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10 Years in Force of the Mine Ban Treaty: ICBL Campaigners Celebrate in 65 Countries!

In February and March, campaigners from 65 countries and areas around the world are taking action to commemorate 10 years of the Mine Ban Treaty's entry into force and to push for its further universalization and implementation. At the same time striving to bring the new Convention on Cluster Munitions into force!

Under the slogan "A Mine-Free World: Mission Possible", campaigners from Afghanistan to Zambia are organizing roundtables, press briefings, street actions, photo exhibitions and art installations, film screenings, marches, rallies, workshops, petitions, TV and radio shows, and other events to draw the world's attention to the scourge of landmines and call for a mine-free world.

Additional photos of the events are available in the [Image Library](#).

Afghanistan

Afghanistan Landmine Survivors Association (ALSO)

In the last week of February ALSO is holding a workshop for civil society organizations and survivors, as well as with Mullahs to raise awareness about the mine and cluster munitions threat and to mobilize the society to urge the government to place it high on the agenda. ALSO is also holding a series of meetings with Members of Parliament, ministries, Mine Action Center, the Disability Coordination Group and other stakeholders to advocate for stepping up implementation efforts, in particular on victim assistance and land clearance, as well as to urge the government to swiftly ratify the Convention on Cluster Munitions. In addition ALSO members, including landmine and cluster munitions survivors are conducting media work around 1 March.

Algeria

Association of Solidarity for Handicapped and Mine Victims

On 1 March the Association is holding 10th anniversary celebrations with representatives of the Ministry of Solidarity, Family and Emigrants and local authorities of the state of El- Tarf, as well as civil society and survivors. The event features a debate on the situation and rights of the victims, as well as a photo exhibition.

Angola

Clube de Jovens

Between 25 March and 1 March in the Club is organizing a drawing contest in the schools of two provinces of Huila and Luanda to raise awareness about the threat of landmines and other explosive remnants of war. The Club is also holding a press conference to mark the 10 years of entry into force of the MBT, focused on the progress on implementation made so far in Angola and the remaining challenges. It is also sending letters to main stakeholders such as the CNIDAH to call for more efforts on mine action and victim assistance. At the provincial level the Club is organizing a workshop on the rights of people with disabilities, along with a photo exhibition.

Argentina

Asociación para Políticas Públicas (APP)

The Argentinean campaign is working together with Senator Cristina Perceval, Chair of the Defense Commission, to hold a session at the parliament on March 2nd (TBC) to reintroduce and hopefully approve the bill on MBT national legislation. The campaign is also planning to hold a debate on the Ottawa Process and the Mine Ban Treaty at the embassy of Canada on the 20 March (TBC). The speakers will include John Rodsted and Mette Eliseussen, senator Cristina Perceval and the Canadian embassy representative. Opening of John Rodsted's exhibition will follow the debate. The invitees will include governmental representatives, parliamentarians, journalists, and members of other organizations. In the first week of March the campaign is disseminating an informative brochure with the slogan "Un mundo sin minas: misión posible" to parliamentarians, representatives of ministries, Mine Action Center, civil society organizations, journalists, experts and academics.

Australia

Australian Network to Ban Landmines

The Australian campaign is advocating for the Australian government to commit with funding for mine action for 2011-2015, and writing letters to embassies of some states not parties.

Austria

Austrian Aid for Mine Victims

The Austrian campaign is holding a historic press release around the 10 years of entry into force of the Mine Ban Treaty.

Azerbaijan

Azerbaijan Campaign to Ban Landmines (AzCBL)



The AzCBL is holding in the week of 23 Feb-1 March a one-day workshop on the MBT and the CCM for the main national stakeholders, including ministries, ANAMA, international agencies and national NGOs. The aim is to encourage the government to take steps to join those conventions in the near future and to have a general discussion on mine action aspects: demining, landmine and cluster munitions victims and mine risk education in Azerbaijan, as well as on the situation worldwide in regard to the MBT and CCM. The AzCBL is also organizing a press conference on the MBT and CCM, presenting the national and international picture.

Bahrain

Amnesty International

The AI in Bahrain is doing media work around March 1st and following-up with the MPs to urge for accession to the MBT and CCM.

Bangladesh

Nonviolence International Bangladesh

The campaign is doing media work and writing advocacy letters to relevant ministries.

Belarus

Belarus Campaign to Ban Landmines (BCBL)

On 1 March the campaign is organizing a public concert in the center of Minsk, to mark the 10th anniversary of the MBT entry into force and the 5th anniversary of the treaty's entry into force for Belarus, and launch of the road to Cartagena. The performers are the most popular Belarus rock groups such as NEURODUBEL, ZIGZAG and others. There will be also video demonstrations and slide shows on landmines. The campaign is organizing extensive publicity and media outreach around this event via major TV and radio channels, printed media, and also through video displays in the Minsk subway.

On 3 – 4 March the Belarus Campaign is holding a roundtable with participation of representatives of the government, civil society and diplomatic community, including the EC delegation and the UNDP to discuss the ways forward and renew commitment of the Belarus decision makers to complete destruction of stockpile of the PFM mines, as soon as possible.

The Campaign has been also working with youth and schools in Minsk aimed at developing civil society initiatives on raising public awareness on MBT/CCM, including development of letter actions, flyers, leaflets, posters, action cards, articles for school and community newsletters, local and national media, taking online actions, organizing music concerts and arts exhibitions).

Belgium

Handicap International

At the occasion of the 10th anniversary of entry into force of the Mine Ban Treaty, on 26 February in Brussels the Handicap International is organizing a press briefing at the International Press Center in Brussels for international and Belgian media, to present an update on the global landmine situation, universalization and implementation of the Mine Ban Treaty, as well as on cluster munitions and the Convention on Cluster Munitions.

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Handicap International - BiH

On 23 February the HI BiH is holding a national round table, involving main mine action stakeholders as the State Demining Commission, representatives of ministries, the BiH Mine Action Center, Unicef, ICRC, and NGOs, including Landmine Survivors Network. The aim is to take stock of the MBT implementation in BiH up to date and to discuss the way forward to secure more progress on mine action, including land clearance and victim assistance, as well as to advocate for swift ratification of the CCM. On 26 February the campaign is holding a public debate on mine action in BiH on a nationwide TV station, involving main mine action stakeholders, with the aim to put mine action in BiH on the spot and renew the decision-makers' commitment to the MBT and CCM resulting in more progress on the ground.

Brazil

Brazil Campaign Against Landmines

The Brazilian campaign is doing media work around March 1st focused on outstanding Mine Ban Treaty implementation issues in Brazil and on urging Brazil to sign the Convention on Cluster Munitions asap. Campaigners from Brazil are also taking part in the regional workshop on MBT taking place this week in Nicaragua.

Cambodia

Jesuit Refugee Service / Cambodian Campaign to Ban Landmines

In the last week of February the Cambodian campaign with other NGOs is holding a series of public meetings and events across Cambodia, including: a big workshop for some 500 survivors in Siem Reap and people with disabilities to test strengths and gaps in the Cambodian disability program; major meeting in Banteay on 24 February - the Cambodia's Mine Action Day, with involvement of the CMAA to advocate for good extension request for the mine clearance deadline and for quick signature of the CCM; press release and media throughout the week, including radio talks.

Canada

Mines Action Canada



Clearing the Path – Removing Lethal Barriers, with the focus on recognizing Canadian leadership in clearing the path of victim-activated weapons, and taking stock of the legal, political, and financial barriers that continue to prevent the realization of goals set out in the Ottawa Treaty and Convention on Cluster Munitions. In Ottawa, on March 1st, MAC is organizing a rally and candlelight vigil on Parliament Hill with an interactive balloon exhibit depicting progress and the remaining barriers facing us in the full realization of Ottawa Mine Ban Treaty. Also, on March 1st, candlelight vigils are being held outside the US consulates in Toronto, Vancouver and Montreal. Nationally, MAC will be launching a **“BOMBS AWAY”** button campaign and viral activism initiatives including a “donate your email signature to MAC” drive and an e-letter writing campaign directed at Canadian decision makers. This is accompanied by a series of educational and fundraising events across the country including art exhibitions, panels, public stunts, concerts and much more.

The main advocacy messages in Canada are:

- Sustain the efforts financially and politically - in mine action around the world. Let's finish the job!
- Be among the first 30 countries to ratify the Convention on Cluster Munitions so that it can enter into force as soon as possible!
- Sustain the International Internship for Young Canadians to enable young people to experience life and work in mine-affected countries and contribute to efforts towards a mine-free world.

Colombia

Colombian Campaign to Ban Landmines (CCCM)

On 2 March, the Colombian Campaign, together with other organizations including CIREC, HI, and Mercy Corps, is holding an ecumenical ceremony with the Episcopal Conference and religious leaders, as well as the representatives of the government and civil society, including the ICBL Executive Director, in Bogotá. This is followed by CIREC's presentation on their VA project “Seeds of Hope”, and then a meeting of civil society organizations in Bogotá with the ICBL representatives.



In addition the CCCM regional branches are holding symbolic events and workshops in the provinces of Tolima and Santander.

The ICBL Executive Director will also be participating in a press conference called by the Colombian government and focusing on the upcoming *Cartagena Summit for a Mine-Free World*.

Congo, Democratic Republic

Campagne Congolaise pour Interdire les Mines (CCIM)

In the last week of February the Congolese Campaign is holding a series of events to specifically advocate for adoption of the national legislation for MBT implementation and for quick signature of the CCM. On 23 February the campaign has a high-level meeting at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and on 27 February is holding a commemoration event of 10 years in force of the MBT together with the government representatives, MPs, and international agencies and is launching a petition for signature and ratification of the CCM. Throughout the week the CCIM is carrying out media, including live broadcasts on the radio and TV.

Croatia

Mine Aid

The Croatian campaigners are sending March 1st letter to authorities calling for more progress on victim assistance.

Egypt

Protection

On the occasion of 1 March Protection is doing a press release aimed at national media in Egypt and a regional one aimed at all media agencies of all the MENA countries.

Ethiopia

Landmine Survivors Network

The LSN together with RaDo is holding an event in Addis Ababa on 27 February to take stock of the MBT implementation work in Ethiopia done so far with special focus on the remaining challenges: stockpile destruction, land clearance and victim assistance, as well as on the CCM. The event involves national authorities including the Ethiopian Mine Action Office, international agencies, civil society and survivors, as well as media. The event will also feature a musical performance and photo exhibition by the survivors.

France

Handicap International (HI)

Around March 1st the HI is sending its monthly newsletter focused on the MBT entry into force anniversary, to 250 000 donors in France, as well as highlighting the anniversary on the HI website. In addition the HI is focusing on the USA and sending a letter to some 300 000 HI donors asking to sign a petition calling on President Obama to ban cluster munitions and antipersonnel mines.

Georgia

Georgian Committee to Ban Landmines



The Georgian campaign is organizing a tree-planting event in an area affected during the last conflict with Russia, in which cluster munitions and other weapons were used (and have been already cleared). This public event is aimed at urging Georgia to join the Mine Ban Treaty and the Convention on Cluster Munitions, and will involve government representatives, journalists, international organizations, refugees and the victims of the conflict. The campaign is mobilizing nation-wide media around their action, as well as trying to involve directly Georgia's First Lady.

Germany

Action Group Landmine.de

The German campaign is launching a nationwide advertising campaign on landmines and cluster munitions, together with a well-known German advertising agency Jung von Matt. Under the slogan: "Don't let a small group make all the difference" there is an e-mail action to push for further universalization of the Mine Ban Treaty and the Convention on Cluster Munitions, and to put pressure on the German government to more actively promote these aims.



On 1 March the German campaign is also holding a press conference and opening ceremony for a photo exhibition "Explosive remnants of war" presenting the achievements of the MBT and CCM, at the prestigious Anti-War Museum (Antikriegsmuseum) in Berlin, with the presence of politicians, celebrities, public, and media. *Websites www.landmine.de and www.streubombe.de*

Handicap International Germany

On the occasion of March 1st the HI is taking part in and promoting the actions alerts on the target countries and doing media work.

Greece

Greek Campaign to Ban Landmines



On 1 March the Greek campaign is organizing in Alexandroupoulos, near the Greek-Turkish border, a public art installation called «... the journey...» by Keti Haliori, symbolizing the dramatic endings of the torturous journeys of the refugees and immigrants who drown in the sea or are killed or amputated by antipersonnel landmines. This event is aimed at raising public awareness about the scourge of landmines and other explosive remnants of war and to urge Greek authorities to step up efforts on the MBT implementation, in particular on stockpile destruction, clearance and victim assistance. This is a public event involving the government authorities from Athens, international organizations, civil society, artistic circles and the media.

Guatemala

International Commission on Human Rights

The campaign in Guatemala is doing media work around March 1st and holding meetings at the ministries and parliament to advocate for more progress on victims assistance in Guatemala and for rapid ratification of the CCM. There are also advocacy actions undertaken to urge Cuba and US to join the Mine Ban Treaty.

India

Indian Campaign to Ban Landmines



On 27 February in Sri Ganga Nagar, Rajasthan, an affected province, the Indian campaign is organizing a public-awareness event with hundred landmine survivors marching to the city's prominent road culminating into public rally. The survivors are handing over petition to the MPs and other government officials calling for banning landmines and cluster munitions and joining the two conventions. On 28 March the campaign is also conducting awareness and mine risk education sessions in 2 schools in the province. The representatives of the ICRC and the High Commissioner of Canada are planning to take part in these events.

Control Arms Foundation of India

The CAFI is doing media work in New Delhi around March 1st focused both on the MBT and CCM.

Indonesia

Jesuit Refugee Service

The JRS is doing media work in the week leading up to March 1st focusing both on the MBT and the CCM with the aim to encourage Indonesia to be actively promoting the CCM in the region.

Iraq



Iraqi Handicapped & Survivors Society

On 1 March the Iraqi campaign is holding a national conference in the center of Baghdad focused on implementation of the MBT, in particular on mine clearance and victim assistance. The conference is accompanied by a side event – opening ceremony of the exhibition of survivors' paintings. These events will involve representatives of the ministries, parliament, MAC, UN, civil society, VIPs, and media.

Italy

Italian Campaign to Ban Landmines

On 1 March the Italian campaign is setting-up a stall in the vicinity of St Peter's square to distribute information materials and working on the MBT' anniversary being mentioned by the Pope during the "angelus."

On 3 March the Campaign is taking part in a hearing at the Human Rights Commission at the Senate, to advocate for approval of a resolution asking for the fund for humanitarian demining to be re-established (after it was cancelled in the 2009 Budget law) in light of the 10th anniversary, upcoming 2nd Review Conference and recent re-commitment to humanitarian issues through signature of the CCM.

Japan

Japanese Campaign to Ban Landmines



The Japanese campaign is holding a public speech at the Tokyo-Do book shop on 25 March on "The logic of Peace and the illogic of bombs - 10th Anniversary of the Ottawa Treaty" by Mrs. Motoko Mekata and Mr. Makoto Sataka, a famous writer and commentator.

On 6 March the campaign is organizing a candlelight vigil for the 10th anniversary of MBT in Nagano, where the winter Olympic games were held in 1998. The event will also feature presentations on the MBT and CCM at one of the temples. The media work is being carried out both in Tokyo and Nagano around the anniversary.

Kenya

Handicap International

On 24 February HI Kenya is launching the ICBL photo exhibition presenting achievements and crucial moments for the Mine Ban Treaty and movement, at the French Cultural Center in Nairobi. The opening ceremony with the VIPs is also accompanied by a luncheon for the media, senior government officials, parliamentarians, UN and the diplomatic corps, to further promote the MBT in Africa and to advocate for Kenya's ratification of the CCM.

Kosovo



The Focus

In the month of February the Focus is doing an awareness campaign among the youth in the schools of the five main cities in Kosovo. On March 1st the Focus is conducting media outreach and street banner action in Pristina.

Kuwait

Landmine Monitor Researcher

Is visiting the embassy of Bahrain in Kuwait to urge it to accede to the Treaty.

Lebanon

Landmines Resource Center

Around March 1st the campaigners are conducting media outreach and letter action aimed at the national authorities to urge for Lebanon's accession to the MBT and for quick ratification of the CCM.

Mali

Réseau des Journalistes pour la Sécurité et le Développement en Afrique de l'Ouest (RJSDAO)

The Mali campaign is holding a press conference on 25 February, followed by a public debate on the MBT and CCM, with speakers from the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Defense, MPs, and National Security Commission, as well as representatives from the civil society, diplomatic corps, and the media. On 27 February the RJSDAO is holding a meeting with the MPs to advocate for quick ratification of the CCM. On 1 March the campaign is having radio and TV talks covering these issues.

Mongolia

Women for Social Progress (WSP)

In the month of February the campaign is carrying out public collection of signatures among VIPs and celebrities for a petition urging the government to join the MBT by the 2nd Review Conference. On 2 March the WSP is doing a hand-over of the petition with all the signatures to the Parliament of Mongolia, and holding a press briefing on the MBT. In the week of 2-6 March the WSP is organizing a TV debate on the issue with the members of the parliament, community leaders and the civil society.

Nepal

Nepal Campaign to Ban Landmines

In February the campaign is publishing a campaigning tool for the youth, which will be launched and distributed during the last week of February at a public bicycle rally in Katmandu. On 1 March the campaign is organizing a reception on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the MBT with the presence of the national authorities, diplomatic corps, UN organizations, and civil society to once again urge Nepal to join the MBT and sign the CCM.

Nicaragua

Nicaraguan Campaign - Yassir Chavarría



The Nicaraguan campaign is organizing a series of public and advocacy events around the regional workshop on the MBT held in Managua on 24-26 February to raise public awareness about the landmine situation in Nicaragua and the American continent 10 years since the treaty's entry into force and ahead of its 2nd review conference and to engage with the local authorities on Nicaragua's pending MBT obligations (completion of clearance and VA) and on ratification of the CCM. These include a press conference on 23 February with the presence of the ICBL Executive Director and a briefing on the MBT and CCM for students at the American University in Managua. To contribute to universalization of the MBT in the region, the national campaign with the support of campaigners from the region on 25 February is will holding meetings at the US and Cuban embassies in Managua. A meeting with MPs in regard to ratification of the CCM still to be confirmed.

The programme and the statements delivered at the workshop are available on the [official webpage of the Managua Workshop for Achieving a Mine-Free Americas](#) .

Nigeria

IANSAs Women Network

The Nigerian campaign is focusing its work on private meetings with the authorities and a national roundtable to advocate for quick signature of the CCM and for better compliance with the reporting obligations under the MBT. On 26 February the campaign is holding a press briefing focused both on the MBT and CCM with the aim to advocate for Nigeria's signature in March.

Pakistan

Sustainable Peace and Development Organization (SPADO)

In the week of 23 February to March 01 SPADO is organizing a series of activities to raise public awareness on the landmine and cluster munitions issues. These activities include: a letters campaign and meetings with government officials; posters competitions in the department of fine arts with an opening ceremony for the exhibition; public screenings of films on landmines and cluster munitions; press briefing and media work both on the MBT and CCM.

Philippines



Philippine Campaign to Ban Landmines

On 25 March the Philippine campaign is holding a briefing on the landmines issue and on the MBT at the Legislative Committee at the Parliament with the aim to have the national legislation on the MBT passed by the 2nd Review Conference.

Poland

Polish Red Cross



The PRC is connecting the March 1st anniversary to the International Women's Day and organizing the main media and public action on 8 March featuring a historic tram circulating in the center of Warsaw with the «Miss Landmine» exhibition. In some 20 trams and at tram stops volunteers are distributing leaflets about landmines and cluster munitions promoting an on-line petition for mines and cluster munitions ban in Poland.

Senegal

Campagne Sénégalaise Contre Les Mines

On 28 March the Senegalese campaign is organizing a public march of survivors and civil society in the streets of Casamance, which is still a heavily affected area. The march is being followed by a press conference. The campaign is calling on the government to step up MBT

implementation efforts in particular on victim assistance and land clearance, and to ratify the CCM.



Sierra Leone

Sierra Leone Action Network on Small Arms

In the week of 23 February the campaign is holding a series of meetings with MFA, MOD, Office of National Security (in the presidency) and the Interim Commission on Small Arms to advocate for rapid domestication of the MBT and the CCM. A national roundtable on these issues is being planned. On 27 February the campaign is releasing press news and continuing with media work in the week of 2 March.

Somalia

Somali Coalition to Ban Landmines (SOCBAL)

The Somali campaign is doing media work and letter actions around March 1st to urge the government to take steps to join the MBT and the CCM.

South Africa

Institute for Security Studies (ISS)

On 2 March in Pretoria the ISS is holding a seminar: *Celebrating a Decade of the Anti-Personnel Mines Ban Convention. Successes and Future Challenges* aimed to review and assess the impact the treaty has made over the past ten years and discuss future challenges in Africa in particular. The speakers include: Rob Wensley, Deputy Director: Conventional Arms Department of Foreign Affairs South Africa, Christopher Black, Regional Legal Advisor: International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) South Africa and representative of the Mines Advisory Group (MAG).

The invitees include missions of African states among others. The ISS is also conducting media work around the anniversary.

Spain

Moviment per la Pau



In the week of 23 February – 1 March Moviment per la Pau from Barcelona is organizing a public street action that uses flags with short slogans and sticks them in the pets' waste in the streets and parks to get people's and media attention. The campaign is putting on the flags mine-related slogan such as "if this was a landmine you would be dead or maimed" or "this could be a landmine, not a poo", "you are lucky this is not a landmine", "demining is a shitty job." The action is aimed at media and public to sustain Spain's support for mine action and to urge for quick ratification of the CCM.

Sri Lanka

Sarvodayam

On the occasion of March 1st Sarvodayam is organizing awareness rally and doing media work in the eastern part of Sri Lanka, Batticaloa, to bring the landmine issue to the attention of the civil society, government officials, and politicians.

Sudan

Sudan Association for Combating Landmines (JASMAR)



On 1 March the Sudanese campaign is organizing an open public day to commemorate the 10 years of the MBT in the force. This event is featuring a press conference, photo exhibit and local band performance. Relevant national authorities, diplomatic missions, UN agencies, International and national NGOs, ICRC, survivors, media have been invited to take part. The campaign is calling on the government to sign the CCM and fulfill its obligations under the MBT and the CCM.

Sweden

Swedish Peace and Arbitration Society

The Swedish campaign is doing media around March 1st and letters sending action to the embassies of some states not parties.

Switzerland



Handicap International

On 2 March on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the entry into force of the Mine Ban Treaty, Handicap International is organizing a ceremony to launch the road to Cartagena, to the 2nd Review Conference, at the Place des Nations, next to the Broken Chair sculpture. The event is a joint initiative of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs of Colombia, Norway and Switzerland.

Syria

Arab Net for Research on Landmines and ERW

The Syrian campaign is doing a press release and media work on 1 March to call on the states in the region to join the MBT and CCM. An NGO meeting in Damascus Cultural Center on these issues is also being planned around that date.

Tajikistan

Harmony of the World / Tajik CBL



The Tajik campaign is focusing its activities to advance implementation work on the MBT, in particular on land clearance and victim assistance and to urge Tajikistan to sign the CCM asap. To discuss these issues the campaign is holding a roundtable in Dushanbe on 27 February and doing media work around March 1st, which includes TV Program on “Sarbaz i Vatan” talk-show on the landmines/cluster bombs’ situation worldwide and in particular in Tajikistan; interviews with key government officials and survivors and clips broadcasting from landmines/cluster bombs affected regions have been also planned.

Thailand

Nonviolence International Southeast Asia

The NVI is raising public awareness and promoting the MBT and the CCM at the annual ASEAN People’s Forum taking place in Bangkok on 20-22 February and at the ASEAN Summit on 27 February – 1 March.

Handicap International – Thailand

The campaigners are holding meetings with the Deputy Director General of International Organizations Department, MFA and the Thailand Mine Action Center Director on the 25th February to discuss the work ahead and encourage further commitment and efforts towards a mine-free Thailand. Press release and media work around March 1st and ahead of the regional workshop on the MBT to take place in Bangkok at the beginning of April, is also conducted.

Turkey

Initiative for a Mine-Free Turkey



The Turkish campaign is holding a series of advocacy meetings and public & media events in the week of 23 February – 1 March both in Ankara and Istanbul. These include: meeting with MPs; a mine clearance performance taking place in the central Taksim Square in Istanbul on March 1; a basketball match of people with disabilities organized by the Turkey Handicapped Foundation, with the players wearing t-shirts saying “Clean the Mines” and “Ban the Cluster Munitions, Sign The Convention”; a film screening and photo exhibition in Istanbul, and nationwide media work focused both on the MBT and on the CCM.

Uganda

Uganda Landmine Survivors Association

ULSA is doing media and public awareness work on the MBT and CCM, including TV and radio programs broadcasted on March 1. In the week leading up to the anniversary the campaign is also putting up a big banner in the center of Kampala, and setting up meetings with embassies of some states not parties to the MBT.

Ukraine

Landmine Monitor Researcher

Is doing media work around March 1st to push for the implementation of the treaty in Ukraine.

United Kingdom

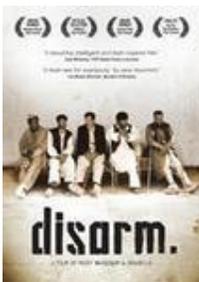
Landmine Action

Around March 1st the UK campaign is doing letters action on the target states not party.

United States

US Campaign to Ban Landmines

The US campaign is focusing its efforts to call for revision of the US policy both on landmines and cluster munitions, by doing media work, including Op-Eds by some generals, admirals, and lieutenant generals and other prominent Americans, as well as editorial advisory; holding public events, including an action alert for a call-in day to the White House asking for a review of the Mine Ban Treaty on Monday March 2; a letter by Senator Leahy to President Obama; a letter sent to President Obama from 65 heads of national organizations calling for balanced policy review.



IndiePix & ICBL

Disarm and the ICBL are holding an event to commemorate the Mine Ban Treaty's tenth anniversary and its Second Review Conference, and to launch the DVD of *Disarm*, an award-winning documentary film on landmines. The speakers include: the Colombian and Norwegian ambassadors to the United Nations in New York, Nobel Peace laureate Ms. Jody Williams, and Human Rights Watch arms director Mr. Steve Goose.

Proud Students Against Landmines/Cluster Bombs (PSALM), West Virginia Campaign to Ban Landmines/Cluster Bombs



PSALM and the West Virginia Campaign are holding a month of activities and events to raise awareness about the 10th anniversary of the Mine Ban Treaty's entry into force and the need to ban cluster munitions. Students wrote letters to President Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. Events include awareness days at their school, an article in the city newspaper, presentations to community groups and a Legislative Day at the State Capital.

Uruguay

ALUDEC

The campaign is doing media work around March 1st focused both on the MBT and CCM and sending advocacy letters.

Vietnam

Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund

Around March 1st the VVMF is doing media work.

Western Sahara

Saharawi Campaign to Ban Landmines

In Saharawi refugees camp on March 3 the Saharawi campaign is organizing a conference to commemorate the 10 years of the MBT's entry into force, focused both on landmines and cluster munitions. The participants include representatives of the Saharawi government, international organizations as UNICEF, UNDP, ICRC, AFAD and local NGOs.

Yemen

Yemen Mine Awareness Association (YMAA)

On 1 March the Yemeni campaign is holding a national roundtable in Aden with the participation of the governor resident consulates (Egypt, Oman, Somalia, Libya and Saudi Arabia), MAC, local council, civil society organizations, and media to discuss progress and challenges on the MBT implementation in Yemen and globally, and to encourage Yemen to join the CCM. The meeting will be accompanied by opening of a joint photo exhibition of the Mine Action Center and YMAA. In addition the Aden Physically Disabled Society and Association for Mine Survivors are holding a march of mine survivors and people with disabilities. Throughout the week the

Yemeni campaign is doing nation-wide media work and visiting the embassies of some of the states not parties.

Zambia

Zambian Campaign to Ban Landmines

On 24 February the Zambian campaign is holding a program on the MBT, focused on Zambia's role and on the work remaining in Africa. On 28 February the campaign is organizing a seminar with ZMAC, NCAL, SADC missions on the 2nd Review Conference of the MBT and on the CCM and Africa's contribution to its rapid entry into force.