

BANGLADESH

RESUPPLY, REDEPLOYMENT AND REPLENISHMENT OF AMMUNITION AND EXPLOSIVE UNDER UN MANAGEMENT WITHIN A FIXED TIME FRAME WITH REIMBURSEMENT

ISSUE PAPER THEME: Major Equipment

PROBLEM STATEMENT

Transportation of ammunition for provision of self-sustainment is the responsibility of Police Contributing Country (PCC)/ Troops Contributing Country (TCC). The United Nations will reimburse contributing countries for deploying ammunition to and from the mission area. Situation of replenishment arises when unit ammunition and public order management explosives e.g. teargas grenades/canisters, teargas-hand grenades, smoke grenades, flash-bang grenades/thunder flashes status fall below the required level due to expiration of date or scale-up of minimum quantity of ammunition to be stocked by a contingent as per the revised policy in the Ammunition Management manual 2020. The United Nations will reimburse the transportation costs **or arrange transportation (upon request of T/PCC) for** the deployment, redeployment and replenishment of those specific types of ammunition (teargas grenades/canisters, teargas-hand grenades, smoke grenades, flash-bang grenades/thunder flashes, soft kinetic projectile, Illuminations flare, tracer, incendiary, grenades). Expired ammunition affects operational effectiveness and readiness of the contingent. Such a state of ammunition stock poses a great threat for the effectiveness of the police component of the mission. Moreover, the T/PCC also faces setback in terms of deduction of reimbursement against those expired ammunition and explosives. In this regard, it is imperative to stipulate a time frame (3-6 months) for transportation of these items by the UN once they expire and become non-serviceable. Moreover, The UN should continue to reimburse the T/PCCs at usual rate if the T/PCC is ready to replace the expired ammunition and explosives but transportation of the items to mission area is not conducted by the UN within this time frame.

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COE Manual 2023 Chapter 3, Annex A, para 29, page no- 36/271

29. The United Nations will reimburse contributing countries for deploying ammunition to and from the mission area. Since the cost of ammunition and missiles associated with major equipment items, such as anti-aircraft and anti-armor weapons and howitzers, and explosives used with major equipment, is not included in the calculation of monthly wet

lease rates, an incremental transportation factor is not included to reimburse the cost of transportation for their replenishment. Consequently, the United Nations will reimburse the transportation costs or arrange transportation (upon request of T/PCC) **for** the deployment, redeployment and replenishment of those specific types of ammunition as well as for ammunition or explosives used with major equipment **within a fixed time frame (3-6 months) from the expiry of the ammunition or explosives. Moreover, no reimbursement will be deducted from the PCC/TCC if the PCC/TCC is ready to replace these expired items but transportation of those items to mission area could not be conducted under the arrangement of the UN within this time frame.**