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**United Nations
and
Croatia**

Agreement between the United Nations and the Government of the Republic of Croatia regarding the sixth meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction (with annex). New York, 16 November 2005, and Zagreb, 22 November 2005

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**Organisation des Nations Unies
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Accord entre l'Organisation des Nations Unies et le Gouvernement de la République de Croatie relatif à la sixième réunion des États Parties à la Convention sur l'interdiction de l'emploi, du stockage, de la production et du transfert des mines antipersonnel et sur leur destruction (avec annexe). New York, 16 novembre 2005, et Zagreb, 22 novembre 2005

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**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA REGARDING THE
SIXTH MEETING OF THE STATES PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON
THE PROHIBITION OF THE USE, STOCKPILING, PRODUCTION AND
TRANSFER OF ANTI-PERSONNEL MINES AND ON THEIR
DESTRUCTION**

WHEREAS the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction ("the Convention") was concluded at Oslo on 18 September 1997;

WHEREAS the Convention, pursuant to its Article 17, paragraph 1, entered into force on 1 March 1999, i.e., the first day of the sixth month after the month in which the 40th instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession had been deposited;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article 11, paragraph 2 of the Convention, the First Meeting of States Parties was convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations within one year after the entry into force of the Convention in Maputo, Mozambique, from 3 to 7 May 1999;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article 11, paragraph 2 of the Convention, subsequent meetings were convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations annually until the First Review Conference as follows: in Geneva, Switzerland, from 11 to 15 September 2000; in Managua, Nicaragua, from 18 to 21 September 2001; in Geneva, Switzerland, from 16 to 20 September 2002; in Bangkok, Kingdom of Thailand, from 15 to 19 September 2003;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article 12 of the Convention, the First Review Conference was convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations five years after the entry into force of this Convention in Nairobi, Kenya, from 29 November to 3 December 2004;

WHEREAS the First Review Conference decided, as contained in paragraph 32 (a) of the Final Report of the Conference (APLC/CONF/2004/5), that meetings of the States Parties shall be convened annually until the Second Review Conference;

WHEREAS the First Review Conference decided, as stipulated in paragraph 33 (a) of the Final Report of the Conference (APLC/CONF/2004/5), that the Sixth Meeting of the States Parties shall be convened in Croatia, from 28 November to 2 December 2005;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 14, paragraph 1 of the Convention, the costs of the Sixth Meeting shall be borne by the States Parties and States not parties to the Convention participating therein, in accordance with the United Nations scale of assessments adjusted appropriately;

WHEREAS the General Assembly of the United Nations, by resolution 59/84 of 3 December 2004, requested the Secretary-General of the United Nations to undertake the preparations necessary to convene the next meeting of the States Parties, pending a decision to be taken at the First Review Conference, and to invite States not parties to

the Convention, as well as the United Nations, other relevant international organizations or institutions, regional organizations, the International Committee of the Red Cross and relevant non-governmental organizations to attend the meeting as observers;

NOW THEREFORE, the United Nations and the Government of the Republic of Croatia ("the Government") hereby agree as follows:

Article I
Date and place of the Meeting

The Sixth Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention shall be held at Zagreb Fair Centre in Zagreb, Republic of Croatia, from 28 November to 2 December 2005.

Article II
Attendance at the Meeting

1. In accordance with the provisions of the Convention and the rules of procedure agreed by States Parties, the Sixth Meeting shall be open to:

- (a) Representatives of the States Parties to the Convention;
- (b) Representatives of States not parties to the Convention;
- (c) Representatives of the United Nations;
- (d) Representatives of other relevant international organizations or institutions;
- (e) Representatives of regional organizations;
- (f) Representatives of the International Committee of the Red Cross;
- (g) Representatives of relevant non-governmental organizations.

2. The public meetings of the Sixth Meeting shall be open to representatives of the information media accredited to the Sixth Meeting in consultation with the Government.

Article III
Premises, equipment, utilities and supplies

1. The Government shall make available at its own cost such conference space and facilities as are necessary for the holding of the Sixth Meeting, including conference rooms for informal meetings, office and storage space, lounges and other related facilities as well as the necessary space for registration areas and exhibition areas (press, television and radio), as specified in the Annex of the present Agreement.

2. For the purposes of servicing the Sixth Meeting, the premises referred to in

paragraph 1 above shall remain at the disposal of the United Nations 24 hours a day throughout the Sixth Meeting. Necessary parts of the premises shall be put at the disposition of the United Nations by the Government for such reasonable additional time in advance of the opening and after the closing of the Sixth Meeting as is agreed between the United Nations and the Government for the preparation and settlement of all matters connected with the Sixth Meeting but which in any case shall be no less than 8 days or greater than 10 days in advance of and no more than one week following the Sixth Meeting.

3. The Plenary Hall shall be equipped for simultaneous interpretation and sound recordings in the six languages of the Convention.
4. The Government shall make available and maintain at its own cost the equipment necessary for the conduct of the Sixth Meeting as described in the Annex of the present Agreement. The Government shall also arrange for the furnishing, equipping and maintenance in good repair of all premises and equipment in an adequate manner for the effective conduct of the Sixth Meeting.
5. The Government shall make available at its own cost all stationery supplies as described in the Annex of the present Agreement for the adequate functioning of the Sixth Meeting.
6. The Government shall make available at its own cost all necessary utility services such as water and electricity, as well as local telephone communications of the Sixth Meeting and communications by telefax, electronic mail transmission as well as international telephone communications when such communications are authorized by the Executive Secretary of the Sixth Meeting or the persons delegated by him or her.
7. The Government shall ensure access at, or within close proximity of, the Sixth Meeting on a commercial basis, to banking, postal (stamps and mail box only), telephone, telefax and other telecommunications facilities, catering facilities, travel agency and a secretarial service centre equipped in consultation with the United Nations, for use by the participants referred to in Article II above.
8. The Government shall install and make available press facilities for written coverage, film coverage, interviews and programme preparation, a press working area and a briefing room for correspondents as specified in the Annex of the present Agreement.
9. Without prejudice to the present article, the Government and the United Nations can mutually agree to change the specifications detailed in the Annex in order to secure the most adequate usage of the premises and equipment of the Sixth Meeting.

Article IV **Accommodation**

The Government shall ensure that adequate accommodation in hotels or residences is available upon reasonable notice at commercial rates for persons participating in or attending the Sixth Meeting. The Government shall ensure that,

upon reasonable notice, sufficient block bookings are made in appropriate hotels to accommodate United Nations staff.

Article V
Medical Facilities

The Government shall make available at its own cost adequate medical facilities for first aid in emergencies within the Sixth Meeting area. As to immediate access and admission to hospital, they shall be assured by the Government whenever required, and the necessary transport shall be constantly available on call.

Article VI
Transport

1. The Government shall provide transport between Pleso International Airport and principal hotels for the members of the United Nations Secretariat servicing the Conference upon their arrival and departure, as well as transportation to and from the hotels and the Sixth Meeting premises for the duration of the Sixth Meeting and a reasonable time before and after for the preparation of and settlement of all matters related to the Sixth Meeting. The Government shall ensure that such official transportation is expeditiously provided as required for the appropriate servicing of the Sixth Meeting.
2. The Government shall ensure the availability of transport for all participants and those attending the Conference between the Pleso International Airport, the principal hotels and the conference area.
3. The Government shall make available at its own cost appropriate transportation for heads of delegations who are ministers, United Nations senior officials and senior officials of regional or international organizations to and from the airport as well as to and from the Sixth Meeting premises as required.
4. The coordination and use of cars, buses and minibuses made available pursuant to this article shall be ensured by transportation dispatchers to be provided by the Government.

Article VII
Police protection

The Government shall make available such police protection as may be required to ensure the efficient functioning of the Sixth Meeting without interference of any kind. Such police service shall be under the direct supervision and control of a senior officer to be provided by the Government and shall work in close cooperation with the Security Liaison Officer designated by the United Nations for the purpose, so as to ensure a proper atmosphere of security and tranquillity. Equipment needs for the entire security arrangements shall be determined by the Government.