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DECISION No. 7/04 UPDATING THE OSCE QUESTIONNAIRE ON ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES AND EXPLOSIVE REMNANTS OF WAR

The Forum for Security Co-operation,

Recalling the aims of the 1996 Amended Protocol II on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices annexed to the 1980 Convention on Conventional Weapons; of the 1997 Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction; and of the 2003 Protocol V on Explosive Remnants of War annexed to the 1980 Convention on Conventional Weapons,

Recognizing the enduring value of a substantial information exchange in the OSCE on the subject of anti-personnel mines,

Acknowledging that the existing information exchange (FSC.DEC/14/97/Corr., 3 December 1997) is out-of-date,

Decides:

- That this Decision and its Annexes will fully replace FSC Decision No.14/97/Corr. and its Annex;
- To begin the first annual information exchange on 31 May 2005;
- To request the CPC to take into account this information exchange in its periodical surveys;
- To keep this issue under consideration, including through a special discussion in appropriate FSC fora.

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OSCE QUESTIONNAIRE ON ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES

To be submitted no later than 31 May of each year (starting in May 2005)

Part I

1. Is your country a State Party to the 1996 Amended Protocol II on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices annexed to the 1980 Convention on Conventional Weapons (CCW)?

If yes:

2. Please attach the most recent annual report submitted by your country in accordance with Article 13 of the Amended Protocol or give the appropriate electronic address for the report.

If no:

3. Is your country considering ratification/accession to the Amended Protocol II?

4. What measures have been taken to prevent the indiscriminate use of mines, booby-traps and other devices?

5. Would your country be interested in receiving assistance related to the implementation of this Protocol? If so, please describe.

6. Does your country have the capacity to assist others related to this Protocol? If so, please describe.

Part II

7. Has your country ratified or acceded to the 1997 Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction?

- 8.(a) If yes, please attach the most recent report submitted by your country in accordance with Article 7 of the Convention or give the appropriate electronic address for the report.
- (b) If no, is your country considering ratification/accession to the Convention?

(c) Has your country adopted legislation to address the humanitarian objectives of the convention, or taken any specific measures regarding the use, production, storage, transfer and destruction of anti-personnel landmines? In case a moratorium has been introduced, what is its scope and duration and when was it introduced?

9. Does your country have any specific measures in place to provide assistance to victims?

10. Does your country require assistance in mine clearance, stockpile destruction, mine awareness and/or victim assistance? If so, please describe.

11. Does your country have the capacity to assist others in mine action? If so, please describe.

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OSCE QUESTIONNAIRE ON EXPLOSIVE REMNANTS OF WAR

To be submitted on a voluntary basis along with the OSCE Questionnaire on Anti-personnel Mines no later than 31 May each year.

1. Has your country notified the Depositary of its consent to be bound by the 2003 CCW Protocol V on Explosive Remnants of War (ERW) once it enters into force? Is your country considering doing so?

2. If yes, at what stage is the process?

3. Would your country be interested in receiving assistance in clearing or otherwise minimizing the risks and effects of ERW? If so, please describe.

4. Does your country have the capacity to assist others in clearing and minimizing the risks and effects of ERW? If so, please describe.