

Mine Action Resources

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Print Materials

- ➔ *AP Mine Ban: Progress Report*
A regular quarterly report provided by Canada on the anti-personnel mine ban (glossy, 4-colour, 12 pages)
- ➔ *Monthly Progress Report* (2 to 3 pages)
- ➔ *A Global Ban on Landmines*
A short backgrounder (2 pages)
Long backgrounder (5 pages)
- ➔ *Ratification Packet for the 1997 Convention on the Prohibition of Anti-personnel Mines and on their Destruction*
Produced by the International Committee of the Red Cross
(8 1/2 by 11 format, 5 pages, also available in Spanish)
- ➔ *Preamble on Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on their Destruction: "The Ottawa Treaty"*
(8 1/2 by 11 format, 23 pages - also available in Spanish, Russian, Chinese and Arabic)



Electronic Resources

Video

- ➔ "Ban Landmines" — 5 minutes (from the December 1997 Conference)
- ➔ "One Step at a Time" — 24 minutes (perfect format for broadcaster; international broadcasting rights have been obtained for stock footage; licensing fee for airing can be donated to NGOs; also available in Russian and Spanish)
- ➔ "Years, not Decades" — short version, 5 to 7 minutes (will be available by the end of September; ideal format for speaking engagements)

CD-ROM

- ➔ "Ban Landmines! The Ottawa Process and the International Movement to Ban Landmines"


Web sites

- ➔ "SAFELANE" at www.mines.gc.ca
- ➔ Mines Action Canada at www.minesactioncanada.com
- ➔ International Campaign to Ban Landmines at www.icbl.org
- ➔ International Committee of the Red Cross at www.icrc.org



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The Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) has taken the lead on the Convention ratification and universalization, as well as on international coordination, global priority-setting and monitoring Convention implementation. DFAIT is also working in cooperation with the Department of National Defence (DND) on AP mine stockpile destruction. The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), meanwhile, is taking the lead on demining and victim assistance. DND and the Department of Industry are cooperating on research, development and marketing of appropriate Canadian demining technologies. 

Ministerial Appointment: Canadian Ambassador for Mine Action

Canadian Foreign Affairs Minister Lloyd Axworthy announced in May the appointment of Jill E. Sinclair as Ambassador for Mine Action. Ms. Sinclair is supported by the newly-created Mine Action Team within the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

"The appointment of an Ambassador for Mine Action and the creation of the Mine Action Team are positive steps in meeting our commitment to the Agenda for Mine Action," said Mr. Axworthy. "Canada is maintaining the momentum of Ottawa Process II and we are continually renewing our efforts in this important humanitarian initiative."

The post of Ambassador for Mine Action has been created to ensure that the Ottawa Convention is effectively implemented. The Mine Action Team is responsible for promoting the entry-into-force of the Convention, universalization, and the full implementation of its provisions in partnership with the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), the Department of Defence (DND) and Industry Canada. 