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Towards the Second Review Conference - The Cartagena Summit for a Mine-Free World: A Shared Commitment

Cartagena de Indias, Colombia
30 November – 4 December , 2009



1. Objectives Second Review Conference
2. Logistical Aspects
3. Cartagena de Indias, Host city
4. *“Road to Cartagena”*
5. Colombia and the Mine Ban Convention



1. Objectives Second Review Conference

- To evaluate the operation and status of the Convention's implementation
- To renew the commitment of the States Parties with comprehensive action against antipersonnel mines
- To send a clear political message about the importance of the Convention
- To highlight the universalisation of the Convention
- To prioritize the victims and survivors as a cornerstone of the SRC, emphasizing comprehensive action and ratification of rights.



1. Objectives Second Review Conference

- To assess implementation of obligations under the Convention
- To promote “national responsibility”
- To exchange national experiences and to strengthen International Cooperation
- To show the reality of the problem in countries where antipersonnel mines are still causing pain and suffering
- To strengthen the participation of civil society in the Conference, considering its important role in the Convention
- To achieve participation at the highest level of States Parties



2. Logistical Aspects

- 2.1 Work with Civil Society
- 2.2 Work with local authorities
- 2.3 Facilities
- 2.4 Visas
- 2.5 Other



2.1 Work with Civil Society

- Role in the Convention
- Dialogue and Communication
- Contribution to the SRC
- ICBL visit to Colombia



2.2 Work with local authorities

- The National Government has involved local authorities (Mayor's Office of Cartagena and the Governor's Office of Bolivar) in the organization of this important event
- The Police and the Army will guarantee the security of the SRC
- Cartagena will "live" and "be a part of" the SRC
- National events of promotion will be developed during the Road to Cartagena and SRC
- Activities 29 November, 2009



2.3 FACILITIES

- The Convention Center “Julio César Turbay Ayala” has been reserved
 - Capacity for 3200 people
 - 6 Halls for simultaneous events
 - Approximately 12 offices
 - Space for exhibitions
 - Delegates Hall
 - Others



2.3 FACILITIES

- A Host Hotel has been chosen (Hotel Santa Teresa) and alternating hotels.
- Historical and representative places of the city have been preselected for protocol events





2.4 VISAS

- Nationals of countries that do not require visa can enter with their passport
- Nationals of countries that require visa, a Courtesy Visa will be issued.
- The Courtesy Visa can be issued at any Colombian Consulate
- The Colombian Government will assure the entrance to the country of delegates and everyone duly registered to be part of the SRC



2.5 OTHERS

- Colombia will distribute a Delegates Manual with logistical information about the event
- An official Web page will be launched as well
- Colombia will schedule, within the framework of the SRC, a High Level Field Visit to share national experience in the implementation of the Convention



3. CARTAGENA

Access:

- Connections to Cartagena via Bogota from Paris, Madrid, NYC, Panama, Caracas, others
- Connections via Bogota: 318 weekly flights
- Connections via Barranquilla: 135 weekly flights



3. CARTAGENA

• Events Centers:

- 3 Convention centers for events with capacity for 3200, 2300 and 650 people



• Hotels:

- 3000 rooms available
- Near Convention Centre
- Great variety of rates





4. “THE ROAD TO CARTAGENA”

- World-wide launching event of the Second Review Conference: Geneva, New York and Bogota (March 2 2009)
- Invitations to participate at the highest political level in the SRC will be sent by the President of the Republic of Colombia, H.E. Álvaro Uribe Vélez
- Launch of logo
- A chronogram of the activities to the *Road to Cartagena*



5. COLOMBIA AND THE MINE BAN CONVENTION

On February 16th 2009, the National Council of Economic and Social Policy (CONPES), main instance of the Colombian Government for planning, approved the Document “Policy for Comprehensive Action against Antipersonnel Mines, Unexploded Explosive Ordnance and Improvised Explosive Devices”, as public policy.

Objectives:

- Effectively coordinate the action against mines at national, regional and local levels
- Strengthen the institutional capacity to contain the contamination of the territory
- Promote the capacity of the communities to manage properly the risk by antipersonnel mines
- To assure reparation, integral rehabilitation and socioeconomic inclusion of antipersonnel mine victims



CONCLUSIONS

- *Road to Cartagena*: It is a process that involves all the States Parties, International Organizations and Civil Society
- Colombia reiterates to all States Parties, the invitation to participate in the SRC at the highest political level
- We count on your support, ideas and suggestions to achieve a successful event.



Thank you