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DDAS Accident Report

Accident details

Report date: 05/03/2011	Accident number: 632
Accident time: 07:40	Accident Date: 09/07/2007
Where it occurred: Qalai Golay village Bagram district of Parwan	Country: Afghanistan
Primary cause: Inadequate training (?)	Secondary cause: Unavoidable (?)
Class: Excavation accident	Date of main report: Not recorded
ID original source: None	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: 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 (?)
visor not worn or worn raised (?)
squatting/kneeling to excavate (?)
Inadequate detector pinpointing

Accident report

The only report of this accident that has been made available to date was in a UNMACA document entitled "Summary of Demining Accidents in Afghanistan in 2007" . The conversion into a DDAS file has led to some of the original formatting being lost. Text in square brackets [] is editorial. This record will be revised as more information becomes available.

The summary is reproduced below, edited for anonymity.

Demining Accident involving [Demining group] Deminer:

Date: 09 July 07

Location: Qalai Golay village Bagram district of Parwan

Task Number: 132

Name of victim: [Name removed], Position: Deminer

Team Number: MCT-03

Time of Accident: 07:40 hour

Device Type: AP mine

Injuries Sustained: Face injuries (minor fragments)

Current Condition: Satisfactory at Eye Hospital in Kabul

Description of the accident:

The accident occurred whilst the deminer was excavating on a detector reading; the deminer failed to identify the center of reading, therefore he hit top of the mine.

Victim Report

Victim number: 814

Name: [Name removed]

Age:

Gender: Male

Status: deminer

Fit for work: not known

Compensation: Not made available

Time to hospital: Not made available

Protection issued: Not recorded

Protection used: Not made available

Summary of injuries:

INJURIES: minor Face, severe Eye

COMMENT: Injuries Sustained: Face injuries (minor fragments). Current Condition: Satisfactory at Eye Hospital in Kabul. No Medical report was made available. Severe eye injury is inferred from his presence at the eye hospital.

Analysis

The primary cause of this accident is listed as *Inadequate training* because the summary says that the Victim did not pinpoint a detector reading properly and this caused the accident. The secondary cause is listed as *Unavoidable* because it is possible that the Victim was working to his SOPs at the time of the accident (excavation accidents do occur even when working correctly).

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.