

CALENDAR OF MINE ACTION EVENTS

1997

December

- Demining Conference at James Madison University, Washington DC (December 15-16). Focus will be on NGOs involved in demining and their informational requirements.

1998

January

- USA Department of Defense-hosted conference to gain appreciation for operational and environmental conditions confronting Mine Action Centres and demining NGOs, and obtain a "wish list" of technology they would like to see US and other R&D establishments pursue (January 20-22, 1998 at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia).
- An informal NGO working group on landmines plus a seminar for Geneva based delegations will be held in Geneva on January 27, 1998 to review the action plan from the Ottawa Conference. (Quaker United Nations Office, Geneva)
- ICBL: - Second NGO Tokyo Conference (January 31-February 1)
 - Meeting in South Korea (Late January/early February)
 - Meeting in Bosnia and Herzegovina (early 1998)
- EU to convene an *End User Forum* on demining, probably at the Joint Research Centre (JRC) in Ispra, Italy.

February

- ICBL: - West African NGO strategy workshop.
 - Demining in Southern Africa Seminar, co-hosted by GEM, SACBL, MAG. (South Africa)
- ICRC: International conference on mine awareness, in Sarajevo.