

**Observations and Comments of the CCM Article 4 Analysis Group on the  
updated Extension Request submitted by Chile on 9 May 2022**

The Analysis Group commends the timely submission of Chile's updated extension request and for the provision of the additional information requested by the Group in its feedback of 3 May 2022. The Analysis Group also acknowledges that Chile has responded to most of the questions posed by the Group and the extension request is clearer now on how much work will be undertaken each year. In order to facilitate reporting and follow-up, the Analysis Group also recommends that Chile provides reports based on the breakdowns of the amount of land to be cleared and progress per task in terms of weeks.

However, the Analysis Group still believes that the process of considering the extension request of Chile would benefit from the provision of further clarification and additional information on some of the issues raised earlier, in order to further strengthen the extension request. In this regard, the Analysis Group request Chile to provide additional clarity on the following points.

**1. Clarify on the clearance capacity**

There still remains some lack of clarity on the clearance target for each area.

Specifically,

- (a) given that Chile only has 2 teams of 12 EOD specialists at each site, to what degree does Chile expect to actually find submunitions at the four sites?
- (b) does Chile expect that the density/number of unexploded submunitions might in fact be quite limited, following previous clearance that took place after the cluster munitions were used/tested at the sites for training purposes? This would assist to assess if the clearance target is achievable

**2. More Detailed Resource Mobilization Plan**

While Chile has provided more information on its plan to mobilize the necessary resources to undertake the necessary activities during the extension period, it remains unclear whether or not the annual requests for funding from the Ministry of Finance will not

constitute a threat to uninterrupted operations. In this regard, the Analysis Group recommends that :-

- (a) Chile provides greater assurance that the necessary annual funding will be secured, and that the proposed work will be done according to the presented plan.
- (b) Chile clarifies whether the prioritization of COVID-19 will continue to disrupt funding.

**3. Clarity on the need for risk education and plans for related activities**

The updated request informs that risk education activities will be conducted in coastal settlements in the vicinity of the Barrancas military range and a couple of other settlements near the Delta military range. It would also seem that risk education would only be relevant in the first two years of the extension period after which these 2 areas should be cleared.

If there is a clear threat to local population, Chile needs to submit a more detailed plan on risk education which would include details on the target groups, actual plan of activities (who would do what, where, and when), as well as cost of risk education outreach and provide clear sources of funding for these activities.

**4. Gender and diversity**

The Analysis group commends the inclusion of some information on the inclusion of women in the EOD teams and of their access to existing senior positions within the structures. However, the request does not mention the element of the diversity of populations in accordance with Lausanne Action Plan commitments adopted by States Parties. Chile is encouraged to elaborate on this information in line with LAP provisions.

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