

*1.3.3 Information from International Companies*

Through the international business contacts of SNCIT, a list of major companies which manufacture mines and fuses, and a point of contact at each of these companies was established. A questionnaire on landmines to collect some key data, especially on fusing mechanisms, was prepared and sent to these companies. A copy of the questionnaire is enclosed in Annex A. This questionnaire also permitted to obtain some current trends in mine technologies. A summary of the replies from these companies is shown at Annex B. Following the reply from these companies, some were contacted for more details about the technical and cost implications of retrofitting existing landmines with self destruct, self neutralizing and passive self deactivation devices.

*1.3.4 Information from Jane's Information Group*

A short study contract was issued by SNCIT to Jane's Information Group in United Kingdom to provide a comprehensive data base on the landmines available worldwide. The findings of the study from Jane's Information Group are included at the end of this report.