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DDAS Accident Report

Accident details

Report date: 05/03/2011	Accident number: 618
Accident time: 11:15	Accident Date: 05/03/2008
Where it occurred: Shir Khan Village, Surobi District, Logar Province	Country: Afghanistan
Primary cause: Field control inadequacy (?)	Secondary cause: Management/control inadequacy (?)
Class: Missed-mine accident	Date of main report: Not recorded
ID original source: DA03	Name of source: UNMACCA
Organisation: [Name removed]	
Mine/device: AP blast (unrecorded)	Ground condition: not recorded
Date record created:	Date last modified: 05/03/2011
No of victims: 0	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 area marking (?)

mine/device found in "cleared" area (?)

non injurious accident (?)

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 March 2008

Time 11.15

Machine damaged: front tyre of the MDU 01 is damaged by an AP blast mine.

Location: Shir Khan Village, Surobi District, Logar Province.

Task Number: MF 155

Name of victim: [None]

1. Not recording of the un-checked soil located in cleared area in suspension report by [Demining group], DT#17 is considered a major non conformity and to be deemed a main contributing factor to happening of the accident and
2. Poor and improper marking carried out by [previous Demining group in the area], DT#17 after suspension of clearance activities, which caused not to properly distinguish the cleared and un-cleared portion of the minefield is considered a major non-conformity.

Analysis

The primary cause of this accident is listed as a *Field Control Inadequacy* because the demining group left the area without appropriately marking those areas worked and those that were still hazardous. The secondary cause is listed as a *Management Control Inadequacy* because it is the demining group's senior management's responsibility to ensure that the field managers left the task area responsibly.

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.