

Union on what parliamentarians can do to ensure the implementation of the landmines ban.

- UNICEF** - Lobby non-signatories to sign the Convention; promote early ratification by signatories.

STOCKPILE DESTRUCTION

The Convention calls for the destruction of all stockpiled anti-personnel mines owned by signatories as soon as possible, but not later than four years after entry into force.

- Denmark** - Destruction of existing stocks to be completed by the year 2000.
- France** - Destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines to be completed before the year 2000.
- Hungary** - Under the "package of unilateral measures", all remaining stockpiles will be destroyed by December 31, 2000.
- Ukraine** - Ready to begin partial destruction of its APM stockpiles, with the first stocks to be destroyed by the end of 1997.
- ICBL** - Work with governments to establish a base line of mine-related information against which to measure the accuracy of data provided on entry into force.

MINE CLEARANCE

Participants in the Ottawa Conference recognized the importance of removing anti-personnel mines already in the ground. Signatories to the Convention agreed to destroy all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under their control not later than 10 years after entry into force and, where possible, to assist others in mine clearance and related activities.

- Australia** - Continuation of multi-year demining programs.
- The Australian Defence Science and Technology Organization will