CANADA'S NEWEST MINE ACTION INITIATIVES

CROATIA

A contribution of \$100 000 to Croatia's Mine Action Centre, which will support mine clearance and marking of mine fields as well as the deployment of mine detection dogs.

Chad

A contribution of \$100 000 to the Mine Action Centre for survey equipment and funding for a technical expert to run and operate the database system with a view to starting a level 1 survey.

Jordan

Canada, Norway and Israel are working together in support of Jordanian demining efforts in the Jordan Valley. Canada is contributing \$300 000 to this effort.

Kosovo

A contribution of \$950 000 to the UN Mine Action Service in support of a preliminary assessment mission in Kosovo, in response to reports from the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) that mines are interfering with returns of internally displaced people and with the delivery of humanitarian assistance. The mission will concentrate on gathering information but is also capable of mine clearance and mine awareness.

Mozambique

A contribution of \$100 000 to support UNDP's accelerated demining program involving training in survey, personnel, and database management. Canada has also joined a Canadian Auto Workers' initiative for mine clearance, victim assistance and advocacy, working with local and international NGOs. Canada is contributing \$225 000 to this \$1.25 million project in matching funds with Canadian Auto Workers.

UKRAINE

Agreement reached in October this year for Canada and Ukraine to work together on stockpile destruction.

Yemen

A contribution of \$950 000 to the UN Mine Action Service to support the conduct of a level 1 survey to set national priorities for mine action. Canada is also working with Med-Eng Inc. and Advantists Development Relief Agency (ADRA) Canada to buy \$100 000 of protective gear for Yemen's deminers.

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