

Updates on Article Nine of the CCM:

Excellences, Distinguished Heads of Delegations, Ladies and Gentlemen:

In relation to the Article nine of the convention, the Directorate of Mine Action Coordination (DMAC) of the Afghanistan National Disaster Management Authority (ANDMA) which serves as the national mine action authority, in coordination with the relevant ministries has drafted a legislation for implementation the mine action related international conventions including the convention on cluster mentions. The said legislation is being reviewed by the Ministry of Justice. Ministry of Justice has committed to process the said legislation by end of September 2016. Once its review is completed by the Ministry of Justice, it will be sent to the Cabinet for their review and endorsement and then to the office of H.E President for final approval.

At the end I would like to reiterate that the GIRoA commit itself to fulfilling its obligations in relation to the Convention on Cluster Mentions and other international conventions to which Afghanistan is a state party.

Thank you