

## **United Nations Inter-Agency Coordination Group on Mine Action**

## **Intersessional Meetings of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention**

## **Statement on Reporting**

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Mr. President,

The following comments are delivered on behalf of the Inter-Agency Coordination Group on Mine Action (IACG-MA)<sup>1</sup>, comprising 14 United Nations entities involved in mine action.

The United Nations welcomes your initiative on reporting, as well as its main outcome: the draft Guide to Reporting (May 2015), and thanks you and the Implementation Support Unit for introducing it to this audience.

The final version of the guide, to be adopted at the next Meeting of States Parties, may be circulated among United Nations entities, to enable their staff to assist national authorities in implementing the guidance provided.

The United Nations is encouraged by your initiative and looks forward to an improvement on both the quantity and the quality of national transparency reporting.

Thank you.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO) / United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS) (Chair), Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), UN Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), UN Development Programme (UNDP), Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS), UN Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), World Food Programme (WFP), World Health Organization (WHO), United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR) (Observer), and the World Bank (Observer).