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# DDASaccident700

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# DDAS Accident Report

## Accident details

<b>Report date:</b> 07/03/2011	<b>Accident number:</b> 700
<b>Accident time:</b> 11:00	<b>Accident Date:</b> 27/10/2008
<b>Where it occurred:</b> AF/2811/28891/MF002 , Mader Village, Kahmard District, Bamyan Province	<b>Country:</b> Afghanistan
<b>Primary cause:</b> Unavoidable (?)	<b>Secondary cause:</b> Other (?)
<b>Class:</b> Excavation accident	<b>Date of main report:</b> Not recorded
<b>ID original source:</b> DA42	<b>Name of source:</b> UNMACCA
<b>Organisation:</b> [Name removed]	
<b>Mine/device:</b> AP blast (unrecorded)	<b>Ground condition:</b> not recorded
<b>Date record created:</b>	<b>Date last modified:</b> 07/03/2011
<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 (?)

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. # 42, No.# Accident: DA42

Demining group: [Name removed]

Date of Accident: 27th October 2008 11:00 AM

IMSMA ID: CA-181

Accident/Incident: Demining accident

Name: [the Victim]

Type of Casualty: Injured

Type of injury: Superficial injury on his finger

Title: Deminer

Team No: DT-33

Task No: AF/2811/28891/MF002

Activity of Victim during accident: Excavating

Type Device: AP blast mine

Equipment Damaged: [None]

Village, District, Province: Mader Village, Kahmard District, Bamyan Province

Investigation Completed Y/N: Y

Action Taken by NGOs (Y/N): Y

BOI Conclusions:

As it was a difficult task for the clearance, and required extra attention and care of command group and deminers themselves, thus the carelessness of deminer was the main contributing factor to this accident. The consequence of this accident is a slight injury to the finger of deminer which indicates that he was fully dressed with PPE.

## Victim Report

<b>Victim number:</b> 886	<b>Name:</b> [Name removed]
<b>Age:</b>	<b>Gender:</b> Male
<b>Status:</b> deminer	<b>Fit for work:</b> presumed
<b>Compensation:</b> Not made available	<b>Time to hospital:</b> Not made available
<b>Protection issued:</b> Frontal apron Long visor	<b>Protection used:</b> Frontal apron, Long visor

### Summary of injuries:

INJURIES: minor Finger

COMMENT: "Superficial injury on his finger." No Medical report was made available.

## **Analysis**

The primary cause of this accident is listed as *Unavoidable* because the area was described as “difficult” and it is possible that the Victim was working to approved SOPs when the accident occurred: excavation accidents can happen no matter how cautious the approach. The secondary cause is listed *Other* because the summary does not contain enough detail to derive an understanding of the events at the time.

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.