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DDAS Accident Report

Accident details

Report date: 07/03/2011	Accident number: 694
Accident time: 09:15	Accident Date: 26/10/2008
Where it occurred: AF/2811/28882/MF # 009, Banaq Village, Kahmard District, Bamyan Province	Country: Afghanistan
Primary cause: Field control inadequacy (?)	Secondary cause: Other (?)
Class: Excavation accident	Date of main report: Not recorded
ID original source: DA41	Name of source: UNMACCA
Organisation: [Name removed]	
Mine/device: AP blast (unrecorded)	Ground condition: not recorded
Date record created:	Date last modified: 07/03/2011
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 (?)

squatting/kneeling to excavate (?)

Accident report

The only report of this accident that has been made available to date was in a UNMACCA 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. # 41

No.# Accident: DA41

Demining group: [Name removed]

Date of Accident: 26th October 2008 09:15 AM

IMSMA ID: CA-180

Accident/Incident: Demining Accident

Name: [the Victim]

Type of Casualty: Injured

Type of injury: Injuries on his right foot ankle

Title: Deminer

Team No: 46

Task No: AF/2811/28882/MF # 009

Activity of Victim during accident: Excavating

Type Device: AP blast

Equipment Damaged: [None]

Village, District, Province: Banaq Village, Kahmard District, Bamyan Province

Investigation Completed Y/N: Y

Action Taken by NGOs (Y/N): Y

BOI Conclusions:

Carelessness of deminer and poor supervision in terms of not conducted QC, caused the accident, and happened.

Victim Report

Victim number: 880

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: severe Foot

COMMENT: "Injuries on his right foot ankle". No Medical report was made available.

Analysis

The primary cause of this accident is listed as a *Field Control Inadequacy* because the investigators found that no Quality Control was conducted, from which it is inferred that field supervision was lacking. The secondary cause is listed as *Other* because the summary does not contain enough detail to infer the activities 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. The failure of the UN to share the Afghan investigators’ work with others is regrettable.