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Lao People's **Democratic** Republic

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Article 3 - Stockpile destruction and retention

Does not have cluster munition stockpiles

Article 4 - Clearance and risk reduction education

Clearance obligation deadline: 1 August 2020, extended to 1 August 2025

Estimated contaminated area: approximately 8,470 million m², confirmed hazardous area (CHA): 1,298 million m²

Clearance of 53.92 million m² in 2019 (total area cleared: 529.75 million m²)

Submitted extension request that was considered at the 9MSP; analysis of the request can be found here

Prioritization plan, Desk Review National Strategic Plan, has been identified to implement clearance during extension period

Article 5 - Victim assistance

Has cluster munition victims

National focal point designated

Victim Assistance Strategy for 2014-2020 being implemented (new 2021-2025 framework is being finalized)

State Party to Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities since 25 September 2009

Article 6 - International cooperation and assistance

Has requested assistance to fulfil Article 4 and Article 5 obligations

Donors in 2019 included: Canada, Ireland, Japan, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Norway, and United Kingdom

Article 7 - Transparency measures

Initial transparency report submitted on 25 January 2011

Annual reports submitted covering: 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020

Article 9 - National implementation measures

Draft of national CCM-specific legislation is currently being prepared in consultation with stakeholders

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