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# DDASaccident433

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# DDAS Accident Report 433

## Accident details

<b>Report date:</b>	<b>Accident number:</b> 433
<b>Accident time:</b> 09:22	<b>Accident Date:</b> 21/05/2000
<b>Where it occurred:</b> MF#1252, Cerovac Vukmanicki, Karlovac	<b>Country:</b> Croatia
<b>Primary cause:</b> Other	<b>Secondary cause:</b> Other
<b>Class:</b> Other	<b>Date of main report:</b> Not recorded
<b>ID original source:</b> None	<b>Name of source:</b> MAC Croatia
<b>Organisation:</b> Not recorded	
<b>Mine/device:</b> PROM-1	<b>Ground condition:</b> Not recorded
<b>Date record created:</b>	<b>Date last modified:</b>
<b>No of victims:</b> 3	<b>No of documents:</b>

## Map details

<b>Longitude:</b>	<b>Latitude:</b>
<b>Alt. coord. system:</b> MF#1252	<b>Coordinates fixed by:</b>
<b>Map east:</b>	<b>Map north:</b>
<b>Map scale:</b>	<b>Map series:</b>
<b>Map edition:</b>	<b>Map sheet:</b>
<b>Map name:</b>	

## Accident Notes

Inadequate investigation (?)  
Safety distances ignored (?)

## Accident report

In Croatia, demining accidents are investigated by the police and the reports are not made available to the public. In response to a request, the country MAC made available a spreadsheet record of accidents in November 2006. The spreadsheet data is so summarised that it is not possible to tell much about the circumstances surrounding the accident, but some detail may still be of use. For example, the device involved in the accident is identified, and some of the injuries recorded.

In this case the victims were working as “deminers” at a site defined as “N298 - Demining; between road D-1 & r.b. of Korana riv. K: 0 I: 3” when they “Stepped on a mine PROM, MF#1252”. One suffered “heavy body injuries”, the other two suffered “Light body injuries”. One of those who suffered what are classed as “light injuries suffered: “hand and both legs fracture, half foot cut off, uric bladder and intestine injury” from which one can infer what “light” means.

If possible, this record will be extended with further detail at a later date.

### Victim Report

<b>Victim number:</b> 577	<b>Name:</b> [Name removed]
<b>Age:</b> 27	<b>Gender:</b> Male
<b>Status:</b> Deminer	
<b>Compensation:</b> Not recorded	<b>Time to hospital:</b> Not recorded
<b>Protection issued:</b> Not recorded	<b>Protection used:</b> Not recorded

#### Summary of injuries:

“Light body injuries”, classed as severe because “light” is also used for the third victim. No medical report was made available.

### Victim Report

<b>Victim number:</b> 578	<b>Name:</b> [Name removed]
<b>Age:</b> 41	<b>Gender:</b> Male
<b>Status:</b> Deminer	
<b>Compensation:</b> Not recorded	<b>Time to hospital:</b> Not recorded
<b>Protection issued:</b> Not recorded	<b>Protection used:</b> Not recorded

#### Summary of injuries:

Severe body injuries. No medical report was made available.

### Victim Report

<b>Victim number:</b> 579	<b>Name:</b> [Name removed]
<b>Age:</b> 27	<b>Gender:</b> Male
<b>Status:</b> Deminer	
<b>Compensation:</b> Not recorded	<b>Time to hospital:</b> Not recorded
<b>Protection issued:</b> Not recorded	<b>Protection used:</b> Not recorded

**Summary of injuries:**

Severe legs, amp foot, severe hand, severe body

No medical report was made available. "hand and both legs fracture, half foot cut off, uric bladder and intestine injury".

**Analysis**

Without more detail it is not possible to assign a Classification or a Cause to this accident. Because three people were injured by a single mine, it seems likely that some errors were made.