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Mines Other Than Anti-Personnel Mines (MOTAPM)

Draft Proposal by the Co-ordinator on MOTAPM

The GGE recommends to the States Parties that it would continue its work in the year 2003 with the following mandate:

1. To negotiate a protocol on measures to reduce the risks posed by the irresponsible use of mines other than anti-personnel mines. Negotiations would take into account:
 - the necessity to strike the right balance between humanitarian concerns and military utility of MOTAPM;
 - existing restrictions on such mines in the CCW Amended mines protocol;
 - technical and other measures aimed at minimizing the humanitarian risks posed by such mines as well as the modalities for their effective implementation;
 - questions involving the use of MOTAPM by non-state actors;
 - any question involving other aspects of such mines.
2. Decisions of the GGE shall be adopted by consensus.
3. In the context of the activities described above, meetings of military experts can be conducted to provide advice in support of these activities.
4. To schedule, in coordination with meetings on Explosive Remnants of War (ERW), in 2003, [?] weeks of negotiating meetings in the year 2003.
5. To report to States Parties at their next meeting.