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The Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations Office in Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mozambique to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva and has the honour to hereby present Greece's report in line with Action 5 of the Maputo Action Plan, adopted on 27 June 2014:

"The transfer and destruction of the stockpile of our Antipersonnel Landmines were in full swing until the 1st of October 2014 at the facilities of the subcontractor, namely the company "VIDEX" in Bulgaria, when an explosion, of yet uncertain origin, killed 15 people and destroyed the facilities of the aforementioned company. The company has since suspended indefinitely operations, pending the findings of an ongoing investigation conducted by the competent Bulgarian authorities.

Until the time of destruction, "VIDEX" had demilitarized 262.932 mines, of a total number of 953,285 mines, and issued 14 certificates of destruction.

At the Maputo Review Conference, Greece had indicated that stockpile destruction would be completed by the end of 2015. Given the current circumstances, we are reviewing all possible options in an effort to maintain our initial timetable and meet the deadline as indicated in Maputo."

The Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations Office in Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mozambique to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva the assurances of its highest consideration.

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