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DDAS Accident Report

Accident details

Report date: 05/03/2011	Accident number: 614
Accident time: 08:06	Accident Date: 05/04/2008
Where it occurred: Khwaja Khalil village, Taluqan District, Takhar Province	Country: Afghanistan
Primary cause: Field control inadequacy (?)	Secondary cause: Field control inadequacy (?)
Class: Excavation accident	Date of main report: Not recorded
ID original source: DA06	Name of source: UNMACCA
Organisation: [Name removed]	
Mine/device: Type 72 AP blast	Ground condition: not recorded
Date record created:	Date last modified: 05/03/2011
No of victims: 1	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 (?)

Inadequate detector pinpointing

Accident report

The only report of this accident that has been made available to date was in a UNMACA EXCEL spreadsheet. Text in square brackets [] is editorial. This record will be revised as more information becomes available.

The EXCEL summary is reproduced below, edited for anonymity.

Demining Accident involving [Demining group]

Date: 5th April 2008

Time 08:06

Location: Khwaja Khalil village, Taluqan District, Takhar Province.

Task Number: [None]

Team: MCT-42

Name of victim: [No name recorded], Deminer

Injury type: Minor injuries on his hand

Activity: Prodding [Excavating]

Mine: Type 72 AP blast

Accident investigation completed. Action taken.

It is the conclusion of the investigation team that the involved deminer did not properly mark the signal with the reading marker. Also he was carelessly excavating the reading point, and this caused the mine to be exploded.

Victim Report

Victim number: 797	Name: [Name removed]
Age:	Gender: Male
Status: deminer	Fit for work: presumed
Compensation: Not made available	Time to hospital: Not made available
Protection issued: Not recorded	Protection used: Not made available

Summary of injuries:

INJURIES: minor Hand

COMMENT: No Medical report was made available.

Analysis

The primary and secondary cause of this accident are listed as *Field Control Inadequacy* because the investigators concluded that the Victim was working carelessly and his errors were not corrected.

The "Inadequate investigation" listed under notes refers to the absence of a full accident report. The UN supported MACCA has failed to make these widely available for some years in contravention of the requirements of the IMAS.