



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

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### **Statement on Compliance**

**Delivered by Ms. Agnès Marcaillou, Director, UNMAS  
on behalf of the Inter-Agency Coordination Group for Mine Action (IACG-MA)**

Mr. President,

I deliver the following statement on behalf of the Inter-Agency Coordination Group for Mine Action (IACG-MA), comprising the 14 United Nations Departments, Agencies, Funds, and Programmes involved in mine action.

The United Nations is pleased that no issues of non-compliance of the Convention by States Parties or signatories have been raised in the last year. It is the view of the United Nations that if concerns should arise in the future, these will be dealt with in a cooperative manner, within the framework of paragraph 1 of Article 8. Furthermore, the United Nations stands ready to take up its role in compliance facilitation and in the clarification process, as required.

The United Nations believes that with the strong commitment of States Parties and the dedicated support of the international community, as required, deadlines for clearance and stockpile destruction can and will be met. In this regard, the United Nations encourages the timely preparation of clear plans and strategies, with appropriate benchmarks and targets.

Finally, as noted in the general exchange of views and in the Secretary-General's message, it is the view of the United Nations that reports of use of cluster munitions must be considered with utmost attention and seriousness and must be investigated immediately. Such use causes unacceptable harm to civilians. The United Nations has repeatedly condemned the use of cluster munitions by all parties in a conflict and supports the call by the President of the Second Meeting of States Parties that such cases require full clarification.

Thank you,