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DDAS Accident Report 433

Accident details

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

Map details

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

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

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

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

Summary of injuries:

Severe body injuries. No medical report was made available.

Victim Report

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