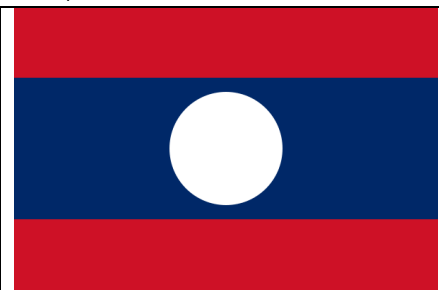



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	<p><b>Laos</b></p> <p>Signed: 3 December 2008 Ratified: 18 March 2009 Entered into force: 1 August 2010</p>	
<p><b>Article 3 - Stockpile destruction and retention</b></p> <p>Does not have cluster munition stockpiles</p>		
<p><b>Article 4 - Clearance and risk reduction education</b></p> <p>Clearance obligation deadline: 1 August 2020, extended to 1 August 2025</p> <p>Estimated contaminated area: 8,470 km<sup>2</sup>, confirmed hazardous area (CHA): approx. 1,745 km<sup>2</sup></p> <p>Clearance of 48.20 km<sup>2</sup> in 2022 cleared including and 85,123 cluster munitions destroyed.</p> <p>Submitted <a href="#">extension request</a> that was considered at the 9MSP; analysis of the request can be found <a href="#">here</a></p>		
<p><b>Article 5 - Victim assistance</b></p> <p>Has cluster munition victims</p> <p>National focal point designated</p> <p>National laws for VA issued and updated The Government Decree number 210/GoL of 29 July 2022</p> <p>National UXO Strategy outlines support to UXO victims based on its VA framework 2021-2025</p> <p>State Party to Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities since 25 September 2009</p>		
<p><b>Article 6 - International cooperation and assistance</b></p> <p>Has requested assistance to fulfil Article 4 and Article 5 obligations</p> <p>Donors in 2022 included: Canada, Canada, Ireland, Japan, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Norway, United Kingdom, USA, Republic of Korea, The Netherlands, UNDP, and other donors</p>		
<p><b>Article 7 - Transparency measures</b></p> <p>Initial transparency report submitted on 25 January 2011</p> <p>Annual reports submitted covering: 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022</p>		
<p><b>Article 9 - National implementation measures</b></p> <p>Draft of national CCM-specific legislation is currently being prepared in consultation with stakeholders</p>		
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