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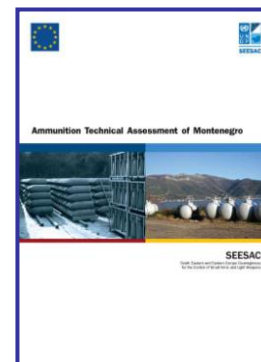
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AMMUNITION TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT OF MONTENEGRO AND DISPOSAL OF HEAVY WEAPON SYSTEMS

SEESAC FUNCTIONAL AREA	FA 6 - SALW Destruction Programmes FA 7 - SALW Stockpile Management Issues
SEESAC OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY	OA 3 - Information Management and Exchange Activities OA 4 - Project Support OA 6 - Technical Support and Assistance

The Government of Montenegro has demonstrated a firm commitment to resolve their conventional ammunition problems, but lack the resources to do so. Therefore they requested assistance from UNDP Podgorica for an assessment of the ammunition stockpile management and demilitarization situation within Montenegro. As a result of this request, SEESAC undertook an Ammunition Technical Assessment (ATA), (in partnership with an independent consultant), of Montenegro during January and February 2007, and the results will be briefed to interested stakeholders at the EUCOM South East European Clearinghouse Working Group meeting in Podgorica on 14 March 2007. The Government of Montenegro will then determine 'next steps'.



The following matrix summarises the findings of the ATA:

GENERIC AREA	SUMMARY OF SITUATION	REMARKS
Demilitarization of SALW (Conventional Ammunition)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9,900 tonnes are available for demilitarization. 	
Disposal of Hazardous and Toxic Chemicals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 88 Tonnes of Melange Oxidiser 41 Tones of TG-02 (Tonka) Fuel 	The Melange is stored right next to Kotor Bay and presents a significant environmental hazard.
Disposal of Napalm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 25.8 Tonnes of Napalm 	This is stored within the boundaries of Podgorica International Airport.
SALW (CA) Stockpile Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The requirement to consolidate future ammunition storage areas from 10 sub-standard facilities to 3 of NATO Standard. 	This will require infrastructure improvements at the remaining three storage areas.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The requirement for the development of an effective ammunition management system, (including physical inspection and chemical analysis capabilities). 	Accounting procedures are good, but security and ammunition surveillance require improvement.

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Logistic Transport Lift Capacity	The Montenegro Armed Forces do not possess the logistic transport lift capacity to move the ammunition to demilitarization facilities or for storage re-location. Commercial transport to EU ADR standards is available, but it would be much more cost effective to improve the MAF capacity by the procurement of 6 x 8 Tonne Trucks.	
Disposal of Heavy Weapon Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 61 x Main Battle Tanks (MBT) ▪ 7 x Armoured Combat Vehicles (ACV) ▪ 84 x Artillery Guns 	These can be disposed of by recycling in-country at virtually no cost.

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