### Awareness Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2005 17:15 – 19:15





# Landmine Awareness

# **Objectives**

- ■Types of mines
- ■Where they are likely to be found
- Warning clues
- ■What to do if.....when
- Advice to drivers



Anti-personnel Mine





Victim of the Landmine Explosion



Types of Landmines



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Another Type of Mine





Locations of Landmines



### Where Mines/UXOs May Be **Found**

- Any conflict area past or present
- Near military positionsAlongside tracks
- Entrance to houses
- Around wells and water points
- Within cover.
- Stream crossing points

# "On all easy approaches to military camps" "All camps may have a 50

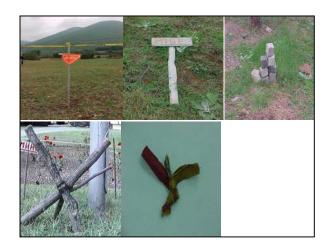
metre risk radius".

# **Warning Clues**

- Dead animals
- Holes in the road
- After fighting (Even in "calm" areas)
- Mines, wires, fuses that can be seen
- Unused or overgrown fields fields
- Overgrown track or disused tracks

### **WARNING MARKINGS**

- ☐ Knotted grass
- ☐ Flags/Crosses on trees
- ☐ Plastic bags, Coke cans on sticks, etc.
- ☐ Anything out of the ordinary.....such as







#### **Emergency Procedures on foot**

- Movement Stops
- Inform those around you. Contact your office......how?
- Note the area what else can be seen/
- Evaluate the situation
- Do not move await help.....how long?

### If you see a mine...do not

- Panic
- Approach it
- Pull or cut wires
- Leave the track
- Throw rocks at it

#### Mine Strike!

- Remain calm
- Do not rush to the victim
- Do not follow others
- Call for assistance.....but
- Give 1st aid if possible
- Get out of the area with assistance!

### **Vehicles**

- Ballistic blankets
- Shatter Resistant Film
- Specialist vehicles

## **Advice to Drivers**

- Become Fieldwise!
- Use seat belts all seats!
- Stay on cleared routes
- Drive more slowly.....

#### **Instructions to Drivers**

- 100 metre spacing between vehicles in high risk areas.
- Ensure 1st Aid kits to contain trauma dressings.
- Know routes to nearest hospital!!

#### Never - Ever!

- oPick it up
- oInterfere or try to destroy it
- Accept a device from a child (or adult)
- oCollect souvenirs
- oTake a closer look

# **SOLUTIONS**

#### Planning

- Local Authorities
- National Staff
- Local Guides
- Demining Operations

#### Training









Victims of Landmine Explosions



# **Summary**

- Be aware
- Be updated
- Avoidance!
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- Get everyone trained!