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Explosion of ammunition in Ukraine
(the latest information in bold)

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

2. The State Emergency Service of Ukraine has informed the EADRCC that they close this request for assistance.

3. On behalf of the Government of Ukraine, the EADRCC thanks all nations that offered or provided assistance.

4. The emergency and the current situation

   On 23 March 2017, a fire occurred at an ammunition depot in Balakliya, Kharkiv region, Ukraine. The ensuing explosions caused one fatality, three casualties and the immediate evacuation of 20,000 people from a 10 km danger area.

   As of 6 April 2017, the explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) teams cleared the territory of Balakliya town and 9 settlements in the vicinity.

   The contaminated area in and around Balakliya was reduced from 10 km to 1 km.
The electricity infrastructure has been restored in Balakliya and works to repair the gas supply infrastructure continue.
A total of 727 persons and 133 vehicles, including EOD units (from the State Emergency Service of Ukraine 100 persons and 36 vehicles) have been engaged in the emergency response.

5. International assistance provided to Ukraine

5.1 Poland offered to Ukraine three power generators (5-10 kW) and five tents for 5-10 people.

5.2 Romania provided 15 tents on 31 March 2017.

5.3 Slovakia offered an EOD expert team to help clear, remove and destroy explosive remnants of the ammunition depot explosion.

5.4 Based on the list of requirements that was sent to EADRCC by Ukraine, NATO’s Science for Peace and Security Program (SPS) will procure the following items to equip the demining teams of State Emergency Service of Ukraine who are conducting recovery operations in and around the ammunition depot in Balakliya:

- Personal protective demining equipment
- Demining tools set type HAL 3 or similar: 15 pcs
- Mobile VHF radio base: 15 pcs
- Portable VHF: 75 pcs

5.5 Volunteer organizations and the Ukrainian Red Cross Society provided humanitarian assistance including:

- about 60 tons of food;
- medicines to the total UAH 470,000;
- blankets and mattresses - 800 sets.

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