

## **Meeting of the ICBL-CMC Governance Board**

Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
31 January-2 February 2012

### **SUMMARY NOTE**

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This is a summary note on the retreat held by the Governance Board of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines and the Cluster Munition Coalition (ICBL-CMC) in Amsterdam on 31 January-2 February 2012. The last regular Board meeting was held in Phnom Penh on 3 December. The ICBL-CMC is grateful to IKV Pax Christi for hosting the retreat.

The ICBL undertook similar strategic consultations in 2004 and 2009, but this is the first strategic review for both the ICBL and CMC. The aim of the review is to produce an ICBL-CMC strategic plan for the period of campaigning leading to the next major milestones for the ICBL and CMC respectively: the Third Review Conference of the Mine Ban Treaty in 2014 and the First Review Conference of the Convention on Cluster Munitions in 2015. The 2015 Strategic Plan will not replace the ICBL and CMC's annual action plans prepared for 2012, but these will be adapted to reflect the findings of the strategic plan.

The process of preparing the strategic review began in June 2011 when the Board agreed to a proposal to produce the strategic plan. The ICBL-CMC contracted Nancy Ingram of Foot in the Door to undertake a stakeholder review, facilitate a staff retreat (in August 2011) and the Governance Board retreat (in February 2012), and draft the strategic plan in cooperation with ICBL-CMC executive director Sylvie Brigot.

From September 2011 to January 2012, a total of 17 individual stakeholders (donor governments, UN agencies, ICRC) and 40 ICBL-CMC members responded to survey questions for the strategic review. The ICBL-CMC staff prepared information for the Governance Board documenting the use of the ICBL and CMC resources over the past four years.

At the Amsterdam retreat, the Governance Board and ICBL-CMC staff considered the findings of the stakeholder and membership surveys, as well as the staff feedback. In plenary sessions and small group discussions, staff and Board members brainstormed on the main goals and objectives for the ICBL and CMC over the next four years. The strategic plan is now being drafted and will be finalized in the coming weeks, by the time of the next meeting of the Governance Board, which will be held in Geneva in May 2012.

All, but two of the 17 member NGOs of the ICBL-CMC Governance Board and all staff participated in the Amsterdam retreat (see list at the end of this document) The Afghan Landmine Survivors Organisation and Religions for Peace sent apologies. All ICBL-CMC staff participated, except the new finance officer Steve Ardito, CMC director Laura Cheeseman and Landmine and Cluster Munition Monitor project manager Jackie Hansen (both on maternity leave) and Monitor coordinator Kathryn Millet.

For questions on the 2015 Strategic Plan process or product, please do not hesitate contact ICBL executive director Sylvie Brigot: [sylvie@icblcmc.org](mailto:sylvie@icblcmc.org)

The ICBL-CMC Governance Board is comprised of the following organisations:

1. Action on Armed Violence - Katherine Harrison
2. Afghan Landmine Survivors Organisation - Sulaiman Aminy
3. Asociación para Políticas Públicas (Argentina) - Maria Pia Devoto
4. Ban Landmines Campaign Nepal - Purna Shova Chitrakar
5. Cambodia Campaign to Ban Landmines - Denise Coghlan
6. Campaña Colombiana Contra Minas - Alvaro Jimenez and Camilo Serna
7. Dan Church Aid - Richard MacCormac
8. Handicap International - Marion Libertucci (AC) and Bruno Leclercq
9. Human Rights Watch - Steve Goose (Chair/AC) and Mary Wareham
10. ICBL Georgia Committee - Maia Buchukuri
11. IPPNW - Robert Mtonga
12. Japan Campaign to Ban Landmines – Junko Utsumi and Toshi Shimizi
13. Mines Action Canada - Paul Hannon (AC)
14. Norwegian People’s Aid - Atle Karlsen (AC) and Eva Veble
15. IKV Pax Christi - Miriam Struyk (AC) and Roos Boer
16. Protection - Ayman Sorour (AC)
17. Religions for Peace - Ingrid Rosendorf Joys

For the staff list, please see:

- ICBL - <http://www.icbl.org/index.php/icbl/About-Us/GB-AC-Staff>
- CMC - <http://www.stopclustermunitions.org/the-coalition/staff/>

More information is available on the Governance section of the websites:

- ICBL - [http://www.icbl.org/index.php/icbl/About-Us/GB-AC-Staff/GB\\_TOR](http://www.icbl.org/index.php/icbl/About-Us/GB-AC-Staff/GB_TOR)
- CMC - <http://www.stopclustermunitions.org/the-coalition/governance/>