Improvised Explosive Devices Threat Mitigation: Looking Back to Move Forward

Side Event at the CCW Sixth Review Conference

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13.15 – 15.00 GVA time

Agenda

Moderator: Christelle Loupforest, Programme Officer, UNMAS Geneva and Deputy Global Coordinator, MA AoR

Opening remarks: Ilene Cohn, Acting Director, UNMAS

1. Political, technical, and financial support provided by States Parties to the UN IED threat mitigation approach and to the UN Mine Action Strategy

   - Ms. Diana Esperanza Castillo Castro, Coordinator of the IED Group of Experts of the Amended Protocol II to CCW, Colombia
   - Colonel Pascal Levant, Coordinator of the IED Group of Experts of the Amended Protocol II to CCW, France

2. Main achievements, challenges and lessons learnt in countries where the UN is supporting or leading IED threat mitigation

   - Mr. Pablo Parra, Acting Chief of Mine Action Programme, UNMAS Colombia
   - Mr. Jean-Guy Lavoie, Chief of Mine Action Programme, UNMAS Mali
   - Mr. Justin Orin Smith, Head of Policy & Analysis, UNMAS Somalia
   - Mr. Mark Wilkinson, Senior Operations Manager, UNMAS Iraq

3. Progress made at the strategic level with the adoption of a UN whole-of-system approach to IED

   - Ms. Maria Vardis, Team Leader, UNMAS Policy

4. Relevant international mine action standards developed in the past five years
- Mr. Raymond Kemei, Programme Officer, UNMAS Mobile Training Team
- Mr. Hugues Laurenge, Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF

5. Q&A and concluding remarks