel mines, in the mentioned areas.



Improvised explosive devices made of hand grenades, activated with stretch. Improvised explosive devices made of large-caliber rounds and hand grenades, activated with stretch.

Pyrotechnical groups of the State Emergency Service of Ukraine (PG SESU) provided rapid responses to all cases of survey of explosive devices and performed schedule work on humanitarian demining in Donetsk and Lugansk regions, polluted by dangerous explosive devices (DED) thus need relevant work.

As of November 13, 2018 over 3 700 hectares of lands and 16 hectares of water areas on the liberated territories in Donetsk and Lugansk regions were cleared; over 22 600 of DED were deactivated, including 17 specially planted extremely dangerous explosive devices.

Since the beginning of work in July 2014 the PG SESU have cleared over 25 700 hectares of lands and 93 hectares of water areas, having demined near 1 000

objects of social infrastructure and life support; rendered innocuous 164 200 DED, including 832 extremely DED, in particular on stretches, mounted and equipped with anti-handling devices, antipersonnel and antitank mines, as well as using artillery and mortar munitions (land mines).

Pic. Improvised explosive devices discovered by the SESU during survey and clearance of explosive devices in the territory of Donetsk and Lugansk regions





3. The consideration of the State Mine Action Program of Ukraine for 2017-2021 (hereinafter the Program) was postponed until adoption of relevant mine action legislation. Implementation of the Program foresees allocations for mine actions at the expense of the State budget, as well as allocation for the state central executive bodies.

4. The Action plan on humanitarian demining of the territories liberated in Donetsk and Lugansk districts was submitted as Annex A along with information for extension request under Article 5 of the Ottawa convention.

5. On November 5, 2018 the Verkhovna Rada (Parliament) of Ukraine passed in the first reading the draft law of Ukraine on Mine Action.

6. If a term of request counts as precise as months, Ukraine will make correction in its request i.e. until June 1, 2021 to fully stick with its 5 year extension time. The point was to synchronize relevant Ukrainian activity with the decision making process under the Ottawa convention events.

7. The activities of the non-governmental organizations like the Halo Trust, the DDG and FSD are managed by the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine in accordance with agreements signed by the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine and the branches of the said organizations based in Ukraine. Their assignments are formulated by the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine by their involvement into fulfillment of the Action plan for humanitarian demining works on the liberated territories in Donetsk and Lugansk regions. A work permit to operate in the area of the Joint Forces Operation (JFO) is to be issued by the JFO Headquarters on the proposal of the Department of environmental safety and mine action of the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine (in its capacity as the National organ for mine action).

The Ministry of Defence of Ukraine through the Joint Operation Headquarters (JOH) of the Armed Forces of Ukraine coordinates activities of the non-governmental organizations (including international ones). In accordance with orders of the JOH the PG SESU undertake systematic demining work to demine 15-kilometers zone from the contact line, as well as take part in escorting the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine within so called “grey zone”. Beside this, the JOH directs the PG SESU to destroy the explosive devices, taken by the non-governmental organizations.

8. Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine №1071 of December 13, 2017 defined the Ministry for Temporary Occupied Territories and Internally Displaced Persons of Ukraine as a state customer of the State Program for Restoration and Development of Peace in Eastern Regions of Ukraine (hereinafter - Program). The SESU, subordinated to the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine, carries out the Program by humanitarian demining on territories and water areas in Donetsk and Luhansk regions (survey as well as clearance of mines and explosive devices, remaining after antiterrorist operation). Relevant activities are performed at the expense of the State budget of Ukraine.