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A UXO LAO team leader briefs clearance staff on the area of land cleared and the types of UXO removed.

Programme (UNDP), for institutional support to the Bosnia and Herzegovina Mine Action Centre and Entity Mine Action Centres. Canada's contribution enhanced the capacity and sustainability of the mine action centres by developing technical, safety and training standards, preparing local staff to take over the duties of international advisors and upgrading the centres' communication infrastructure.

As part of a CIDA Multilateral Institutions Program \$600,000 contribution to the UNDP for mine action in Eritrea and Ethiopia, investments were made in developing and strengthening national capacity for planning, co-ordinating, managing and implementing all mine action activities.

The CIDA Multilateral Institutions Program provided \$150,000 to the UNDP Trust Fund for UXO LAO, as part of a three-year, \$505,000 contribution. In addition to supporting UXO clearance in Laos, Canada's contribution supported the national coordination body's activities including the implementation of National UXO Survey findings, development of management capacity and assessment of ongoing data collection to help prioritize areas to be cleared.

The DFAIT Mine Ban Initiatives Program provided \$200,000 to the United Nations Mine Action Service for the set-up and administration of the Southern Lebanon Mine Action Coordination Cell. The Coordination Cell monitors and organizes

all mine action activities in Southern Lebanon including creating a comprehensive mine action database, assessing the landmine/ UXO problem in the area, clearing mines and doing emergency surveys.

As part of the CIDA Integrated Country Program for Mozambique (\$2.8 million in fiscal year 2000), \$1 million was provided to the National Demining Institute to develop its strategic plan and a multi-year proposal for strengthening the Institute's capacities to plan, coordinate and manage mine action throughout Mozambique. The IMSMA database has been translated into Portuguese to ensure easy comprehension and manipulation by IND staff.

The CIDA Multilateral Institutions Program provided \$59,000 to the UNDP for its strategic mine action plan for Yemen. As part of a two-year, \$150,000 contribution following up on the Level One Impact Survey completed in 2000, the plan will build capacity in Yemen to set priorities for mine action by targeting the most seriously affected communities identified through the impact survey.

### Victim assistance information

The CIDA Multilateral Institutions Program provided \$250,000 to the World Health Organization (WHO) for a landmine injury surveillance initiative in Africa. The two-year, \$500,000 project will improve emergency, post-emergency and rehabilitation