



Treatment with Surplus Ammunition Stockpiles in the CAF



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Introduction



- **Ammunition & Weapons disposal process is covered by ministerial level decisions which included types and quantity of Ammunition intended for disposal at three ways: sale, donation and destruction,**
- **Procedures for ammunition destruction are based on the open burning / open detonation techniques,**
- **Processes are conducted through activity of MoD and General Staff inside Croatian military facility with EOD personnel according to prescribed regulations and commands,**



Disposal of Surplus Ammunition



- **About 11.000 tons of various types of ammunition was sold in the period from 2001. - 2014. Income from sales was 18 million €.**
- **Between 2001. to 2014, about 7.358 tons of various ammunition was destroyed with OB/OD technique in capacity of the CAF.**
- **The current capacity of destruction by OB/OD technique in the Armed Forces is about 500 tons/year.**
- **From 2011. to 2014. in the newly-installed civilian industrial capacity ISL "Spreewerk" in Gospić, we have contracted and destroyed different types of ammunition, in quantities of 1.628 tons with industrial demilitarization technique.**



Disposal of Surplus Ammunition - continue



- **Certain quantities of ammunition were disposed of by the financial support (donation) of the US Government:**
 - **In 2009., late 2011. and early 2012. was destroyed 1,000 pieces of surplus MANPADS (LPRS Strela-2M), 1,000 pieces RPG22, 1,000 pieces RPG7 and 34 sets of equipment for launching an Strela-2M for which donated \$ 2,000,000.00.**
 - **Part of the funds in the amount of \$ 1,630,000.00 was spent on procurement of equipment for EOD teams and upgrade the physical security of ammunition storage.**



Disposal of Surplus Ammunition - continue



- In the 2015 were destroyed surplus of MANPADS by OB/OD - 200 pieces of surplus MANPADS SA-7b (Strijela 2M) and 1 piece of surplus Igla, 24 pieces Strela 2M Launchers (gripstocks) and 3 pieces Igla Launchers (gripstocks)
- Financial support of 2,1 mil \$ will be use for upgrading physical security of perspective ammunition depots with technical protection
- Now is in progress new MoU by the financial support (donation) of the US Government for destruction of surplus MANPADS and SALW



Disposal of Surplus Ammunition - continue



- **Croatian MoD signed the MoU with the ITF for destroying surplus and unserviceable ammo by industrial demilitarization technique throw 2013 and 2014 for 1.992.200,59 \$.**
- **Currently Croatian MoD preparing a new Implementing Arrangement with the ITF for destroying surplus and unserviceable ammo by industrial demilitarization technique (about 1,5 mil \$). We will use this financial assistance for destruction of cluster ammunition**



Main Goal of Surplus Weapons and Ammunition Disposal



The objectives of the fast disposal of surplus ammunition in the CAF are:

- increase the safety of storage of ammunition in warehouses,**
- reducing the number of military storage complex,**
- reducing the cost of storage, preservation and maintenance of ammunition,**
- reducing the cost of monitoring the life cycle of ammunition.**



Cooperation at Regional Level



- **Possible forms of cooperation are in the use of the capacity for destruction and industrial demilitarization of ammunition, the exchange of experiences and standards in order to accelerate the process of disposing of surplus ammunition.**
- **Financial support to international companies would be welcome and would greatly accelerate the process of disposing of surplus ammunition across the region.**



Thank you for your attention!



Questions?