CALENDAR OF MINE ACTION EVENTS

1998

March

- United States of America will host a Humanitarian Demining Technology Workshop in Washington, March 25-26, 1998.
- Hungary, the ICRC and the ICBL will host a Baltic-to-the-Balkans regional conference on the AP mine issue, Budapest, March 26-27, 1998.
- Indian Campaign to Ban Landmines to sponsor second national conference on a ban on landmines, Nagpur, India, March 28-29.
- NGO seminar to introduce the landmine problem and the Ottawa treaty, Baidoa, Somalia, March 31, 1998.

April

- UNICEF, the OAU and the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations will host a meeting at the UN on April 9, 1998 for African Member States, to encourage early ratification of the Convention.
- Switzerland: Official opening of the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining, April 28, 1998.
- Argentina to host Demining and Explosive Disposal Course at Argentine Joint Peacekeeping Training Centre, Buenos Aires.
- Slovenia to host planning conference of the International Trust Fund for Demining and Mine Victim Assistance in Bosnia-Herzegovina.
- Open Society Institute to host landmines forum for US private foundations, Washington, April 27, 1998.

May

"Survey Contact Group" meeting, hosted by HI Belgium, to develop standards for quality for both new and completed level 1 surveys, to include technical standards, quality control, and certification process; establishment of certification board to ensure quality; including NGOs (VVAF, MAG, NPA, HI, MCPA, medico international), interested donor countries, UN agencies, and international organizations; Brussels, 7-11 May, 1998.