Statement by the Delegation of the Republic of Croatia

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE

Madame President,

Croatia is happy to inform about close cooperation and assistance provided to more than 20 countries affected by cluster munitions. Cooperation agreements were signed with Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Columbia, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Libya, Serbia, Ukraine, and Yemen. Close cooperation has also been established with all the countries of Southeast Europe.

Croatia would be happy to broaden our international cooperating by assisting partners with the development of the following:

- National centres for mine action;
- Legal frameworks for mine action;
- Information and geographic information systems;
- Planning systems, such as national programmes and standard operating procedures;
- Training of staff in operating demining equipment;
- Training of staff in monitoring and verification of demining;
- Locally designed and produced demining machines and equipment;
- Expertise and know-how of our own demining companies;
- Testing demining machines and equipment.

We look forward to exploring possibilities of cooperation and assistance with all interested partners.