



## Campaign to Ban Landmines and Cluster Bombs

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# Congratulations!



The Convention on Cluster Munitions  
Becomes International Law on  
1 August 2010;  
30 countries ratified the Convention on  
16 February 2010.

### **Committment to:**

- Ban on Production, Use and Transfer of these deadly weapons
- Stockpile Destruction
- Clear contaminated areas
- Help SURVIVORS

# What is the Convention on Cluster Munitions ?

The Convention on Cluster Munitions, CCM, prohibits all use, stockpiling, production and transfer of Cluster Munitions. Separate articles in the Convention concern assistance to victims, clearance of contaminated areas and destruction of stockpiles. The Convention was adopted in Dublin by 107 states on 30 May 2008 and signed on 3 December the same year. The Convention became binding international law when it entered into force on 1 August 2010.

“Explosive remnants of war have given me immense pain and unreciprocated loss in my life since 1991 when a cluster bomb accident killed my four-year-old daughter and made my husband permanently disabled.”

Huong Thi Nguyen, Vietnam



# What can I do?

## TAKE ACTION NOW!!!

- Check your country's position on the Cluster Munitions Convention (CCM)
- Ask your government to sign or ratify the CCM
- Ask your government to attend the First Meeting of States Parties to the CCM in Laos in November 8-12, 2010
- Celebrate the entry of CCM as International Law on 1 August with people around the world by:
  - Inviting your friends to drum and dance with a drummer or a band
  - Praying for peace in your church, temple, mosque or garden



“I was digging in the soil when I hit a cluster submunition in 1996. I was taken to the hospital where I spent the next 6 weeks recovering. Sadly I lost my left arm. I now work in my home province helping other disabled people especially those injured like myself by cluster munitions” Vihak Bounmy, Lao PDR

# What are cluster bombs?

Cluster munitions are large weapons which are deployed from the air and from the ground and release dozens or hundreds of smaller submunitions. Submunitions released by air-dropped cluster bombs are most often called “bomblets,” while those delivered from the ground by artillery or rockets are usually referred to as “grenades.”



# What is the problem?

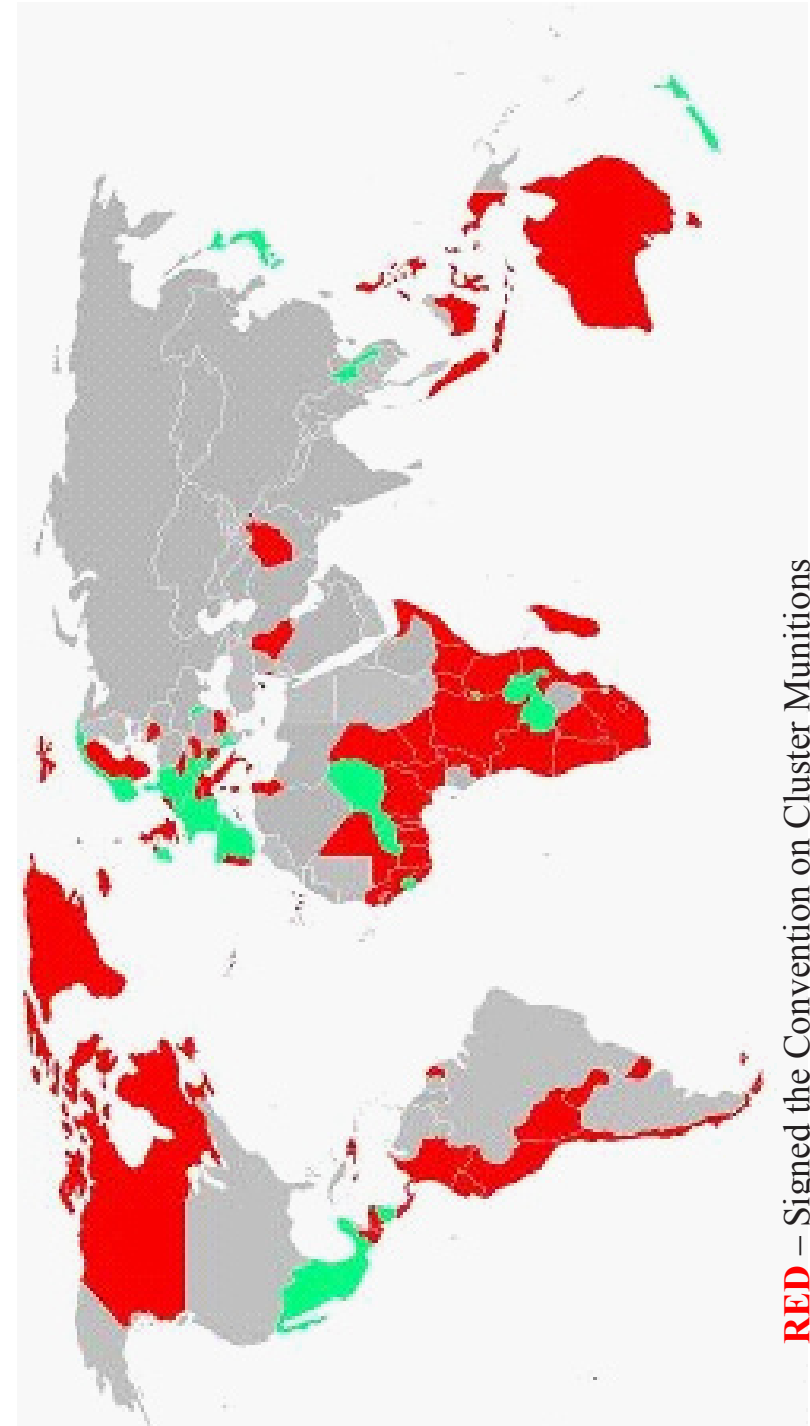


Air-dropped or ground-launched, they cause two major humanitarian problems and risks to civilians. First, their widespread dispersal means they cannot distinguish between military targets and civilians so the humanitarian impact can be extreme, especially when the weapon is

used in or near populated areas.

Many submunitions fail to detonate on impact and become de facto antipersonnel mines killing and maiming people long after the conflict has ended. These duds are more lethal than antipersonnel mines; incidents involving submunition duds are much more likely to cause death than injury.

Thus far (9 April 2010), 104 countries signed and 30 countries ratified



**RED** – Signed the Convention on Cluster Munitions  
**GREEN** – Signed and Ratified the Convention on Cluster Munitions

## Has your country banned landmines and cluster bombs?

	COUNTRIES NAME	CCM	MBT				
				49	Brunei Darussalam	No	Yes
1	Albania	Yes	Yes	50	Bulgaria	50%	Yes
2	Austria	Yes	Yes	51	Cambodia	No	Yes
3	Belgium	Yes	Yes	52	Cameroon	50%	Yes
4	Burkina Faso	Yes	Yes	53	Canada	50%	Yes
5	Burundi	Yes	Yes	54	Cape Verde	50%	Yes
6	Croatia	Yes	Yes	55	Chad	50%	Yes
7	Denmark	Yes	Yes	56	Central African Rep.	50%	Yes
8	France	Yes	Yes	57	Chile	50%	Yes
9	Germany	Yes	Yes	58	Colombia	50%	Yes
10	Holy See	Yes	Yes	59	Comoros	50%	Yes
11	Ireland	Yes	Yes	60	Congo (Brazzaville)	50%	Yes
12	Japan	Yes	Yes	61	DR Congo	50%	Yes
13	Luxembourg	Yes	Yes	62	Cook Islands	50%	Yes
14	Macedonia	Yes	Yes	63	Costa Rica	50%	Yes
15	Malawi	Yes	Yes	64	Cote D'Ivoire	50%	Yes
16	Malta	Yes	Yes	65	Cyprus	50%	Yes
17	Mexico	Yes	Yes	66	Czech Republic	50%	Yes
18	Montenegro	Yes	Yes	67	Djib Ut	No	Yes
19	New Zealand	Yes	Yes	68	Dominica	No	Yes
20	Nicaragua	Yes	Yes	69	Dominican Republic	50%	Yes
21	Niger	Yes	Yes	70	Ecuador	50%	Yes
22	Norway	Yes	Yes	71	El Salvador	50%	Yes
23	Republic of Moldova	Yes	Yes	72	Equatorial Guinea	No	Yes
24	San Marino	Yes	Yes	73	Eritrea	No	Yes
25	Sierra Leone	Yes	Yes	74	Estonia	No	Yes
26	Slovenia	Yes	Yes	75	Ethiopia	No	Yes
27	Spain	Yes	Yes	76	Fiji	50%	Yes
28	Uruguay	Yes	Yes	77	Gabon	No	Yes
29	Zambia	Yes	Yes	78	Gambia	50%	Yes
30	Laos PDR	Yes	No	79	Ghana	50%	Yes
31	Afghanistan	50%	Yes	80	Greece	No	Yes
32	Algeria	No	Yes	81	Grenada	No	Yes
33	Andorra	No	Yes	82	Guatemala	50%	Yes
34	Angola	50%	Yes	83	Guinea	50%	Yes
35	Antigua and Barbuda	No	Yes	84	Guinea-Bissau	50%	Yes
36	Argentina	No	Yes	85	Guyana	No	Yes
37	Australia	50%	Yes	86	Haiti	50%	Yes
38	Bahamas	No	Yes	87	Honduras	50%	Yes
39	Bangladesh	No	Yes	88	Hungary	50%	Yes
40	Barbados	No	Yes	89	Iceland	50%	Yes
41	Belarus	No	Yes	90	Indonesia	50%	Yes
42	Belize	No	Yes	91	Iraq	50%	Yes
43	Benin	50%	Yes	92	Italy	50%	Yes
44	Bhutan	No	Yes	93	Jamaica	50%	Yes
45	Bolivia	50%	Yes	94	Jordan	No	Yes
46	Bosnia & Herzegovina	50%	Yes	95	Kenya	50%	Yes
47	Botswana	50%	Yes	96	Kiribati	No	Yes
48	Brazil	No	Yes	97	Kuwait	No	Yes

No = Not signed and ratified; Yes = Signed and ratified; 50% = Signed but not ratified

98	Latvia	No	Yes	147	Tanzania	50%	Yes
99	Lebanon	50%	No	148	Togo	50%	Yes
100	Lesotho	50%	Yes	149	Trinidad and Tobago	No	Yes
101	Liberia	50%	Yes	150	Tunisia	50%	Yes
102	Liechtenstein	50%	Yes	151	Turkey	No	Yes
103	Lithuania	50%	Yes	152	Turkmenistan	No	Yes
104	Madagascar	50%	Yes	153	Uganda	50%	Yes
105	Malaysia	No	Yes	154	Ukraine	No	Yes
106	Maldives	No	Yes	155	United Kingdom	50%	Yes
107	Mali	50%	Yes	156	Vanuatu	No	Yes
108	Mauritania	No	Yes	157	Venezuela	No	Yes
109	Mauritius	No	Yes	158	Yemen	No	Yes
110	Monaco	50%	Yes	159	Zimbabwe	No	Yes
111	Mozambique	50%	Yes	160	Armenia	No	No
112	Namibia	50%	Yes	161	Azerbaijan	No	No
113	Nauru	50%	Yes	162	Bahrain	No	No
114	Netherlands	50%	Yes	163	Burma	No	No
115	Nigeria	50%	Yes	164	China	No	No
116	Niue	No	Yes	165	Cuba	No	No
117	Palau	50%	Yes	166	Egypt	No	No
118	Panama	50%	Yes	167	Finland	No	No
119	Papua New Guinea	No	Yes	168	Georgia	No	No
120	Paraguay	50%	Yes	169	India	No	No
121	Peru	50%	Yes	170	Iran	No	No
122	Philippines	50%	Yes	171	Israel	No	No
123	Portugal	50%	Yes	172	Kazakhstan	No	No
124	Qatar	No	Yes	173	Korea, North	No	No
125	Romania	No	Yes	174	Korea, South	No	No
126	Rwanda	50%	Yes	175	Kyrgyzstan	No	No
127	Saint Kitts and Nevis	No	Yes	176	Libya	No	No
128	Saint Lucia	No	Yes	177	Marshall Islands	No	No
129	St. Vincent	50%	Yes	178	Micronesia	No	No
130	Samoa	50%	Yes	179	Mongolia	No	No
131	SaoTom&Principe	50%	Yes	180	Morocco	No	No
132	Senegal	50%	Yes	181	Nepal	No	No
133	Serbia	No	Yes	182	Oman	No	No
134	Seychelles	No	Yes	183	Pakistan	No	No
135	Slovak Republic	No	Yes	184	Poland	No	No
136	Solomon Islands	No	Yes	185	Russian Federation	No	No
137	Somalia	50%	No	186	Saudi Arabia	No	No
138	South Africa	50%	Yes	187	Singapore	No	No
139	Sudan	No	Yes	188	Sri Lanka	No	No
140	Suriname	No	Yes	189	Syria	No	No
141	Swaziland	No	Yes	190	Tonga	No	No
142	Sweden	50%	Yes	191	Tuvalu	No	No
143	Switzerland	50%	Yes	192	U.A.Emirates	No	No
144	Tajitistan	No	Yes	193	United States	No	No
145	Thailand	No	Yes	194	Uzbekistan	No	No
146	Timor-Leste	No	Yes	195	Vietnam	No	No