

Decisions on the request submitted by Cyprus for an extension of the deadline for completing the destruction of anti-personnel mines in accordance with Article 5 of the Convention

1. The Meeting assessed the request submitted by Cyprus for an extension of its deadline for completing the destruction of anti-personnel mines in mined areas in accordance with Article 5.1, agreeing unanimously to grant the request for an extension until 1 July 2025.
2. In granting the request, the Meeting noted that - as in its request for extension of its 1 July 2022 deadline - Cyprus has expressed that the sole circumstance which impedes its ability to destroy all anti-personnel mines in mined areas that it has reported to be under its jurisdiction or control is that it does not have effective control over the remaining areas in question. The Meeting further noted the importance of Cyprus providing information on changes to the status of the control of mined areas as Cyprus has indicated that matters related to control affect the implementation of Article 5 during extension periods.