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NAME OF STATE [PARTY]: BELGIUM

REPORTING PERIOD: 01/01/2005 to 31/12/2005

Form A: National implementation measures: unchanged (last reporting: 2002)	Form F: Program of APM destruction: unchanged (last reporting: 2002) not applicable
Form B: Stockpiled anti-personnel mines: unchanged (last reporting: 2002) not applicable	Form G: APM destroyed: changed
Form C: Location of mined areas: unchanged (last reporting: 2002) not applicable	Form H: Technical characteristics: changed
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Unchanged (last reporting: 2005)	unchanged (last reporting: 2002) not applicable
Form E: Status of conversion programs: unchanged (last reporting: 2002)	Form J: Other Relevant Matters changed

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Form J: Other relevant matters

Remark: States Parties may use this form to report voluntarily 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, and social and economic reintegration, of mine victims.

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Narrative / reference to other reports

1. From the stock retained under Article 3, no live mines were needed at this stage for research and development studies.

2. Belgian contribution to international assistance in 2005

A. In 2005, Belgian expenditure for international assistance, as shown in the table attached, amounted to more than 2.000.000€
In addition, assistance in kind is made available for de-mining as well as the development of new technologies.

B. The Belgian Ministry of Defence organised EOD courses (EOD Team Chief) open to foreign military in 2005. From 16 slots that were available in 2005, 10 were occupied by military and civilians from ANGOLA, BENIN, Democratic Republic of Congo, RWANDA and CAMBODIA. Total cost estimated at 96.000 €.

C. Summarizing table 2005

(1) Burundi

Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation

501.742 €

DAN CHURCH AID- Humanitarian Demining in Province of Makamba

(2) Bosnia – Herzegovina

80.000 €

Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation

Assistance to de-mining in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Slovenian Trust Fund for de-mining in Bosnia-Herzegovina

(3) RDC

- Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs

369.222€

MAG-Humanitarian Mine Action in South-East of Congo

- Ministry Of Defence

(Kalémie): In kind (estimated at 9.000 Euro for one month mission)

03 UXO Clearance Diver experts to manage ammunition storage and destroy dangerous ammunitions.

(4) Laos

-Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Defence

Financial **367.158 Euro** and in kind (Estimated at 36.000 EURO) 2 EOD Operators as technical advisers to the Lao National Unexploded Ordnance Program until 01 Apr 05.

UXO clearance - capacity-building

UXO clearance in the province of CHAMPASSAK Ministry of Defence

(5) Kosovo

Ministry of Defence

In kind (estimated at 150 000 Euro per years mission)

3 UXO clearance experts involved in UXO clearance - capacity-building until 15 Jul 05

The UXO clearance is executed in conformity with the mandate of KFOR and assistance to local de-mining organisations.

(6) Indonesia

Ministry of Defence

In kind (estimated at 26.000 EURO per four months mission)

4 UXO clearance experts involved in EU ACEH Monitoring mission from Sep 05 till Dec 05 in support of the decommissioning of the GAM (demolition of mines and ammunition).

(7) Irak

Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation

490.180 €

MAG(Mine Advisory Group),

“Humanitarian Mine Action-North Irak ” in Irak.

(8) Afghanistan

Ministry of Defence

In kind (estimated at 58.800 EURO per four months mission)

4 UXO clearance experts in KABUL until March 05 and 09 UXO clearance experts since August 05 in the PRT KUNDUZ and FEYZABAD.

(9) Development of Standard for Humanitarian Demining

Ministry of Defence.

In kind (Estimated at 1600 EURO).

1 military is a “full-time” member of the Review Board of the International Mine Action Standards (IMAS RB) and also of the CEN WG 126 and its sub-groups (Development of standardisation for Humanitarian Demining).

(10) PARADIS

Ministry of Defence

Financial **86.500 EURO**

Research and Development

Developing a software instrument for de-mine planning and follow- up of de-mining operations.

Royal Military Academy

(11) BEMAT (=HUDEM follow- on project)

Ministry of Defence

Financial **224.414 EURO**

Research and Development:

Analysing and developing technologies for close-in detection of mines and remote area reduction

Royal Military Academy and the Catholic University of Louvain-la-Neuve

(12) National support to the International Test & Evaluation Program (ITEP) MoU

Ministry of Defence

Financial **122.800 EURO**

Tests and Evaluation assisted by 01 military UXO experts and 01 scientist in ANGOLA during three weeks.

Developing standards for testing and evaluating performances of de-mining tools to be fielded as well as testing and evaluating those tools (Royal Military Academy)

(13) Landmine Monitor

50.000 Euro

Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Financial

Advocacy and Prevention

Assistance to Landmine Monitor in reviewing the implementation of the Convention

(14) GICHD:

25.000€ Sponsorship programme

25.000€ Implementation Service Unit

(15) Contribution to project EC/DG INFSO Project “Space- and Airborn Area Reduction Tools (SMART)”

Ministry of Defence

In kind (estimated 12.000 EURO).

Continuation of the support to CROMAC

Development of processing algorithms tailored to produce a risk assessment and danger map from context information and data collected above four contaminated areas in Croatia by an airship platform equipped with polarimetric SAR and a multispectral sensor

Royal Military Academy

(16) Support of the Belgian Bomb Disposal Unit to project EC / DG INFSO Project “Concept for Low-risk Efficient Area Reduction based on the Fusion of Advanced Sensor Technologies (CLEARFAST)”

Ministry of Defence

Financial (estimated 10.000 EURO)

Cost of infrastructure and personnel in support of the trials. The project is conducted by VUB (BEL) in collaboration with RLS (GER), BACTEC (GBR), TAMAM (IRL)

Clear Fast proposes a two-step concept for Level 2 surveys: Level 2A is a long-range observation under changing natural illumination of the suspected area, using a Multi-Spectral IR (MSIR) sensor and time sequence analysis. Level 2B minefield delineation/area reduction is based on a multi-sensor array and data fusion technology.

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

Reporting Formats for Article 7 ¹

STATE PARTY:

BELGIUM

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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: In 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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 from _____

<i>Measures</i>	Supplementary information (e.g., effective date of implementation & text of legislation attached).
Law of 9 March 1995 on anti-personnel mines, booby traps and similar devices	<u>11 April 1995</u>
Law of 24 June 1996 amending the Law of 3 January 1933 on arms production and trade, on the carrying of weapons and on ammunition trade, with a view to prohibiting the Belgian State and public services from storing anti-personnel mines.	<u>19 July 1996</u>
Law of 10 August 1998 on the ratification of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and their Destruction. Law of 30 March 2000 on the definitive prohibition of anti-personnel mines. This law simplified the existing procedure by canceling the five years moratorium.	<u>28 December 1998</u> <u>17 April 2000</u>

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 emplaced."

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1. Areas that contain mines*

Location	Type	Quantity	Date of emplacement	Supplementary information
NOT APPLICABLE				

2. Areas suspected to contain mines*

Location	Type	Quantity	Date of emplacement	Supplementary information
NOT APPLICABLE				

* 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
ARMED FORCES	MB 35 Bg	4176		<u>As of 01 January 2005</u>
	MB 35 Bg	3820		<u>As of 31 December 2005</u>
TOTAL		3820		356 used for training purposes in accordance with Article 3 of the Convention (see Form G)

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
NOT APPLICABLE				
TOTAL	-----			

Form D (continued)

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
NOT APPLICABLE				
TOTAL	-----			

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
NOTHING TO REPORT		

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)

Description of the status of programs including:	Details of:
Location of destruction sites	
NOT APPLICABLE	Methods
	Applicable safety standards
	Applicable environmental standards

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

Discription of the status of programs including:	Details of:
Location of destruction sites	
NOT APPLICABLE	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
M 35 Bg	4489		Destroyed by our EOD Service in 1998
	424		1999, for training purposes in accordance with Article 3 of the Convention
	383		2000, at the Engineer School, 290 mines were used to educate 106 officers, NCO and soldiers as EOD personnel and to train 3010 militaries from combat units in" Mine Awareness" In Engineer Combat Units, 93 mines served for the operational training of their de-miners.
	334		2001, at the Engineer School, 190 mines were used to educate 13 NCO as EOD personnel and to train 3169 militaries from combat units in" Mine Awareness" EOD Service made explode 5 mines for training their personnel in humanitarian de-mining. In Engineer Combat Units, 139 mines served for the operational training of their de-miners.
	293		2002, At the Engineer School, 158 mines were used to educate NCOs as EOD

		personnel and to train 3550 militaries from combat units in" Mine Awareness"
	363	In Engineer Combat Units, 135 mines served for the operational training of their de-miners.
		2003, At the Engineer School, 182 mines were used to educate Officers, NCOs and privates as EOD personnel. In Engineer Combat Units, 181 mines served for the operational training of their de-miners and and to train militaries from combat units in" Mine Awareness" (In accordance with the Article 3 of the convention).
	356	2005 At the Engineer School, 18 mines were used to educate Officers, NCOs and privates as EOD personnel. In Engineer Combat Units, 338 mines served for the operational training of their de-miners and and to train militaries from combat units in" Mine Awareness" (In accordance with the Article 3 of the convention).
TOTAL	6642	

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

Type	Quantity	Supplementary information
NOT APPLICABLE		
TOTAL		

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, color 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	Supple facilita
			type	grams			
NOT APPLICABLE							

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

Type	Dimensions	Fusing	Explosive content		Metallic content	Colour photo attached	Supple facilita
			type	grams			
M 35 Bg	Ø 67 mm	Detonating type M 5A1Bg	TNT	102 gr	35 gr	No	

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:] **NOT APPLICABLE**