

Article 3 - Declaration of Compliance

Submitted by [State Party]: _____

Article 3 destruction deadline: _____ [day/month/year]

Date of completion: _____ [day/month/year]

[State Party] ratified/acceded to the Convention on [day/month/year]. The Convention entered into force for [State Party] on [day/month/year].

Article 3 - Storage and stockpile destruction

1. Each State Party shall, in accordance with national regulations, separate all cluster munitions under its jurisdiction and control from munitions retained for operational use and mark them for the purpose of destruction.
2. Each State Party undertakes to destroy or ensure the destruction of all cluster munitions referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article as soon as possible but not later than eight years after the entry into force of this Convention for that State Party. Each State Party undertakes to ensure that destruction methods comply with applicable international standards for protecting public health and the environment.

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3. States Parties that have fulfilled obligations under Article 3 are encouraged to make an official declaration of compliance with Article 3 obligations to meetings of States Parties or review conferences of the Convention and in annual submissions of transparency reports under Article 7.

Declaration

4. As a result of efforts undertaken since its initial transparency report, [State Party] declares that it has fulfilled its obligations under Article 3 of the Convention by having destroyed or ensured the destruction of all cluster munition stockpiles and determined that there are no longer any such stockpiles under its jurisdiction or control. In the event that previously unknown stockpiles of cluster munitions, including submunitions, are discovered after the date of completion, [State Party], in keeping with Article 7 paragraph 1(g), will immediately inform States Parties of such a discovery and share this information through annual transparency reports and any other fora including Meetings of States Parties, Review Conferences and informal meetings of the Convention. If [State Party] believes that it will be unable to destroy or ensure destruction of all newly discovered cluster munitions within its Article 3 deadline it may submit a request to a Meeting of States Parties or Review Conference for an extension of the deadline by a period up to four years as stipulated in Article 3. If such a discovery is after the original Article 3 deadline and [State Party] is unable to destroy such cluster munitions before the next Meeting of States Parties/Review Conference, it may request an extension of up to four years to complete such destruction.

Signature and official stamp

Date and place