

**THIRD REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE
STATES PARTIES TO THE
CONVENTION ON PROHIBITIONS OR
RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF
CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS
WHICH MAY BE DEEMED TO BE
EXCESSIVELY INJURIOUS OR TO
HAVE INDISCRIMINATE EFFECTS**

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REPORT OF MAIN COMMITTEE II

1. Rule 35 of the Rules of Procedure of the Third Review Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects provides that:

“There shall be two Main Committees, which shall receive their assignments from the Conference and report to it.”

2. The Third Review Conference, at its first plenary meeting, on 7 November 2006, decided to entrust Main Committee II with the mandate to “consider proposals for additional protocols to the Convention.”

3. The Committee held meetings from 8 to 16 November 2006, chaired by Ambassador Carlos Antonio da Rocha Paranhos of Brazil, Chairperson of the Committee. Mr. Vladimir Novokhatskiy of Russian Federation served as Vice-Chairperson of the Committee. Mr. Peter Kolarov, Political Affairs Officer of the United Nations Department for Disarmament Affairs (Geneva Branch), served as Secretary of the Committee.

4. At its first meeting, on 8 November 2006, the Committee adopted its Agenda (CCW/CONF.III/5 with oral amendments), and its Programme of Work (CCW/CONF.III/7/Add.5- CCW/GGE/XV/6/Add.5 with oral amendments).

5. In the course of its consideration of item 14 of the Agenda of the Third Review Conference, entitled “Consideration of proposals for additional protocols to the Convention”, the Committee had before it the following documents:

- Procedural Report. Fifteenth session of the Group of Governmental Experts (CCW/CONF.III/7 – CCW/GGE/XV/6);
- Report on the Work on Explosive Remnants of War (CCW/CONF.III/7/Add.1 - CCW/GGE/XV/6/Add.1);
- Report on the Work in 2006 on Mines other than Anti-personnel Mines (CCW/CONF.III/7/Add.2 – CCW/GGE/XV/6/Add.2);

- Proposal for a mandate to Negotiate a Legally-Binding Instrument that Addresses the Humanitarian Concerns Posed by Cluster Munitions (CCW/CONF.III/WP.1);
- Proposal for a Mandate on Explosive Remnants of War (CCW/CONF.III/WP.3);
- European Union comments on the report by the Coordinator and the Chairperson of the Meetings of Military Experts on the work in 2006 on MOTAPM (CCW/CONF.III/WP.5);
- An integrated approach to efforts to ensure more effective protection of civilians from Mines Other Than Anti-Personnel Mines (CCW/CONF.III/WP.6);
- Proposal for a Decision on a Mandate on Cluster Munitions (CCW/CONF.III/WP.14);
- Proposal for a Mandate on Explosive Remnants of War (CCW/CONF.III/WP.15).

6. At its final meeting on 16 November 2006, the Committee adopted its draft report (CCW/CONF.III/MC.II/CRP.1), which is being issued as document CCW/CONF.III/10.

Annex I

Agenda of Main Committee II

(as adopted by the Committee on 8 November 2006)

1. Opening of the meeting by the Chairperson.
2. General statements regarding new proposals.
3. Consideration of Mines Other Than Anti-Personnel Mines¹.
4. Consideration of Explosive Remnants of War².
5. Consideration of procedural matters and follow-up.
6. Any other matters.
7. Conclusions.

¹ In accordance with the mandate as contained in paragraph 31 of CCW/MSP/2005/2 dated 14 February 2006.

² In accordance with the mandate as contained in paragraph 30 of CCW/MSP/2005/2 dated 14 February 2006.

Annex II

Programme of Work of Main Committee II

(as adopted by the Committee on 8 November 2006)

DATE	AGENDA ITEM	TITLE
Thursday, 9 November 2006 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	1	Opening of the meeting by the Chairperson
	2	General statements regarding new proposals
Friday, 10 November 2006 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	3	Consideration of Mines Other Than Anti-Personnel Mines ¹
Tuesday, 14 November 2006 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	4	Consideration of Explosive Remnants of War ²
Wednesday, 15 November 2006 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	5	Consideration of procedural matters and follow-up
	6	Any other matters
	7	Conclusions

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