



QUANG TRI MINE ACTION CENTER

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MESSAGE

FROM QTMAC'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dear domestic and international organizations, donors, partners, and communities,

Over the years, Quang Tri province has witnessed the continuous and concerted efforts of local authorities, donors, and domestic and international organizations in jointly addressing and mitigating the impacts of explosive remnants of war. These efforts have gradually transformed contaminated and abandoned land into safe areas with strong potential for development.

As the coordinating center for mine action activities in Quang Tri province, Quang Tri Mine Action Center (QTMAC) is proud to play a pioneering role in these efforts and this journey.

We are committed to working closely with domestic and international organizations not only to effectively address the threats posed by explosive remnants of war, but also to integrate mine action with the local efforts toward sustainable socio-economic development. At the same time, we will continue to innovate, apply advanced technologies, and constantly learn and strengthen our capacity to ensure that all activities are carried out in a professional, efficient, and absolutely safe manner.

We firmly believe that, with strong cooperation from the communities and stakeholders, the goal of making Quang Tri into a "Safe Province" by 2030-2035 is entirely achievable. All of the efforts are directed toward a sustainable future in which people can live and work on land free from the dangers of explosive ordnance.

*Kind regards,
QTMAC's Board of Directors*



VISION

QTMAC plays a coordinating role through the management and monitoring of mine action activities in Quang Tri province, aiming to build a safe Quang Tri, free from dangers of explosive ordnance by 2030-2035, creating a solid foundation for the socio-economic development of the locality, and becoming a leading model in addressing explosive remnants of war in Vietnam and the region.

MISSION

QTMAC is committed to effectively coordinating and managing humanitarian mine action and development activities in Quang Tri through:

➔ **Ensuring safety:**

Advise on, develop, and implement mine action standards and regulations in accordance with national and international standards.

➔ **Supporting sustainable development:**

Integrate mine clearance efforts with local socio-economic development plans.

➔ **Collaboration and sharing:**

Strengthen links with domestic and international partners, sharing experiences, and improving the capacity for handling and clearing explosive ordnances (EO).

➔ **Serving the community:**

Protect community safety, improve the quality of life, and create development opportunities for people in affected areas. Coordinate timely and effective support for activities related to EO victims, EO accident EO risk education, and ensure the integration and promotion of participation from all social groups, especially vulnerable groups, women, and children.

➔ **Innovation and Pioneering**

Apply advanced methods and technologies, Quang Tri will be developed into a model province for mine action.

CORE VALUES



01

Safety:

Put the community and personnel safety first by ensuring compliance with Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).

02

Collaboration:

Promote consensus and collaboration among operators, communities, donors, and local authorities.

03

Professionalism:

Strictly comply with SOP to uphold transparency, accountability, professionalism, and efficiency.

04

Sustainability:

Closely integrate mine action with the long-term and sustainable development of local communities.

HISTORY OF DEVELOPMENT



QTMAC

*Regional Mine Action
Capacity Development
Center*

QTMAC

*Upgrade to
Quang Tri Provincial
Mine Action Center*

LWCC

*Establishment of
the Legacy of War
Coordination Center*

DBU

*Establishment of
Mine Action
Database Unit*

2013

2015

2019

Beyond
2025

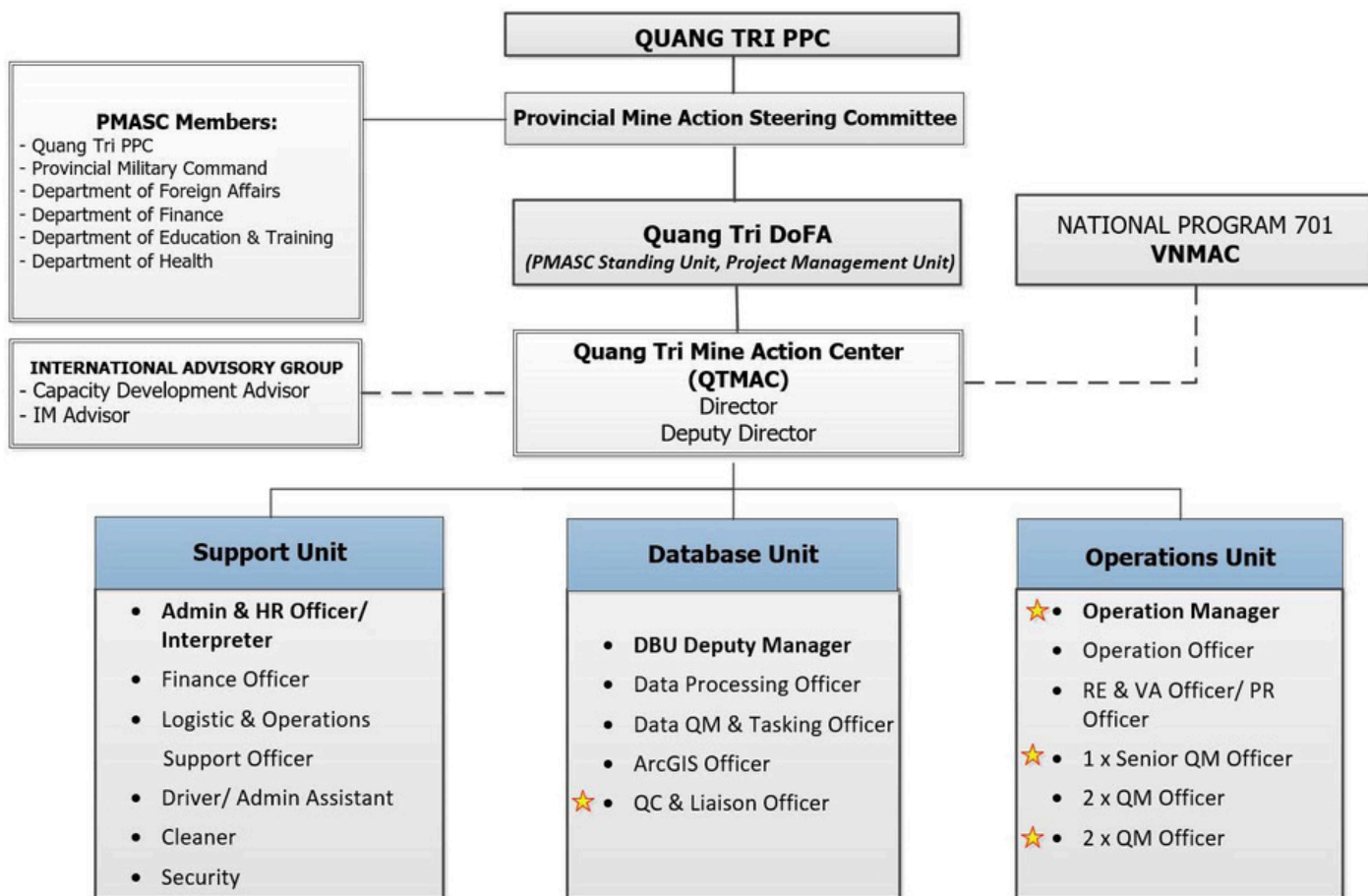


MANDATES AND FUNCTIONS

QTMAC is responsible for advising the Department of Foreign Affairs - the Standing agency of the Provincial Mine Action Steering Committee in coordinating and supervising mine action activities in Quang Tri province, aiming to become a "Safe Province".

In addition, QTMAC manages the mine action database and serves as the focal point for information on mine action activities, providing advice and information to individuals, operators, donors, departments, local authorities, and other relevant stakeholders upon request regarding mine action activities in Quang Tri.

QTMAC STRUCTURE



Note: Military Officers



COORDINATION OF FIELD OPERATIONS

Coordinate field operations, including Confirmed Hazardous Area (CHA) Clearance; Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) through hotline managed by QTMAC; Socio-Economic Development Plan Request Based (SEDP) clearance.



50 CHAs with high priority

were tasked for clearance, totaling 2,462 ha



01 SEDP requests

were received and tasked for clearance, totaling 13.5 ha



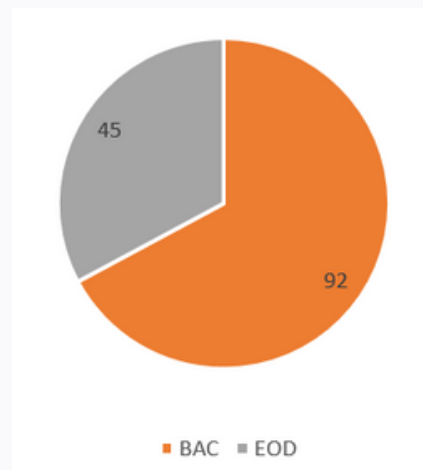
1,136 EOD tasks

were received and tasked for safe disposal within 24 - 48 hours



QUALITY MANAGEMENT OF FIELD OPERATIONS

In July 2022, QTMAC was approved by the People's Committee of Quang Tri province to deploy Quality Management procedure for field operations, including Non-Technical Survey, Technical Survey, BAC, and EOD. Currently, QTMAC is the only provincial-level unit in the country with external quality management in mine action, thereby supporting the monitoring of field operations of operators to improve the quality, transparency, and efficiency in mine action.



CHA TASK PRIORITIZATION

Since April 2020, QTMAC has developed and applied task prioritization process in Confirmed Hazardous Areas (CHAs) to assign operators clearance tasks, ensuring that resources are allocated efficiently and clearance plans are aligned with the local socio-economic development plans.

102
CHA priority
assessment tasks,
totaling 48,672 ha.



HANDOVER OF COMPLETED CLEARANCE SITES

01

SEDP clearance sites,
totaling 13.5 ha

99

CHA clearance sites,
totaling 5,632 ha



*Participating in handovers and issuing 100 certificates to localities and beneficiaries for cultivation, production, and construction of welfare facilities, totaling **5,646 ha**.*



HANDOVER OF CLEARED LAND AT QUANG TRI CITADEL

On April 24, 2025, QTMAC conducted a handover of cleared land at Quang Tri Citadel - a sacred historical site associated with the heroic struggle and great sacrifices of the nation during the 81-day-and-night battle of the fiery summer of 1972.

The ceremony was attended by representatives from the Quang Tri Department of Foreign Affairs (DoFA), Relics Management Center and Quang Tri Museum, the Management Board of the Quang Tri Citadel, MAG, and relevant staff and managers.

In response to a request from the Relics Management Center and Quang Tri Museum to ensure safety for conservation work and visitor services, QTMAC tasked MAG with conducting clearance from September 18, 2024, to April 17, 2025, completing over 13.5 ha of land and safely disposing of 325 items.

Mr. Ngo Quoc Phong, Deputy Director of the Relics Management Center and Quang Tri Museum, expressed his gratitude to QTMAC and MAG for their timely and safe implementation of the clearance work, which has helped lay the foundation for restoration work and welcoming visitors in the coming time.

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT FOR MINE ACTION

Manage, operate, and develop the provincial mine action database including building and updating procedures and reporting forms for collecting mine action data applied throughout the province; collect, process, update, store and integrate MA data sources in Quang Tri province; ensure all data reports are checked, approved, stored in an accurate, secure and safe way; integrate mine action data with relevant data sources to build a comprehensive geographical database of mine action activities in Quang Tri province; provide readily available data for mine action activities of organizations: planning, prioritizing, quality management, and coordinating mine action activities in Quang Tri.

Manage the information system infrastructure; develop and provide software tools, methods, and technical support for IM staff of organizations to effectively collect, check, report, and utilize mine action information and data.

Instruct and supervise the operators in reporting mine action data in accordance with IMSMA standard forms as the basis for consolidating the database and reporting to a national database at the Vietnam National Mine Action Center (VNMAC).

Strengthen the digital transformation in coordinating mine action activities by building and applying the Task Dossier Management System and IMSMA. Manage, update, and develop the content and functions of the QTMAC's website towards providing comprehensive, diverse, and effective information. Share mine action information with organizations and partners.

Organize basic and advanced training courses and technical workshops on information management and geographic information systems.



4,040

*Mine action reports were received and quality-checked, including clearance of **3,617 ha** in Confirmed Hazardous Areas (CHAs)*

12,085

Items were found and safely disposed of, including seven large bombs of 250 pounds or more

Quảng Trị

1,641

*EORE sessions with **26,060** individuals*

TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT

DATA & FIGURES

Continue developing the QTMAC website with a modern interface, enhancing sharing functions, providing timely information, and updating administrative data layers based on the approved Quang Tri province land use planning data to ensure accuracy for the activities of mine action operators.

Operate and develop functions on the Task Dossier Management System. All task dossiers are managed online. The new system will improve the efficiency of procedures and manage task dossiers transparently and quickly.



Pilot the Vietnam IMSMA CORE system. Database and the IMSMA CORE System are tested and evaluated prior to nationwide implementation.

TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT



**U.S. CHARGE,
DIVERSIONARY, MK 141
MOD 0**

Nhóm: Hand Grenade / Lựu
đạn cầm tay

Quốc gia sản xuất: United
States / Hoa Kỳ

Lượt xem: 379



**GERMAN GRENADE,
HAND, HEAT, MODEL AZ-
58-K-100**

Nhóm: Hand Grenade / Lựu
đạn cầm tay

Quốc gia sản xuất:
Germany / Đức

Lượt xem: 422

Upgrade the explosive remnants of war (ERW) search application which helps equip people with knowledge to identify ERW and hazards to stay away from; support ERW identification field team; and support decision-making activities at the management level.

Upgrade the application of Information Management for Quality Management (QM). The AGO application helps the operation manager and operations officer monitor QM activities, including dashboards that summarize output information, and web applications to approve reports.



Update the geographic database of current status and land use master plan of Quang Tri province in the period 2021 – 2030. A geographic database full of data layers on the current status and land use master plan of Quang Tri province in the period 2021 - 2030, which is a data source to effectively support organizations and projects in planning and managing activities related to land release.



VICTIM ASSISTANCE

Attending the Wrap-up Workshop of the Victim Assistance Project in the ASEAN member states in Cambodia



On July 24, 2025, QTMAC attended the Wrap-up Workshop of the “Enhance Victim Assistance Programme in the ASEAN Member States” (VA Project) organized by the ASEAN Regional Mine Action Center (ARMAC) in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

The event gathered representatives from ASEAN member states and international mine action organizations.

The VA Project was launched in 2021 by the ASEAN Regional Mine Action Center (ARMAC), with funding support from the ASEAN-Korea Cooperation Fund (AKCF). The program aimed to enhance the region's capacity to deliver integrated, inclusive, and sustainable victim assistance services to EO survivors and their families across five affected ASEAN Member States (AMS), including Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Supporting EO victims in Quang Tri province to attend the Conference on Resource Mobilization for Mine Action in Vietnam.



HỘI NGHỊ

**VẬN ĐỘNG TÀI TRỢ NGUỒN LỰC PHỤC VỤ CÔNG TÁC
KHẮC PHỤC HẬU QUẢ BOM Mìn SAU CHIẾN TRANH Ở VIỆT NAM**
CONFERENCE ON RESOURCE MOBILIZATION FOR MINE ACTION IN VIETNAM

Hà Nội, ngày 1 tháng 10 năm 2025



VERIFYING INFORMATION ON THE EXPLOSION IN LE XUYEN VILLAGE, NAM CUA VIET COMMUNE

On the afternoon of 31 October 2025, in Le Xuyen village (Nam Cua Viet commune, Quang Tri province), an explosion occurred in a rice field just five metres from a residential house, suspected to have been caused by explosive remnants of war.

Upon receiving the information, QTMAC sent staff from the Operations Unit to collect information and report to the Provincial Mine Action Steering Committee.

Fortunately, no one was injured. However, the incident is a reminder that explosive remnants of war remain a potential threat to local communities - 50 years after the war ended.



WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

3 workshops

Sharing experiences in field operations and information management.

2 conferences

Review of activities in 2025 and planning for 2026.



Thematic workshop on "Solutions to Enhance Planning Efficiency and Performance Monitoring in Mine Action"

On May 27, 2025, QTMAC organized a thematic workshop titled "Solutions to Enhance Planning Efficiency and Performance Monitoring in Mine Action". The workshop aimed to strengthen planning effectiveness by introducing a priority setting model for confirmed hazardous areas (CHAs). In addition, it highlighted the utilization of performance monitoring tools based on key performance indicators (KPIs), enabling coordination bodies, donors, and implementing partners to gain clearer, more transparent, and timely insights into operational progress, quality, and overall outcomes.





WORKSHOP ON

"Information sharing on the National Mine Action Standard (TCVN 10299:2025) and key differences between the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) of operators and the National Technical Regulation (QCVN 01:2022)"

On September 30, 2025, QTMAC organized a workshop on information sharing on the National Mine Action Standard (TCVN 10299:2025) and key differences between the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) of operators and the National Technical Regulation (QCVN 01:2022).

The event aimed to update and disseminate new legal and technical requirements while providing a forum for discussion and agreement on the application of these requirements in clearance and explosive ordnance disposal activities, especially in Quang Tri, which is the most heavily affected province by explosive remnants of war.

At the workshop, QTMAC analyzed and highlighted the differences between SOPs' operators and QCVN 01:2022, and recommended that all operators fully comply with QCVN to ensure consistency and uniformity in implementation.





WORKSHOP ON

“THE OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS”

From 10-11 December 2025, the Capacity Development Project of NPA, in collaboration with Quang Tri Mine Action Center (QTMAC), organized the Operational Effectiveness and Efficiency Workshop to analyze data related to the Cluster Munition Remnants Survey (CMRS) and clearance operations, thereby supporting strategic planning, priority setting, and improving the effectiveness of future implementation. It also provided an opportunity for organizations to share experiences, best practices, and discuss challenges encountered during implementation. The workshop was co-chaired by Mr. Bruce Atle Karlsen, Senior Technical Advisor of NPA at Vietnam National Mine Action Center (VNMAC), and Mr. Dinh Ngoc Vu, Deputy Director of QTMAC.

The workshop brought together the leader of Quang Tri Department of Foreign Affairs, representatives from Vietnam National Mine Action Center (VNMAC), the Database and Coordination Unit (DBCUC), as well as leaders, managers, and technical staff from international NGOs including MAG, PTVN, NPA, and UNDP.



Conference on “Review of field operations in 2025 and planning for 2026”

26/11/2025

The conference brought together representatives from the Provincial Mine Action Database and Coordination Unit (DBCU); mine action operators including MAG, NPA, and PTVN; as well as coordinators and military liaison observers from the operators.

The year 2025 posed numerous fluctuations and challenges for the operators. Nevertheless, the teams made strong efforts to overcome these obstacles and successfully met most of the planned targets, contributing to community safety and supporting local socio-economic development.

In his closing remarks, Mr. Dinh Ngoc Vu, on behalf of QTMAC, acknowledged the valuable feedback and committed to fully incorporating all inputs into the development of a more appropriate and effective plan for 2026. He also expressed his sincere appreciation to the operators for their effective coordination, professional working spirit, and significant contributions towards a safe Quang Tri free from explosive remnants of war.



Conference on “Review of EORE-VA activities in 2025 and planning for 2026”

02/12/2025

The conference was held to update the results of explosive ordnance risk education (EORE) and victim assistance (VA) activities in Quang Tri province in 2025, with the participation of mine action organizations, including CRS, MAG, PTVN, and Project RENEW.

EORE continues to play a crucial role in raising awareness, changing behavior, and ensuring the safety of people, especially in areas affected by explosive ordnance. Additionally, victim assistance has contributed to improving the livelihoods, living conditions, and social reintegration for those affected by EO.

Within the framework of the program, QTMAC also presented the results of piloting the prioritization tool for EORE, acknowledging the effective coordination of organizations in the development and testing of this tool, aiming for widespread application in the future.



COORDINATION MEETINGS, TECHNICAL MEETING

4

monthly, quarterly, and annual coordination meetings for field operations.

2

coordination meeting for EORE-VA activities

3

technical workshops



Capacity development training



Participating in the Information Management System for Mine Action (IMSMA) Core Administrator Course for South East Asia held by GICHD in Bangkok, Thailand from 02-06/6/2025.



Participating in training on Thinking methods and Problem-solving skills organized by the PACE institute in Ho Chi Minh City from 10-11/9/2025.



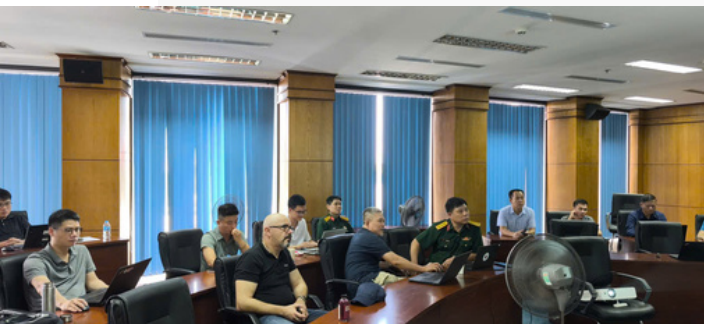
Participating in training on explosive ordnance disposal within the framework of the Pacific Friendship 2025 from 10-18/ 9/2025.

COOPERATION WITH VNMAC

To strengthen close cooperation between the central and local governments in the field of mine action in Quang Tri province, on August 31, 2021, Vietnam National Mine Action Center (VNMAC) and Quang Tri Department of Foreign Affairs signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on cooperation to promote mine action efforts in Quang Tri province and other provinces in the Central - Central Highlands.

Over the past year, QTMAC has continued to support VNMAC in conducting capacity development training courses on the conversion and application of new tools and software in the field of mine action information management; Actively participating in the development of the IMSMA CORE system, including the database, report forms, procedures, and dashboards, to prepare for the migration of all data from IMSMA NG to IMSMA CORE in 2026.

In addition, QTMAC also participated in the discussion session at the workshop on developing the National Strategy on Explosive Ordnance Risk Education until 2065 and beyond, organized by VNMAC.



ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE ON RESOURCE MOBILIZATION FOR MINE ACTION IN VIETNAM

On October 21, 2025, QTMAC attended the Conference on Mobilizing Resources for Mine Action in Vietnam, organized by the Standing Agency of the National Steering Committee on the Settlement of Post-War Unexploded Ordnance and Toxic Chemicals in Vietnam (Steering Committee 701).

The conference was chaired by Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Chien, Member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam, Deputy Minister of National Defense, and Head of the Standing Agency of the Steering Committee 701, with the participation of delegates from central and local departments, ministries, and agencies; military units, domestic businesses, embassies, international organizations; and experts and scientists.

The event served as a key platform to raise awareness and responsibility among government agencies while enhancing international cooperation and donor engagement, particularly from 13 countries that maintain comprehensive strategic partnerships with Vietnam.



TEAMBUILDING



Team-building activities were organised to enhance teamwork and staff cohesion, promote interaction, and contribute to a positive and productive working environment.



Activities photos

2025

28/03/2025

Refresher training on the Quality Management (QM) procedures of QTMAC and other mine action operators for QM staff.



04/4/2025

Conducting the coordination meeting for field operations.



22-24/4/2025

Participating in the Technical teamwork to develop the Vietnam IMSMA CORE system .



28-30/5/2025

Participating in the Vietnam IMSMA Core Pilot Implementation Workshop organized by VNMAC and NPA CD Project.



Activities photos

2025

12/6/2025

Conducting the coordination meeting for EORE-VA activities in quarter 2/2025.



10-13/6/2025

Participating in the ARMAC Regional Workshop on National Mine Action Standards development.



17/6/2025

Attending the webinar "AI initiative for Mine Action" hosted by UNDP in Vietnam.



24/7/2025

Attending the Project RENEW's music video premiere "Safe Steps, Safe Life" event.



Activities photos

2025

24/9/2025

Participating in a workshop on building the National Strategy on explosive ordnance risk education until 2065 and beyond.



03-10/10/2025

Participating in the IMSMA CORE Administrator course organised by VNMAC in collaboration with NPA and GICHD.



30/10/2025

Welcoming the delegation of Hiroshima - Vietnam Peace and Friendship Association.



17/12/2025

Participating in the conference on concluding Quang Tri Provincial Mine Action Steering Committee's 2025 Operational Plan, the 2021-2025 Mine Action Program, and on orientation for the 2026-2035 period.



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