



**REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE**

**3rd MEETING OF THE STATES PARTIES OF THE  
CONVENTION ON CLUSTER MUNITIONS**

**Statement of Mozambique on  
Stockpile Destruction**

by the Head of Delegation,  
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Mr President,

As noted in our initial Transparency Report that was submitted in June of this year, the Armed Forces of the Republic of Mozambique have completed a review of their munitions and identified a stockpile of cluster munitions. The Armed Forces reported that they have already separated the cluster munitions from other munitions retained for operational use and marked them for destruction. This stockpile includes a total of 290 RBK-250 cluster munitions containers. The Armed Forces have stated that these cluster munitions contain both Anti-personnel submunitions and Anti-Tank submunitions. Pending verification of the payloads, the Armed Forces estimated that the cluster munitions contain 14,550 anti-personnel

submunitions and 8,106 PTAB anti-tank submunitions giving us a total of 22,656 stockpiled submunitions that will need to be destroyed.

Mr. President,

The Armed Forces of Mozambique are currently developing their plan for stockpile destruction. Mozambique will seek to request technical assistance and financial support to complete the destruction process. As always, we would be grateful for any assistance from other States Parties and the international community to aid us in meeting our stockpile destruction obligations. With the support of our partners, the Government of Mozambique is confident it can complete the destruction of its stockpile well ahead of the deadline established under Article 3 of the convention.

Thank you.

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