

establish an important precedent in the general area of human rights, and will also serve to promote in a very substantive manner the terms, provisions and effectiveness of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. The Study makes recommendations for action by the international community in the following four areas

- the relevance and adequacy of existing standards
- the re-enforcement of preventative measures
- the promotion of physical and psychological recovery and social reintegration
- the protection of children in situation of armed conflict, including the indiscriminate use of all weapons of war, especially anti-personnel land mines.

Part A.2 European Union

A.201 Fehr, Lisbeth, and Georges Clerfayt. "Report on Anti-Personnel Land Mines and the Humanitarian Consequences." Council of Europe, Parliamentary Assembly. 3 September, 1997. ADOC7891.

The use of anti-personnel land mines as weapons of war is a global humanitarian tragedy. The indiscriminate use of these weapons has long-lived consequences and has aroused immense distress throughout the world. This report is aimed at exposing the dimensions of the problems of anti-personnel mines and their humanitarian implications, with a view to reinforcing the call for a global ban on the manufacture, use, stock-piling and transfer of anti-personnel mines. The report tries to demonstrate that mines are no longer indispensable weapons of war, it examines their compatibility with international humanitarian law and describes the numerous national and international efforts to eliminate them.

The Parliamentary Assembly recommends that all member states should condemn the manufacture, use, transfer and stock-piling of anti-personnel mines, declare these activities contrary to the Council of Europe's principles and draw up a list of companies producing mines in member states. It calls upon the member states to subscribe to international commitments aimed at totally banning anti-personnel mines or limiting their use, to adopt national legislation in that respect, to promote the establishment of a mine-free zone in Europe, to support international mine-clearance programmes and to increase aid to mines victims.