THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

PROPOSAL TO ADD NEW DEMINING EQUIPMENT (BOMB BASKET, BOMB BLANKET AND BOMB TRAILER)

1. ISSUE PAPER THEME

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2. SUMMARY / BACKGROUND

- Demining equipment is very sensitive and easily damaged. The damage can occur at any time, either when it is not being used, being used incorrectly, or when unexpected explosion occurs. Meanwhile, this type of equipment is now widely utilized by contributing countries.

- The use of Improvised Explosive Device Disposal, both Radio-Controlled Improvised Explosive Device (RCIED) and Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED), as well as other types, continues to grow technologically. When reviewing COE Manual, new types of demining equipment should be considered and continuously updated in line with the development of explosive devices.

- Based on IEDTM (Improvised Explosive Device Threat Mitigation), the current category of demining equipment in COE Manual is incomplete and not in accordance with basic principle of the UN Peacekeeping Missions Military EOD Unit Manual 2017, Paragraph 1.4 on Philosophy and Principles as well as International Mine Action Standards (IMAS), 10.50 on Storage, Transportation, and Handling of Explosives in Paragraph 8.2 on Passengers (“demining organizations should not normally transport passengers with explosives”).

3. DETAILED PROPOSAL

- Demining equipment should be utilized in line with the abovementioned regulations, particularly mindful of the safety and security of peacekeeping personnel. Thus, Indonesia sees that types of EOD equipment should be expanded, to also include bomb basket, bomb blanket, and bomb trailer.

- This is in accordance with COE Manual 2020, Chapter 8, Annex A, page 190/271, explanation as described in footnote f: “to guarantee the safety and security of peacekeeping personnel and materials, demining and equipment for the disposal of explosive ordnance/improvised explosive devices should perform in compliance with the International Mine Action Standards”.

4. PROPOSED MANUAL TEXT

- Insert bomb basket, bomb blanket and bomb trailer into the type of equipment for EOD, as described in Chapter 8, Annex A, page 177-179.