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Amendment 1
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Citation 1 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the 1980 Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (CCW) and the protocols thereto, especially Amended Protocol II on Landmines, Booby-Traps, and Other Devices and Protocol V on Explosive Remnants of War,

Or. en

Amendment 2
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Citation 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

– having regard to its most recent resolutions of 22 April 2004 on anti-personnel landmines¹ of 7 July 2005 on a mine free world², of 19 January 2006 on disability and development³, **and** of 13 December 2007 on the 10th anniversary of the Mine Ban Treaty⁴,

– having regard to its most recent resolutions of 22 April 2004 on anti-personnel landmines of 7 July 2005 on a mine free world, of 19 January 2006 on disability and development, of 13 December 2007 on the 10th anniversary of the Mine Ban Treaty, **and of 6 September 2001 on measures to promote a commitment by non-State actors to a total ban on anti-personnel landmines,**

Or. en

Amendment 3
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Citation 3

Motion for a resolution

– having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1725/2001 of 23 July 2001 concerning action against anti-personnel landmines in third countries other than developing countries⁵,

Amendment

– having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No **1724/2001 of 23 July 2001 concerning action against anti-personnel landmines in developing countries and Council Regulation (EC) No 1725/2001** of 23 July 2001 concerning action against anti-personnel landmines in third countries other than developing countries⁵,

Or. en

Amendment 4
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Citation 4

Motion for a resolution

– having regard to the **November 2009** Second Review Conference of the 1997 Ottawa Convention, which took place in Cartagena, Colombia,

Amendment

– having regard to the **Cartagena Action Plan 2010-2014: Ending the Suffering Caused by Anti-personnel Mines adopted at the** Second Review Conference of the 1997 Ottawa Convention, which took place in Cartagena, Colombia, **from 30 November to 4 December 2009,**

Or. en

Amendment 5
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Citation 4

Motion for a resolution

– having regard to the November 2009 Second Review Conference of the 1997 Ottawa Convention, which took place in Cartagena, Colombia,

Amendment

– having regard to the **Action Plan adopted in** November 2009 **at the** Second Review Conference of the 1997 Ottawa Convention, which took place in

Cartagena, Colombia,

Or. en

Amendment 6
Geoffrey Van Orden

Motion for a resolution
Citation 5 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its numerous resolutions on cluster munitions, most recently of 8 July 2010, and on the entry into force of the Convention on Cluster Munitions on 1 August 2010,

Or. en

Amendment 7
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Oslo Convention on Cluster Munitions signed by 94 states on 3-4 December 2008 in Oslo, which entered into force on 1 August 2010,

Or. en

Amendment 8
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to the Convention on Cluster Munitions of 3 December 2008, which entered into force on 1 August 2010,

Or. en

**Amendment 9
Ulrike Lunacek**

**Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its Resolution on the Entry into force on 1 August 2010 of the Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM) and the role of the EU adopted on 8 July 2010,

Or. en

**Amendment 10
Tunne Kelam**

**Motion for a resolution
Citation 6 b (new)**

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- having regard to its most recent resolution from 6 July 2010 on the entry into force of the Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM) and the role of the EU,

Or. en

Amendment 11
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Recital - A a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

-Aa. whereas the EU has been actively engaged in mine action, especially since its Joint Action of 1995, and is committed to the goal of a total ban and elimination of anti-personnel landmines (APL) worldwide; whereas the EU is a leading supporter of and contributor to mine action, which is among its human rights, humanitarian and development aid priorities,

Or. en

Amendment 12
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

A. whereas ‘Mine Action’ includes survey, detection, marking and clearance of anti-personnel landmines (APL) and other explosive remnants of war (ERW) including improvised explosive devices (IEDs), mine risk education, victim assistance and stockpile destruction,

A. whereas “Mine Action” includes survey, detection, marking and clearance of anti-personnel landmines (APL) and other explosive remnants of war (ERW) - including ***abandoned ordnance (AO), unexploded ordnance (UXO), cluster munition remnants and victim-activated*** improvised explosive devices (IEDs) - ***as well as*** mine ***and ERW*** risk education, victim assistance and stockpile destruction, ***together with advocacy aimed at promoting the universalisation of relevant international conventions and treaties in order to put an end to the production, trade and use of APL,***

Or. en

Amendment 13
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas ‘Mine Action’ includes survey, detection, marking and clearance of anti-personnel landmines (APL) and other explosive remnants of war (ERW) including improvised explosive devices (IEDs), mine risk education, victim assistance and stockpile destruction,

Amendment

A. whereas ‘Mine Action’ includes survey, detection, marking and clearance of anti-personnel landmines (APL) and other explosive remnants of war (ERW) including ***cluster munitions remnants and*** improvised explosive devices (IEDs), mine risk education, victim assistance and stockpile destruction,

Or. en

Amendment 14
Sabine Lösing

Motion for a resolution
Recital A

Motion for a resolution

A. whereas ‘Mine Action’ includes survey, detection, marking and clearance of anti-personnel landmines (APL) and other explosive remnants of war (ERW) including improvised explosive devices (IEDs), mine risk education, victim assistance and stockpile destruction,

Amendment

A. whereas “Mine Action” includes survey, detection, marking and clearance of anti-personnel landmines (APL) and other explosive remnants of war (ERW) including improvised explosive devices (IEDs), mine risk education ***and training programmes especially for children including girls***, victim assistance and stockpile destruction,

Or. en

Amendment 15
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Recital B

Motion for a resolution

B. whereas the persistence of APL and IED, in addition to inflicting loss of human life, especially among civilian populations, represents a serious obstacle to post-conflict reconstruction of afflicted countries, and may serve as a raw material for IED,

Amendment

B. whereas the persistence of APL and ***ERW, including IED and cluster munitions remnants***, in addition to inflicting loss of human life, especially among civilian populations, represents a serious obstacle to post-conflict reconstruction of afflicted countries, and may serve as a raw material for IED,

Or. en

Amendment 16
Maria Eleni Koppa, Mitro Repo

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas ***by 1 December 2010***, 156 States ***had formally agreed*** to ***be*** bound by the Mine Ban Treaty,

Amendment

C. whereas 156 States ***have acceded to or ratified the Mine Ban Treaty and another 2 states have signed but not yet ratified it; whereas 96 states are bound by the Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices (Amended Protocol II to the CCW) and 69 states are bound by the Protocol on Explosive Remnants of War (Protocol V to the CCW); whereas 56 states have ratified the Convention on Cluster Munitions and another 52 states have signed but not yet ratified it; whereas synergy among these international instruments has to be ensured; whereas two remaining EU Member States are in a process of finalizing their ratification process of the Mine Ban Treaty (by 2012),***

Or. en

Amendment 17
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Recital C

Motion for a resolution

C. whereas by 1 December 2010, 156 States had ***formally agreed to be bound by*** the Mine Ban Treaty,

Amendment

C. whereas by 1 December 2010, 156 States had ***acceded or ratified*** the Mine Ban Treaty ***and 2 EU Member States had signed but not ratified it,***

Or. en

Amendment 18
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas in ***1999 there were*** an estimated 18,000 ***casualties from APL/ERW/IED*** and ***by 2009 this had reduced to under 4,000,***

Amendment

D. whereas ***the number of reported casualties from APL/ERW/IED has considerably decreased over the past decade (approximately 5,000 in 2009 in comparison to an estimated 18,000 in 1999 according to reports by the Landmine and Cluster Munition Monitor, while 70% of victims were civilians and/or children); whereas, however, millions of people are still affected by ALPs and ERWs all over the world,***

Or. en

Amendment 19
Geoffrey Van Orden

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas only one government – Myanmar – has recently laid APL, no exports or state transfers of APL were recorded, and only three states were thought to be continuing their manufacture,

Amendment

E. whereas only one government – Myanmar – has recently laid APL, no exports or state transfers of APL were recorded, and only three states were thought to be continuing their manufacture, ***but insurgent groups such as FARC are continuing to produce their own devices,***

Or. en

Amendment 20
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas only ***one government – Myanmar – has*** recently laid APL, no exports or state transfers of APL were recorded, and only three states were thought to be continuing their manufacture,

Amendment

E. whereas only ***two governments – in Burma/Myanmar and Libya – have*** recently laid APL, no exports or state transfers of APL were recorded, and only three states were thought to be continuing their manufacture,

Or. en

Amendment 21
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Recital E

Motion for a resolution

E. whereas only ***one*** government – Myanmar – ***has*** recently laid APL, no exports or state transfers of APL were recorded, and only three states were thought to be continuing their manufacture,

Amendment

E. whereas only ***two*** government – Myanmar ***and Libya – have*** recently laid APL, no exports or state transfers of APL were recorded, and only three states were thought to be continuing their manufacture,

Amendment 22
Maria Eleni Koppa, Mitro Repo

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas most **responsible** armed forces **long ago** ceased using APL, but **they have continued to be a weapon of choice**, along with IED, **by insurgent and terrorist groups and other non-state actors**,

Amendment

F. whereas most armed forces ceased using APL, but **various armed non-state actors continue to use APL**, along with **victim-activated** IED,

Amendment 23
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Recital F

Motion for a resolution

F. whereas most responsible armed forces long ago ceased using APL, but they have continued to be a weapon of choice, along with IED, by insurgent and terrorist groups and other non-state actors,

Amendment

F. whereas most responsible armed forces long ago ceased using APL, but they have continued to be a weapon of choice, along with IED **and cluster munitions**, by insurgent and terrorist groups and other non-state actors,

Amendment 24
Geoffrey Van Orden

Motion for a resolution
Recital G

Motion for a resolution

G. whereas more than 90 countries are still affected by APL and other ERW to some degree,

Amendment

G. whereas more than 90 countries are still affected by APL and other ERW to some degree, ***but the most seriously afflicted are Afghanistan, Colombia, Pakistan, Myanmar, Cambodia and Laos,***

Or. en

Amendment 25

Elena Băsescu

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas, in the first instance, it is the responsibility of affected states to address the problems of APL and ERW on their territory, particularly once conflict has ceased,

Amendment

H. whereas, in the first instance, it is the responsibility of affected states to address the problems of APL and ERW on their territory, particularly once conflict has ceased ***and the civilian population returns to the former conflict zones,***

Or. en

Amendment 26

Maria Eleni Koppa, Mitro Repo

Motion for a resolution

Recital H

Motion for a resolution

H. whereas, in the first instance, it is the responsibility of affected states to address the problems of APL and ERW on their territory, ***particularly once conflict has ceased,***

Amendment

H. whereas, in the first instance, it is the responsibility of affected states to address the problems of APL and ERW on their territory ***before, during and after a conflict,***

Or. en

Amendment 27
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Recital J

Motion for a resolution

J. whereas the need for victim assistance will continue long after the APL threat has been removed,

Amendment

J. whereas the need for victim assistance will continue long after the APL threat has been removed, ***whereas only 9% of global spending on Mine Action are at present assigned to victim assistance and 99% of EU funding is assigned to mine clearance which leaves very little to victim assistance,***

Or. en

Amendment 28
Geoffrey Van Orden

Motion for a resolution
Recital K

Motion for a resolution

K. whereas the international community has responded magnificently to the challenge of the APL tragedy, contributing some \$3.9 billion to mine action between 1999 and 2009,

Amendment

K. whereas the international community has responded magnificently to the challenge of the APL tragedy, contributing some \$3.9 billion to mine action between 1999 and 2009, ***and whereas the lead contributors have been the US (\$902.4 million), the EC (\$521.9 million), Japan (\$336.9 million), Norway (\$342.7 million), Canada (259.8 million) the UK (\$220.6 million), Germany (\$206.9 million) and the Netherlands (\$201.9),***

Or. en

Amendment 29
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Recital L

Motion for a resolution

L. whereas the perception of a mine threat is often greater than the reality and ***it has been calculated that only 2% of land that is physically cleared, often at considerable cost, is actually contaminated with APL or ERW,***

Amendment

L. whereas the perception of a mine threat is often greater than the reality and that ***better survey methodologies and understanding of survey results can and have in recent years dramatically reduced the need for full clearance of suspected hazardous areas,***

Or. en

Amendment 30
Geoffrey Van Orden

Motion for a resolution
Recital L

Motion for a resolution

L. whereas the perception of a mine threat is often greater than the reality and it has been calculated that only 2% of land that is ***physically cleared, often at considerable cost,*** is actually contaminated with APL or ERW,

Amendment

L. whereas the perception of a mine threat is often greater than the reality and it has been calculated that only 2% of land that is ***subject to the costly process of physical "clearance"*** is actually contaminated with APL or ERW,

Or. en

Amendment 31
Maria Eleni Koppa, Mitro Repo

Motion for a resolution
Recital M a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

M a. whereas risk reduction education is a key element in helping people, especially

children, in mine affected regions to live more safely and to learn about the dangers of ALP and ERW,

Or. en

Amendment 32
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Recital M a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

M a. whereas there are clear indications on inefficient use of allocated funds for mine action,

Or. en

Amendment 33
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2. Strongly welcomes the fact that 156 countries have now ***acceded to*** the Mine Ban Treaty including **26** EU member states but regrets that some **37** countries have still not signed;

2. Strongly welcomes the fact that 156 countries have now ***joined*** the Mine Ban Treaty including **25** EU member states but regrets that some **39** countries have still not signed; ***urges all states still outside the Treaty to join in the shortest possible delay; encourages in particular those EU Member States that have yet to accede to the Treaty to complete their ratification process by 2012 as announced;***

Or. en

Amendment 34
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Strongly welcomes the fact that 156 countries have now acceded to the Mine Ban Treaty including 26 EU member states but regrets that some 37 countries have still not signed;

Amendment

2. Strongly welcomes the fact that 156 countries have now acceded to the Mine Ban Treaty including 26 EU member states but regrets that some 37 countries have still not signed; ***calls on all non-party states to accede the Mine Ban Treaty and the Convention on Cluster Munitions with no delay;***

Or. en

Amendment 35
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Strongly welcomes the fact that 156 countries have now acceded to the Mine Ban Treaty including **26** EU member states but regrets that some **37** countries have still not signed;

Amendment

2. Strongly welcomes the fact that 156 countries have now acceded to the Mine Ban Treaty including **25** EU member states but regrets that some **39** countries, ***including the EU Member States Finland and Poland*** have still not signed;

Or. en

Amendment 36
Sari Essayah

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Strongly welcomes the fact that 156

Amendment

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countries have now acceded to the Mine Ban Treaty including **26** EU member states but regrets that some 37 countries have still not signed;

countries have now ***ratified or*** acceded to the Mine Ban Treaty including **25** EU member states but regrets that some 37 countries have still not signed;

Or. en

Amendment 37
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2 a. Strongly welcomes the fact that 56 countries have now joined the Convention on Cluster Munitions, including 15 EU member states but regrets that 139 countries, including 10 EU member states, have still not adhered;

Or. en

Amendment 38
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2 a. Calls on the EU to actively facilitate negotiations with the goal to achieve the accession of more countries and especially of all its Member States to the Mine Ban Treaty and the Convention on Cluster Munitions;

Or. en

Amendment 39
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2 a. Supports fully the implementation of the Cartagena Action Plan that provides for a detailed five year plan of commitments in all areas of mine action and calls on the Council to adopt a decision in support of this Plan as soon as possible;

Or. en

Amendment 40
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2 b. Takes the view that mine action should be closely associated with action against cluster munition and other devices that kill indiscriminately; welcomes therefore the entry into force of the Convention on Cluster Munitions on 1 August 2010 as well as the adoption of the 2010 Vientiane Declaration and the Vientiane Action Plan; commends all states that have signed and ratified the CCM but regrets that 139 countries, including 10 EU Member States, have not adhered so far; calls on the EU and its Member States to promote the universalisation and implementation of the CCM;

Or. en

Amendment 41
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 2 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

2 c. Stresses the need of finding synergy between the various dimensions of mine action, with special regard to humanitarian and development aspects, also by increasing local ownership of and participation in related projects, in order to better respond to the need of the directly affected population;

Or. en

Amendment 42
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4. Welcomes the fact that a further seven countries announced completion of their clearance activities in 2009 and 2010, bringing the total number of states to do so to 16;

4. Welcomes the fact that a further seven countries announced completion of their clearance activities in 2009 and 2010, bringing the total number of states to do so to 16, ***but regrets the fact that 26 States Parties have needed to request an extension to their 10-year clearance deadline under the Mine Ban Treaty;***

Or. en

Amendment 43
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Welcomes the fact that a further seven countries announced completion of their clearance activities in 2009 and 2010, bringing the total number of states to do so to 16;

Amendment

4. Welcomes the fact that a further seven countries announced completion of their clearance activities in 2009 and 2010, bringing the total number of states to do so to 16 ***but regrets that 26 states needed to request an extension to their clearance deadline under the Mine Ban Treaty;***

Or. en

Amendment 44
Sabine Lösing

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 5

Motion for a resolution

5. Recognises that the US has been the leading global sponsor of mine action, strongly supporting international programmes to clear mined areas and to help victims, and has already complied with most of the key provisions of the Mine Ban Treaty and therefore ***encourages*** the US to accede to the Treaty;

Amendment

5. Recognises that the US has been the leading global sponsor of mine action, strongly supporting international programmes to clear mined areas and to help victims, and has already complied with most of the key provisions of the Mine Ban Treaty and therefore ***urges*** the US to accede to the Treaty;

Or. en

Amendment 45
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

6 a. Calls on Libya, Myanmar, as well as those non-state armed groups using AP mines and cluster munitions, to halt use immediately;

Amendment

Amendment 46
Maria Eleni Koppa, Mitro Repo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. *Is* concerned that that China and Russia have the largest stockpiles of APL with an estimated 100 million and 24.5 million respectively;

Amendment

7. ***Reminds states of their international obligation to destroy APL stockpiles; is*** concerned that that China and Russia have the largest stockpiles of APL with an estimated 100 million and 24.5 million respectively ***and underlines therefore the particular importance of both countries' accession to the Mine Ban Treaty;***

Amendment 47
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Is concerned that that China and Russia have the largest stockpiles of APL with an estimated 100 million and 24.5 million respectively;

Amendment

7. Is concerned that that China and Russia have the largest stockpiles of APL with an estimated 100 million and 24.5 million respectively; ***urges the EU to include in the negotiations with Russia and China the issue of destroying their existing stockpiles and rapid accession to Mine Ban Treaty;***

Amendment 48
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7 a. Calls on the EU to continue promoting the universalisation of the Mine Ban Treaty and other relevant conventions, also by including the issue of mine action in its political dialogue and agreements signed with third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 49
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. Notes that the widespread and indiscriminate use of APL during more than three decades of conflict has meant that Afghanistan is one of the world's most heavily contaminated countries, further afflicted by the use of IEDs by the Taliban;

8. Notes that the widespread and indiscriminate use of APL during more than three decades of conflict has meant that Afghanistan is one of the world's most heavily contaminated countries, further afflicted by the use of IEDs by the Taliban ***and other armed non-state actors; underlines the possible significant contribution by mine action to economic and social development in the country with special regards to rural areas;***

Or. en

Amendment 50
Geoffrey Van Orden

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8 a. Deplores the continued use of APL by insurgent and terrorist groups and other non-state actors, in this regard points to the situation in Colombia, where FARC is estimated to be the most prolific user of APL among rebel groups anywhere in the world;

Or. en

Amendment 51
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Deplores the fact that of the 508 APL/ERW/IED casualties between 1 March 2009 and 1 March 2010, over half were children;

Amendment

9. Deplores the fact that, ***despite more than a decade of clearance by the world's largest humanitarian demining programme, Afghanistan still has one of the highest APL casualty rates in the world and expresses grave concern over the high number of children affected by APL and ERW in the country, as of the 508 APL/ERW/IED casualties between 1 March 2009 and 1 March 2010, over half were children;***

Or. en

Amendment 52
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Deplores the fact that of the 508

Amendment

9. Deplores the fact that ***despite more than***

APL/ERW/IED casualties between 1 March 2009 and 1 March 2010, over half were children;

a decade of clearance by the world's largest and most highly-funded humanitarian demining program, Afghanistan still has one of the highest casualty rates in the world, with 508 APL/ERW/IED casualties between 1 March 2009 and 1 March 2010, over half of which were children;

Or. en

Amendment 53
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Notes that some \$80 million was donated by the international community for mine action in Afghanistan in 2009;

Amendment

11. Notes that some \$80 million was donated by the international community for mine action in Afghanistan in 2009 *and that since 2002 the European Union's financial and technical assistance amounting to €89 million has helped to clear approximately 240 km² of APL in the country, making land economically accessible, and enabling properties to be reconstructed and families to return home;*

Or. en

Amendment 54
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Notes that some \$80 million was donated by the international community for mine action in Afghanistan in 2009;

Amendment

11. Notes that some \$80 million was donated by the international community for mine action in Afghanistan in 2009;

underlines the need to focus on victim assistance and mine risk education;

Or. en

Amendment 55

Elena Băsescu

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. *Notes approvingly* that operations rely almost exclusively on some 10,000 local personnel with international support;

Amendment

12. *Welcomes the fact* that operations rely almost exclusively on some 10,000 local personnel with international support, *strengthening the ownership component of the process;*

Or. en

Amendment 56

Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Is deeply concerned by the many structural problems highlighted by the European Commission's 2009 evaluation, for example the inefficiencies of the €2.7 million spent on 22 personnel at CNIDAH;

Amendment

16. Is deeply concerned by the many structural problems highlighted by the European Commission's 2009 evaluation, for example the inefficiencies of the €2.7 million spent on 22 personnel at CNIDAH; *urges the EU to monitor, control and evaluate the effective use of money and to ensure that the allocated budget is used in efficient and targeted manner to achieve the needed result of cleared land;*

Or. en

Amendment 57
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

18. **Notes** that, 16 years after the end of conflict in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH), there is still a high level of APL/ERW contamination, ***despite significant international funding and national effort;***

Amendment

18. **Regrets** that, 16 years after the end of conflict in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH), there is still a high level of APL/ERW contamination, ***with about 11.000 minefields and an estimated 220,000 active APLs and ERWs throughout the country representing a serious challenge to security and an impediment to economic and social development;***

Or. en

Amendment 58
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19

Motion for a resolution

19. Notes the improvements in mine action management through establishment of the BiH Mine Action Centre, under ***a central Demining Commission in liaison with an international Board of Donors;***

Amendment

19. Notes the improvements in mine action management through establishment of the BiH Mine Action Centre ***but regrets that BiH has fallen far behind the funding and clearance targets laid out in its extension request under the Mine Ban Treaty;***

Or. en

Amendment 59
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Recognises that resource mobilization poses major challenges for the government and that the Mine Action Strategy 2009–2019 has yet to be adopted **and** that the government's Demining Commission has not met with donor representatives based in Sarajevo for some years;

Amendment

20. Recognises that resource mobilization poses major challenges for the government and that the Mine Action Strategy 2009–2019 has yet to be adopted; **regrets** that the government's ***principle body in charge of mine action, the*** Demining Commission has not met with donor representatives based in Sarajevo for some years ***nor have its members attended international meetings of the Mine Ban Treaty since the treaty's Second Review Conference in 2009 and urges the government to take full ownership of mine action to ensure its strategic planning and management;***

Or. en

Amendment 60
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22 a. Applauds EUFOR ALTHEA and its Mines Risk Education Instructors for having provided training to several thousands of people and encourages them to continue their efforts;

Or. en

Amendment 61
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Subheading 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

Case Study - Egypt

Or. en

Amendment 62
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22 a. Notes that, in 2000 an UN mission was fielded to Egypt to diagnose the problem caused by the existence in the North West Coast region of the country of a considerable number of explosive remnants, including APL, of WWII;

Or. en

Amendment 63
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22 b. Notes that the explosive remnants in addition to the loss of human life also pose a serious obstacle to the exploration of natural resources in the region, blocking the potential socio-economic development in the region by denying access to an area amounting to approximately 22% of the total territory of the country;

Or. en

Amendment 64
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22 c. Recognises that developing the North West Coast and its desert hinterland would reflect positively on the macro-economic indicators of Egypt and contribute to improving the living and socio-economic conditions in the currently over crowded Nile Valley and Delta;

Or. en

Amendment 65
Marietje Schaake

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 22 d (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

22 d. Calls for the European Commission to push for increased clearance operations in the region and to address the responsible EU Member States to increase their efforts of demining, victim assistance and mine-risk education;

Or. en

Amendment 66
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Recognises that the lives and livelihoods of APL/ERW/IED casualties are **blighted** for ever, that **these innocent victims** often come from the poorest **elements** in some of the poorest countries, and require **highly specialised** and continuing support and assistance, and that this will be necessary even when there are no further casualties;

Amendment

23. Recognises that the lives and livelihoods of APL/ERW/IED, **cluster munitions** casualties are **marked** for ever, that **casualties, particularly civilians** often come from the poorest **people** in some of the poorest countries, and require **targeted** and continuing **medical and social** support and assistance, and that this will be necessary even when there are no further **landmine, cluster munitions, IED and EWR incidents causing** casualties;

Or. en

Amendment 67

Maria Eleni Koppa, Mitro Repo

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Recognises that the lives and livelihoods of APL/ERW/IED casualties are **blighted** for ever, that **these** innocent victims often come from the poorest **elements** in some of the poorest countries, and require highly specialised and continuing support and assistance, and that this will be necessary even when there are no further casualties;

Amendment

23. Recognises that the lives and livelihoods of APL/ERW/IED casualties are **marked** for ever, that innocent victims often come from the poorest **people** in some of the poorest countries, and require highly specialised and continuing support and assistance, and that this will be necessary even when there are no further casualties; **urges to apply a broad definition of victims in mine action in order to include also indirect victims, such as family and the community;**

Or. en

Amendment 68

Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Recognises that the lives and livelihoods of APL/ERW/IED casualties are blighted for ever, that these innocent victims often come from the poorest elements in some of the poorest countries, and require highly specialised and continuing support and assistance, **and** that this will be **necessary even** when there are no **further** casualties;

Amendment

23. Recognises that the lives and livelihoods of APL/ERW/IED casualties are blighted for ever, that these innocent victims often come from the poorest elements in some of the poorest countries, and require highly specialised and continuing support and assistance; ***underlines*** that this will be ***essential in short and long term perspective, also*** when there are no casualties ***anymore***;

Or. en

Amendment 69
Geoffrey Van Orden

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23

Motion for a resolution

23. Recognises that the lives and livelihoods of APL/ERW/IED casualties are blighted for ever, that these innocent victims often come from the poorest ***elements*** in some of the poorest countries, and require highly specialised and continuing support and assistance, and that this will be necessary even when there are no further casualties;

Amendment

23. Recognises that the lives and livelihoods of APL/ERW/IED casualties are blighted for ever, that these innocent victims often come from the poorest ***people*** in some of the poorest countries, and require highly specialised and continuing support and assistance, and that this will be necessary even when there are no further casualties;

Or. en

Amendment 70
Maria Eleni Koppa, Mitro Repo

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 23 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

23 a. Stresses relevant obligations of States under international human rights and humanitarian law to adequately provide age- and gender-sensitive assistance, including medical care, rehabilitation and psychological support, as well as to actively support the socio-economic reintegration of APL and ERW victims;

Or. en

Amendment 71

Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 24 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

24 a. Underlines the need for targeted victim assistance and mine risk education for children and their needs;

Or. en

Amendment 72

Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 25

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25. Regrets that landmine survivors or their representative organizations participated in the implementation of victim assistance in less than half of affected countries and endorses the need for such survivors views and rights to be fully respected;

25. Regrets that landmine survivors or their representative organizations participated in the implementation of victim assistance in less than half of affected countries and endorses the need for such survivors views and rights to be fully respected; ***urges the international community and the***

European Union to significantly increase funding for victim assistance but not at the expense of mine clearance;

Or. en

Amendment 73
Geoffrey Van Orden

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 25 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

25 a. Calls for a greater proportion of available funding to be devoted to victim assistance;

Or. en

Amendment 74
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 27

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

27. Notes *the advances* that have been made in mine detection technology and techniques *but regrets that* rapid, reliable, cost effective solutions remain elusive and that *time-honoured but labour intensive, time consuming, and dangerous* techniques using manual probes inevitably remain in widespread use;

27. Notes that - *even if advances* have been made in mine detection technology, *training* and techniques - rapid, reliable, cost effective solutions remain elusive and that techniques using manual probes inevitably remain in widespread use; *acknowledges the important contribution of the UN International Mine Action Standards (IMAS) in enhancing safety and efficiency of mine action by setting standards and providing guidance as well as the role of the UN Mine Action Service in coordinating mine action efforts;*

Or. en

Amendment 75
Maria Eleni Koppa

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 28

Motion for a resolution

28. Notes that the most fruitful prospects for technical advances in detection lie in the combination of a number of technologies, and ***further crossover from technologies to combat the IED threat to military operations;***

Amendment

28. Notes that the most fruitful prospects for technical advances in detection lie in ***tailor-made methods based on*** the combination of a number of technologies, ***in order to avoid casualties and perform demining with minimal environmental impact;***

Or. en

Amendment 76
Elena Băsescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for the European Commission to allocate further research funding to mine survey and detection technologies and techniques, in close cooperation with international ***partners;***

Amendment

30. Calls for the European Commission to allocate further research funding to mine survey and detection technologies and techniques, in close cooperation with international ***actors specialized in this particular field;***

Or. en

Amendment 77
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 30

Motion for a resolution

30. Calls for the European Commission to allocate further research funding to mine survey and detection technologies and techniques, in close cooperation with international partners;

Amendment

30. Calls for the European Commission to allocate further research funding to mine survey and detection technologies and techniques, in close cooperation with international partners ***and to use funds available in the context of Framework Program 7 and the Security Research cluster***;

Or. en

Amendment 78
Geoffrey Van Orden

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Is concerned that some of the countries which suffer from APL affliction are relying too much on international financial assistance for mine action and not deploying sufficient of their own resources in manpower or revenue;

Amendment

31. Is concerned that some of the countries which suffer from APL affliction are relying too much on international financial assistance for mine action and not deploying sufficient of their own resources in manpower or revenue; ***calls for the situation in Angola, in particular, to be scrutinised in order to mobilise a greater national contribution***;

Or. en

Amendment 79
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 31

Motion for a resolution

31. Is concerned that some of the countries which suffer from APL affliction are

Amendment

31. Is concerned that some of the countries which suffer from APL affliction are

relying too much on international financial assistance for mine action and not deploying sufficient of their own resources in manpower or revenue;

relying too much on international financial assistance for mine action and not deploying sufficient of their own resources in manpower or revenue; ***calls on the EU to ensure greater involvement of the affected countries and to remind those countries of their responsibilities;***

Or. en

Amendment 80
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32

Motion for a resolution

32. Is concerned by diversion of resources into 'mine clearance' of areas where there is ***little humanitarian or economic development threat, or where there is perception of threat but no reality, to the detriment of focus on areas of high threat to life***, calls for greater emphasis on improved planning and management of operations and more accurate initial survey and reporting of suspect areas;

Amendment

32. Is concerned by diversion of resources into 'mine clearance' of areas where there is ***insufficient basis for classifying land as mine-affected and*** calls for greater emphasis on improved planning and management of operations and more accurate initial survey and reporting of suspect areas;

Or. en

Amendment 81
Geoffrey Van Orden

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 32 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

32 a. Expresses concern at the poor security and control of military magazines holding weapons and explosive ordnance, including landmines, particularly in countries in revolt and disorder;

Amendment

Amendment 82
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 33

Motion for a resolution

33. Believes that the international community should focus its attention on those countries least able to help themselves, and on mine clearance and assistance to victims, and that the aim should be to move more rapidly to a situation where countries can be declared free of mine threat to life and economic development;

Amendment

33. Believes that the international community **and the European Union** should focus its attention on **mine clearance and assistance to victims in** those countries least able to help themselves, and on mine clearance and assistance to victims, and that the aim should be to move more rapidly to a situation where countries can be declared free of mine threat to life and economic development **while ultimately moving towards the clearance of all known mined areas**;

Amendment 83
Elena Băsescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

34. Urges donors to **maintain** funding with more effective targeting and evaluation;

Amendment

34. Urges donors to **provide** funding with more effective targeting and evaluation;

Amendment 84
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 34

Motion for a resolution

34. Urges donors to maintain funding with more effective targeting and evaluation;

Amendment

34. Urges donors to maintain funding with more effective targeting, **monitoring** and evaluation;

Or. en

Amendment 85
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

37. Regrets that there is no reliable measure of the current number of victims of APL/ERW/IED and urges **a** proper analysis as a guide to targeting resources more effectively, with greater consideration given to the needs of victims and their families;

Amendment

37. Regrets that there is no reliable measure of the current number of victims of APL/ERW/IED, **cluster munitions** and urges **an assessment disaggregated by age and gender** proper analysis as a guide to targeting resources more effectively, with greater consideration given to the **medical and social** needs of victims and their families;

Or. en

Amendment 86
Elena Băsescu

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 37

Motion for a resolution

37. Regrets that there is no reliable **measure** of the current number of victims of APL/ERW/IED and urges a proper analysis as a guide to targeting resources more effectively, with greater

Amendment

37. Regrets that there is no reliable **census** of the current number of victims of APL/ERW/IED and urges a proper analysis as a guide to targeting resources more effectively, with greater consideration

consideration given to the needs of victims and their families;

given to the needs of victims and their families;

Or. en

Amendment 87
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38

Motion for a resolution

38. Regrets that since the elimination of the EU's dedicated budget line in 2007, the EU has lacked an instrument that is flexible and multi-country in nature, responding coherently to mine action priorities and that there is a drop in *the transparency of* EU funding for mine action and calls therefore for restoration of a more dedicated approach, with one budget line under one lead directorate that will signal the strength of the EU's continued commitment to mine action;

Amendment

38. Regrets that since the elimination of the EU's dedicated budget line in 2007, the EU has lacked an instrument that is flexible and multi-country in nature, responding coherently to mine action priorities and that there is, *in quantitative terms*, a drop in *overall* EU funding for mine action *from 68,4 million in 2006 to 33 million in 2007* and calls therefore for restoration of a more dedicated approach, with one budget line under one lead directorate *with dedicated staff* that will signal the strength of the EU's continued commitment to mine action *which needs to take into account the specific needs of individual countries as laid down in Country Strategy Papers and at the same time the fact that in some countries the existence of landmines has become a structural issue and thus an issue for EU development policy*;

Or. en

Amendment 88
Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 38 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

38 a. calls for a qualitative in depth evaluation of EU funding on mine action during the past and the present multiannual financial perspective in order to shed light on specific advantages and shortcomings of the different approaches (dedicated budget line or mainstreaming into development policy or other external instruments) that have been used and also in order to provide a sound basis for the next multiannual financial perspective;

Or. en

Amendment 89

Ulrike Lunacek

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 38 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

38 b. regrets that so far neither the exceptional assistance (Article 3) nor the long term component (Article 4) of the Instrument for Stability have been used for funding of mine action programs;

Or. en

Amendment 90

Elena Băsescu

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 39

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

39. Stresses the capacity for mine action to make significant contributions to post-conflict disarmament, demobilization and

39. Stresses the capacity for mine action to make significant contributions to post-conflict disarmament, demobilization and

rehabilitation, not least by providing **highly respected training** and work for former combatants;

rehabilitation, not least by providing **targeted expertise** and work for former combatants;

Or. en

Amendment 91
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 40

Motion for a resolution

40. Calls for donors to standardise their methods of evaluating the cost effectiveness of mine actions, so that they are more open to comparison and scrutiny on a country by country basis, and through the agency of MASG, to identify and propagate best practice;

Amendment

40. Calls for donors to standardise their methods of **monitoring and** evaluating the cost effectiveness of mine actions, so that they are more open to comparison and scrutiny on a country by country basis, and through the agency of MASG, to identify and propagate best practice;

Or. en

Amendment 92
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 41 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

41 a. Underlines that mine action should form a compulsory element of country strategies where mines are known to exist and/or to be stockpiled;

Or. en

Amendment 93
Tunne Kelam

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 42

Motion for a resolution

42. Is convinced that through better international coordination and prioritisation, improved management, survey and demining practices, better reporting, and more astute and better use of funds, a world free of the APL threat to life, livelihood and economic development, is a realistic possibility within a finite period;

Amendment

42. Is convinced that through better international coordination and prioritisation, improved management, survey and demining practices, better ***monitoring and*** reporting, and more astute and better use of funds, a world free of the APL threat to life, livelihood and economic development, is a realistic possibility within a finite period;

Or. en