



11 June 2012

To: The Permanent Missions to the United Nations of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction

**Re: Appeal to Contribute to the Implementation Support Unit – Reminder**

Excellencies, dear friends,

I would like to thank you for your active participation in the 21-25 May meetings of the Standing Committees. Once again these meetings served as an important platform for partnerships in enabling States Parties to share their experiences and engage one another in cooperative means to implement the Convention.

Also during the week of meetings in May, the Director of the Implementation Support Unit (ISU) presented a report on activities and finances of the ISU in 2012. In this report, the Director noted that only 11 of the Convention's 160 parties have, to date, contributed or made a firm commitment to contribute to the Implementation Support Unit in 2012.

I wish to recall that, at the 11MSP, for the first time, a Meeting of the States Parties approved a work plan and budget for the activities of the ISU, thereby demonstrating our ownership over this ISU. At the 11MSP, we decided to maintain the ISU's existing funding model and we agreed to improve the financial situation of the ISU and ensure that sufficient contributions are provided to the ISU as long as the financing model remains unchanged.

Given our collective responsibility to provide the necessary resources to ensure the operation of the ISU in 2012, my purpose in writing is to ask each State Party to direct its financial contribution to the ISU as soon as possible to ensure that the work plan we agreed to at the 11MSP is fully funded.

The ISU requires CHF 925,837 for its core operations to be fully funded in 2012. Please recall that in preparing the 2012 work plan, the ISU had been sensitive regarding the current financial context in that projected expenditures for 2012 were reduced to approximately 12 percent below the level of the budgeted expenditures in 2011.

**President of the Eleventh Meeting of the States Parties**  
c/o AP Mine Ban Convention Implementation Support Unit

Should you require additional information regarding the ISU's 2012 work plan and budget, please contact the Director of the ISU, Mr. Kerry Brinkert.

Please note that States Parties should direct their contributions to the ISU to the following bank account:

UBS Geneva, P.O. Box 2600, CH-1211 Geneva 2, Switzerland

Account no.: FP 100 627.6

IBAN: CH45 0024 0240 FP10 0627 6

Swift code: UBSWCHZH80A

Account owner: Centre international de déminage humanitaire – Genève

(Contributors should indicate "ISU Core Work Plan 2012" when forwarding funds.)

Thank you for your consideration of this matter, which is of great importance for our Convention.

Yours sincerely,



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President of the Eleventh Meeting of the States Parties