Weapons Removal and Abatement

Humanitarian Mine Action

Country Programming

2007 PM/WRA

Grants Workshop

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Outline

• Mission
• Resources
• Activities
• Planning
• Case Study
• Tools
U.S. Department of State
U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)
Strategic Plan

- Transformational Diplomacy
- Focus on Foreign Assistance
  - Missions/Strategic Goals
  - Programs/Objectives
  - Budget Formulation
Mission Statements

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE/U.S. AGENCY FOR INT’L DEVELOPMENT:** Advance freedom for the benefit of the American people and the international community by helping to build and sustain a more democratic, secure, and prosperous world composed of well-governed states that respond to the needs of their people, reduce widespread poverty, and act responsibly within the international community.

**BUREAU OF POLITICAL-MILITARY AFFAIRS:** To integrate diplomacy and military power to foster a stable and secure international environment hospitable to American Values and Interests.
Response to U.S. DoS/AID

Strategic Plan

Strategic Goal 1: Achieving Peace and Security
- Counterterrorism
- Conflict Prevention
- WMD
- Transnational Crime
- Security Cooperation
- Homeland Security

Strategic Goal 3: Investing in People
- Health
- Education
- Social

Strategic Goal 3: Providing Humanitarian Asst
- Protection, Assistance, Solutions
- Disaster Prevention
- Orderly and Humane Migration
Office Of Weapons Removal And Abatement

Mission

To develop policy options, implement destruction and mitigation programs and engage civil society in order to reduce the harmful Colombian effects generated by indiscriminately used, illicit and abandoned conventional weapons of war.

Vision

A world where the use or probable use of illicit, abandoned, unsecured or indiscriminately used conventional weapons of war no longer threaten civilians.
Activities – Mine Action

- Over $1 billion 1993 – 2007
- 46 countries to date
  - 19 currently
    - 17 via Bilateral Country Funding
    - 2 via funding to OAS
    - + Balkan States via International Trust Fund
- World’s only quick reaction capability
- ¼ to ⅓ of global HMA assistance
- Executed IAW Strategic Plan for HMA
Current Programs

Priority 1
- Angola
- Afghanistan
- Cambodia
- Iraq
- Laos
- Vietnam

Remaining Priorities
- Azerbaijan
- Chad
- Colombia
- Nicaragua
- Jordan
- Yemen
- Estonia

• + Balkan States via the ITF

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USG Mine Action Goals

1. Protect Victims of Conflict
2. Restore Access to Land and Infrastructure
3. Develop Host Nation Capacity
4. Advance Peace and Promote Conflict Resolution
5. Demonstrate Support for Friends and Allies
6. Improve Global Humanitarian Mine Action Response Mechanism
7. Expand funding base for Mine Action
8. Facilitate SA/LW and MANPADS Destruction Efforts
Mine Action
Country Planning

- Dos Framework
- Legislation
- BPP

HMA Strategic Plan

PM/WRA Program Design & Review

Review by Country Stakeholders

Mine Action Country Plan

- World Bank
- UNDP
- Treaties

National Mine Action Strategic Plan
Country Selection Criteria

• Humanitarian Need

• National Foreign Policy Interests

• Program Structure, Management, Accountability and Transparency

• Demonstrated Host Nation Commitment
Application Process HMA

• Host Nation Demonstrates:
  – Demonstrate need and show initial results
  – Make case for investment
  – Focus on commonality of interests

• Formal Application:
  – Approach U.S. Embassy to gain endorsement
  – Embassy forwards endorsement to DC
  – Policy/Program Assessment Visit
  – Interagency committee considers application

• Ultimate Result:
  – National Strategy
  – National Ownership
HMA Country Plan

• Situation
  – Historical Background
  – U.S. Interests and Equities
  – Effectiveness To Date
    • PM/WRA
    • National Programs
• End State

• Program Execution
  – Intent/Impact
  – Goals and Objectives
  – Other Agencies/Organizations
• Resources
  – Implementing Mechanisms
• Points of Contact
End State

• Example 1:
  – The end state is the development of a host national capacity able to manage and execute mine action activities (including long-term UXO abatement) in a safe, effective, and transparent manner.

• Example 2:
  – The end state for direct U.S. HMA assistance is the clearance of all high priority (e.g., agricultural land, health and education facilities) in the country.
Goals and Objectives

- **Goal A: Protect Victims of Conflict**
  - **Objective 1 (Open):** Clear over 1 million sq m of land annually in rural communities to reduce threat to farmers and safe movement of local populations.
  - **Objective 2 (Open):** Continued decrease in landmine/UXO victims through operational clearance of land and roads.
Goals and Objectives

• **Goal B: Develop Host Nation Capacity**
  
  – **Objective 1 (Met):** Initiate a pilot (40 Man) Emergency Humanitarian Demining Unit to provide an “emergency rapid response” capability to contingency situations determined by the national mine action authorities.
  
  – **Objective 2 (Open):** Continue to support the emergency rapid response units during period of hostilities.
Case Study
Azerbaijan

Strategic Interests

• U.S.
  – Energy Security
  – Free Market Reforms
  – Regional Stability and Security
    • Russia
    • Iran
    • Armenia

• Azerbaijan
  – Economic Recovery
  – Political Stability
  – Land Release
  – Victim Reduction
Azerbaijan

End State:

• Development of a host nation capacity able to manage and execute mine action activities in a safe, effective and transparent manner and financial support of operations through 2008. UXO contamination will still likely be prevalent after 2008 and ANAMA operational focus is expected to shift to UXO clearance and increased support to Victims Assistance.
Azerbaijan

Goals and Objectives

• Protect Victims of Conflict:
  – Casualty Reduction
  – Mine Risk Education

• Restore Access to Land and Infrastructure
  – Land Clearance/Release

• Build Host Nation Capacity
  – National Mine Action Authority Training
  – Mechanical Clearance Capability
  – Mine Detection Dog Program
Country Planning Cycle

- Aug 06 – FY08 Budget Submission to President
- January/Feb 07 – FY08 Budget Submission to Congress
- Sept/Oct 07 – Country Plans drafted/briefed/approved
- Oct 07 – Fiscal Year 08 - $
• How can you help us achieve our goals?
  – Budgets are increasing
    • FY 07 = $59.6M
    • FY 08 = $76.5M (projected)
  – Grantees encouraged to provide services
    • Sole Source grants via the Country Planning process
    • Competitive grants
      – Looking for new partners
      – Looking for creative ideas and concepts
  • Team with Contractors
QUESTIONS