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# DDAS Accident Report

## Accident details

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| <b>Report date:</b> 09/01/2008               | <b>Accident number:</b> 461                               |
| <b>Accident time:</b> Not made available     | <b>Accident Date:</b> 22/01/2002                          |
| <b>Where it occurred:</b> Not made available | <b>Country:</b> Cambodia                                  |
| <b>Primary cause:</b> Unavoidable (?)        | <b>Secondary cause:</b> Management/control inadequacy (?) |
| <b>Class:</b> Victim inattention             | <b>Date of main report:</b> Not made available            |
| <b>ID original source:</b> [Name removed]    | <b>Name of source:</b> [Name removed]                     |
| <b>Organisation:</b> [Name removed]          |   |
| <b>Mine/device:</b> PMN AP blast             | <b>Ground condition:</b> not recorded                     |
| <b>Date record created:</b> 07/01/2008       | <b>Date last modified:</b> 09/01/2008                     |
| <b>No of victims:</b> 1                      | <b>No of documents:</b> 1                                 |

## Map details

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| <b>Longitude:</b>                             | <b>Latitude:</b>             |
| <b>Alt. coord. system:</b> Not made available | <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 (?)  
incomplete detonation (?)

## Accident report

Details of this accident have been withheld by the demining NGO that employed the Victim. A spreadsheet including the Victim's name and very brief details of the accident was made available in 2007. Some details can be inferred from the information released. For example, the limited injury implies that the victim's PPE may have been worn in the correct manner.

This entry will be expanded if access to the report of the investigation is made available in future.

The spreadsheet data is reproduced below, edited for anonymity.

"Date and country. [Name removed] - senior deminer:

Initial injuries to left leg and foot, injuries healed completely.

Stood on PMN mine, after accidentally stepping over the front of lane marker.  
Mine did not function properly and so injuries not consistent with those expected from type of mine.”

### Victim Report

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| <b>Victim number:</b> 612               | <b>Name:</b> [Name removed]                 |
| <b>Age:</b>                             | <b>Gender:</b> Male                         |
| <b>Status:</b> supervisory              | <b>Fit for work:</b> presumed               |
| <b>Compensation:</b> Not made available | <b>Time to hospital:</b> Not made available |
| <b>Protection issued:</b> Not recorded  | <b>Protection used:</b> Not made available  |

#### Summary of injuries:

minor Leg

severe Foot

COMMENT: No Medical report was made available. Injuries had "healed completely" in 2007.

#### Analysis

The primary cause of this accident is listed as “Deminer inattention” because it seems that the victim accidentally stepped forward beyond his “front of lane marker”. Unfortunately, there is not enough information available to determine the cause with confidence.

The secondary cause is listed as a “Management control inadequacy” because the management of the demining group declined to make the accident details available. Although this is sometimes done to protect the Victims, in this case the Victim’s name was among the limited detail made available. It is possible that the managers have chosen to avoid transparency because the circumstances of the accident would reflect badly on their organisation.