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# DDAS Accident Report

## Accident details

<b>Report date:</b> 06/03/2011	<b>Accident number:</b> 672
<b>Accident time:</b> 11:34	<b>Accident Date:</b> 19/05/2008
<b>Where it occurred:</b> MF 189, Qalai Ahmad Khan Village, Bagram District, Parwan Province	<b>Country:</b> Afghanistan
<b>Primary cause:</b> Field control inadequacy (?)	<b>Secondary cause:</b> Inadequate equipment (?)
<b>Class:</b> Excavation accident	<b>Date of main report:</b> Not recorded
<b>ID original source:</b> DA12, CA171	<b>Name of source:</b> UNMACCA
<b>Organisation:</b> [Name removed]	
<b>Mine/device:</b> PMN AP blast	<b>Ground condition:</b> not recorded
<b>Date record created:</b>	<b>Date last modified:</b> 06/03/2011
<b>No of victims:</b> 1	<b>No of documents:</b> 1

## Map details

<b>Longitude:</b>	<b>Latitude:</b>
<b>Alt. coord. system:</b> Not recorded	<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 (?)  
inadequate equipment (?)  
visor not worn or worn raised (?)  
request for machine to assist (?)

## 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: 1<sup>st</sup> May 2008

Time: 11:08

Location: MF 189, Qalai Ahmad Khan Village, Bagram District, Parwan Province.

Task Number: MF 189

Team: DT-05

Name of victim: [Name removed], Deminer

Injury type: Injuries on right eye and right below knee areas

Accident occurred while marking cleared area

Mine: PMN

Internal ID: DA 12, CA-171

Accident investigation completed. Action taken.

1. The accident has occurred because of error made by the involved deminer as he wanted to remove a piece of wire and a steel bar without taking the precautionary measures into consideration. He should not have removed them by hand but either pulling practice or using machine should have been practiced.
2. Mechanical means should have been used in this area due to existing of extra soil.

### Victim Report

<b>Victim number:</b> 855	<b>Name:</b> [Name removed]
<b>Age:</b>	<b>Gender:</b> Male
<b>Status:</b> deminer	<b>Fit for work:</b> not known
<b>Compensation:</b> Not made available	<b>Time to hospital:</b> Not made available
<b>Protection issued:</b>	<b>Protection used:</b> Not made available

#### Summary of injuries:

INJURIES: severe Eye, severe Leg

COMMENT: No Medical report was made available.

#### Analysis

The primary cause of this accident is listed as a *Field Control Inadequacy* because the Victim was working in a way that was unsafe and his error was not corrected. The secondary cause is listed as *Inadequate equipment* because the investigators determined that a machine should have been used to help removed the wire.

The Victim's injuries did not include a traumatic amputation so it is presumed that the mine detonated some distance away. The Victim's eye injury implies that he was not wearing his visor correctly at the time of the accident.

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.