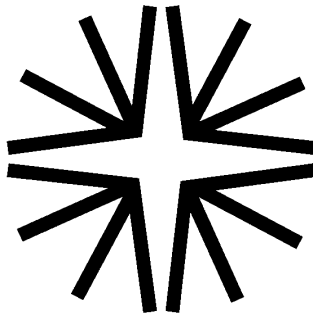


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**EADRCC SITUATION REPORT No. 1**  
**Explosion of ammunition in Ukraine**

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1. In accordance with the procedures at reference, EADRCC has received today, 24 March 2017, a request for assistance. The following information was provided. (new information in **bold**)

2. General Situation

Type of the Disaster : Explosions of ammunition  
Date and Time the Disaster occurred : Ongoing  
Location of the Disaster : Balaklia, Kharkiv region, Ukraine

A fire occurred on 23 March 2017 at 14:45 (local time) at an ammunition depot in Balaklia, Kharkiv region, Ukraine. The fire initiated the detonation of missiles and ammunition.

**Disaster impact:**

**Based on the updated information provided by the State Emergency Service of Ukraine on Friday 24 March at 21:40, explosions of various intensity continue to produce (on average one explosion every 5 minutes).**

**One person died, Two persons were injured and about 20 000 people have been evacuated from the danger area (having a radius of 10km) that include nine surrounding settlements.**

**Response actions by the national authorities:**

**The Ukrainian authorities are undertaking all efforts to manage the consequences of the disaster.**

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More than 1400 first responders and 226 vehicles have been engaged in the emergency response. This includes 390 personnel and about 100 special and firefighting vehicles as well as 9 pyrotechnical units from the SESU. Additional reserve capabilities are in standby mode including two fire trains stationed at the railway station Shebelynka.

The firefighting operations are conducted by a special unit of the Ministry of Defense that includes two fire tanks. State Emergency Service of Ukraine units provide the water supply for the two fire tanks and have extinguished about 19 fires produced in the surrounding area following the explosions.

Balakleya town was divided into 9 sectors in order to organize and effectively perform the work on detection and removal of explosive devices. The pyrotechnic units of State Emergency Service of Ukraine removed and disposed 74 pieces or fragments of ammunition.

State Emergency Service of Ukraine, National Police and local authorities verified 120 apartment buildings and organized the evacuation of people with disabilities.

Three evacuation centers continue to function, two in Balakliia town and one in Verbivka village.

To prevent further emergencies in the danger area, the authorities took the following measures:

- Balakliia town was disconnected from the gas supply;
- the activity of 29 potentially dangerous locations/ facilities, including 13 gas stations, was suspended;
- the railway transport through the station Balakliia was suspended;
- the road traffic was redirected and
- the air traffic within a radius of 40 km was suspended.

A hotline is being organized in Balakliia town.

3. State Emergency Service of Ukraine sent to EADRCC the following updated list of requirements for international assistance:

No	Name of vehicle and equipment	Quantity
1	Robotic system for mechanical demining (type "Božena-5", MV-10 Minewolf or similar)	2
2	Special truck (6x6, 4x4 with hydraulic arm) having a load capacity of more than 2 tons, for the transport and disposal of ammunition	5
3	Terrain vehicles (4x4, "pickup" type) for the transport of personnel and detection equipment	5
4	Robot type TALON (IED / EOD) for remote inspection, transport and disposal of explosives	2



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5	Reconnaissance unmanned aerial vehicles (quadcopter) for Humanitarian Demining	2
6	Personal protective demining equipment	75
7	Demining tools set type HAL 3 or similar	15
8	HAL Tactical Modular Equipment Packs MED-ENG or similar.	75
9	Mobile VHF radio base, 50W digital relay (range of at least 20 km)	15
10	Portable VHF radio with backup batteries	75
11	Tents for 5-10 people	15
12	Power generators 5-10 kW	75

#### 4. Points of entry:

<b>№</b>	<b>Transport by</b>	<b>Entry point</b>	<b>Adress</b>
a	Air	Checkpoint "Boryspil airport," Kyiv customs SFSU	Boryspil town – 7, Airport; Customs post code: 125120000
b	Sea	Customs Post "Chornomorskiy" Odessa customs SFSU	68001, Odessa region, Chernomorsk town 1, Str. Industrial Customs post code: 500040000
c	Sea	Customs Post "Odessa-center" Odessa customs SFSU	65026 Odessa, Bonded Area 1; Customs post code: 500060000;
d	Road	Customs Post "Yagodyn" Volyn customs SFSU	44332, Volyn region, Lyuboml'sky area, Starovoytove village, Str. Border guards, 2 Customs post code: 205020000
e	Road	Customs post "Uzhgorod" Transcarpathian customs SFSU	88000, Transcarpathian region, city Uzhgorod, st. Sobranetskaya, 224 Customs post code: 30506 00 00.
f	Road	Customs post "Rava-Ruska" Lviv Customs SFSU	80316, Lviv region, Zhovkva district, Rata village, Str. Grebinsky 28 Customs post code: 209100000

5. The Operational Point of Contact can be reached in the following ways:



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## 7. Response co-ordination.

7.1. With a view to providing a coordinated response to Ukraine's request, nations in a position to meet these demands, in full or in part, are invited to reply to the Operational Point of Contact of the Stricken Nation, with an information copy to EADRCC, by any of the communication means listed above and below.

8. The Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Centre can be reached in the following ways:

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