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DDAS Accident Report

Accident details

Report date: 16/03/2007	Accident number: 435
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: CROMAC
Organisation: Not recorded	
Mine/device: PROM-1 AP Bfrag	Ground condition: route (verge)
Date record created: 16/03/2007	Date last modified: 16/03/2007
No of victims: 3	No of documents: 1

Map details

Longitude:	Latitude:
Alt. coord. system: Not recorded	Coordinates fixed by:
Map east:	Map north:
Map scale:	Map series:
Map edition:	Map sheet:
Map name:	

Accident Notes

inadequate investigation (?)

no independent investigation available (?)

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 in this context.

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

Victim Report

Victim number: 580	Name: [Name removed]
Age: 27	Gender: Male
Status: deminer	Fit for work: not known
Compensation: Not made available	Time to hospital: Not recorded
Protection issued: Not recorded	Protection used: Not recorded

Summary of injuries:

INJURIES: severe Body

COMMENT: "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: 581	Name: [Name removed]
Age: 41	Gender: Male
Status: deminer	Fit for work: not known
Compensation: Not made available	Time to hospital: Not recorded
Protection issued: Not recorded	Protection used: Not recorded

Summary of injuries:

INJURIES: severe Body

COMMENT: "Severe body injuries". No medical report was made available.

Victim Report

Victim number: 582	Name: [Name removed]
Age: 27	Gender: Male
Status: deminer	Fit for work: not known
Compensation: Not made available	Time to hospital: Not recorded
Protection issued: Not recorded	Protection used: Not recorded

Summary of injuries:

INJURIES: severe Abdome; severe Body; severe Hand; severe Legs

AMPUTATION/LOSS: Part foot, Toes (?)

COMMENT: 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.