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DDAS Accident Report

Accident details

Report date: 05/03/2011	Accident number: 627
Accident time: 09:45	Accident Date: 07/06/2008
Where it occurred: Task No: AF/2801/28745/ 057, Tapa-e-Nayak (Sukhdar) Village, Centre District, Bamyan Province	Country: Afghanistan
Primary cause: Victim inattention (?)	Secondary cause: Unavoidable (?)
Class: Other	Date of main report: Not recorded
ID original source: DA14	Name of source: UNMACCA
Organisation: [Name removed]	
Mine/device: YM-1 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 (?)

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 if more information is made available.

The EXCEL summary is reproduced below, edited for anonymity.

S. # 14, No.# Accident: DA14

Demining group: [Demining group]

Date of Accident: Sat June/07/2008, 09:45 AM

IMSMA ID: CA-183

Accident/Incident: 14

Name: [the Victim]

Type of Casualty: Deminer

Type of injury: No suffered any physically injury; he just complain that he could not hear properly.

Title: Deminer

Team No: DT 03

Task No: AF/2801/28745/ 057

Activity of Victim during accident: A stone rolled down from his hand to unclear area and stroked with YM-1 anti personnel mine

Type Device: AP - YM-1

Equipment Damaged: [None]

Village, District, Province: Tapa-e-Nayak (Sukhdar) Village, Centre District, Bamyan Province

Investigation Completed Y/N: Y

Action Taken by NGOs (Y/N): Y

BOI Conclusions:

1. Carelessness of the deminer is deemed to be a major contributing factor to this incident, as in such a steep area he should had been taking special care not loose a stone down to unclear portion of the task.
2. Strong control by command group was also needed in such a difficult task.

Victim Report

Victim number: 809

Name: [Name removed]

Age:

Gender: Male

Status: deminer

Fit for work: yes

Compensation: Not made available

Time to hospital: Not made available

Protection issued: Not recorded

Protection used: Not made available

Summary of injuries:

INJURIES: minor Hearing

COMMENT: No Medical report was made available.

Analysis

The primary cause of this accident is listed as *Victim inattention* because the investigators found that the Victim was careless. The secondary cause is listed as *Unavoidable*, because it is possible that the Victim inadvertently dropped a marking stone (rather than threw it deliberately at a mine) and minor accidents like that are unavoidable.

It is unusual to deliberately work above a mined area. Generally, the deminers would work along the low ground and clear uphill, so meaning that a dropped rock or a stumbling deminer would not fall into the mined area.

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. The failure of the UN to share the Afghan investigators’ work with others is regrettable.