

## Boka Free of Toxic Waste

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### SECOND PHASE OF MONTENEGRO DEMILITARISATION MONDEM PROGRAMME ENDED

Podgorica – Hundreds thousands litres of toxic propellant fuel and tonnes of Napalm, key component of air-bombs, were removed from Boka Kotorska Bay, actually peninsula Lustica – it was stated yesterday on the occasion of termination of the second phase of Montenegro Demilitarisation Programme, MONDEM. Representatives of the Ministry of Defense, Embassy of the Netherlands, the OSCE and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) evaluated yesterday that a joint project “Disposal of Hazardous Toxic Waste” was realised successfully so that hazardous substances were removed from military depot in Pristan near Tivat.

It was decanted and neutralised by the Swedish firm “SAKAB” and then shipped from the Port of Bar to Gothenburg, Sweden, where, under the supervisory of MONDEM team, the final disposal will be in process during this week in facilities of that company.

Around 102,306 litres of hazardous toxic waste will be destroyed, of which 47,226litres of liquid propellant fuel and 55,080litres of oxidiser for rockets, as well as 25,84tonnes of Napalm that used to present a large humanitarian and environmental threat.

After cutting of T-55 type guns, solving of toxic military waste is the second successfully realised project of MONDEM, which is jointly realised by the Ministry of Defense, the OSCE and the UNDP.

The Minister of Defense, Mr. Boro Vucinic, said that the aim of the project was achieved – disposal of hazardous toxic waste in a safe, efficient and effective way.

-Destruction of hazardous chemical substances does not only contribute to increase of security but also to quality of the environment, which represents good base for economic development of Montenegro - said Mr. Vucinic.

Project of destruction of hazardous toxic waste was financed by the Government of the Netherlands with 615.600 USD and Ambassador of that country, H.E. Mr Ronald J. P. M. Van Dartel, said that 1,3mln euros were already appropriated as an aid to MONDEM Programme.

He said that there are still large stockpiles of conventional armament and ammunition, which is a serious threat to security of citizens.

We want to help in destruction of surplus of killing means and it should be done as soon as possible, because delaying or waiting may only enlarge risk and price – said Mr. Dartel.

H.E. Paraschiva Badescu, Head of the OSCE Mission to Montenegro, evaluated yesterday that owing to the project “Disposal of hazardous toxic waste” a component of MONDEM Programme was realised efficiently, which is very important for Montenegro because big stockpiles of hazardous substances won't be at its territory anymore.

Mr. Alexander Avanesov, UNDP Resident Representative/UN Resident Coordinator to Montenegro, believes that efficient realisation of that project is, apart from security reasons, important for sustainable development of Montenegro.

He said that aim of the project was disposal of toxic waste in a safe and efficient way that complies with relevant EU standards.

-I am proud to say that we have achieved that aim – said Mr. Avanesov.

#### Started cutting of guns

With presence of MONDEM donors and representatives of the OSCE and the UNDP, one counter-armour gun was yesterday destroyed in Military Base “Milorad Saranovic” in Danilovgrad.

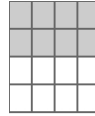
Destruction of ZIS type 76mm by method of cutting is an announcement of next project within the MONDEM which refers to destruction of heavy armament.

According to daily “Vijesti”, tender procedure for election of company which will do that job is in process

but also defining of list of surpluses of heavy armament which will be cut. It is expected that that MONDEM phase will start already at the end of this year.

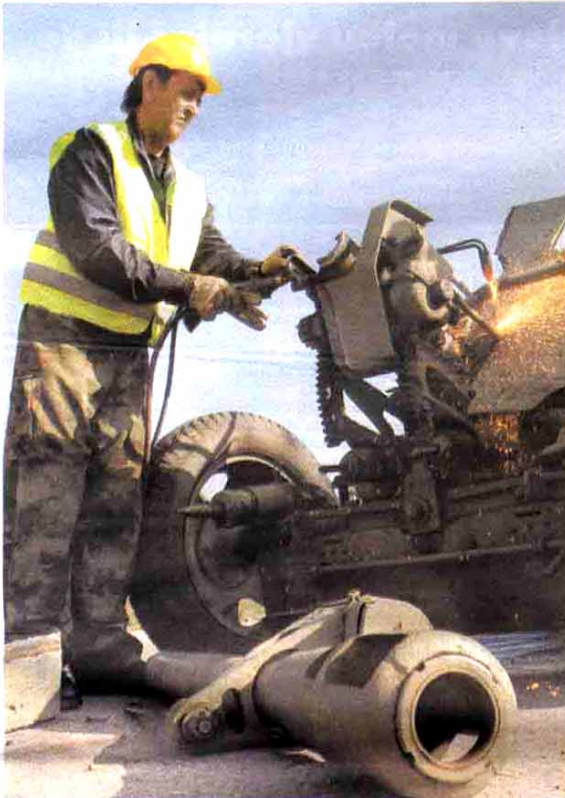
Among high officials, British Ambassador Kevin Lyne was also present yesterday in Danilovgrad, who has given keys of two military trucks to officials of the Army, which the Government of that country donated for needs of further realisation of MONDEM Programme.

Ambassador Lyne, who has yesterday driven one of trucks in military base in Danilovgrad, repeated that solving of surplus of armament is very important project for Montenegro. General Dragan Milosavljevic, Chief of Staff of the Army of Montenegro, thanked on donation and said that donation will be used for a specified purpose – transport of ammunition and military means.



ZAVRŠENA DRUGA FAZA MONDEM PROGRAMA ZA DEMILITARIZACIJU CRNE GORE

# Boka bez toksičnog otpada



Protivoklopni top uništen je juče u Danilovgradu

**Podgorica** – Iz Bokokotorskog zaliva, odnosno poluostrva Luštica uklonjeno je na stotine hiljada litara toksičnog goriva za rakete i na tone napalma, ključnog sastojka za avio-bombe – saopšteno je juče povodom završetka druge faze programa za demilitarizaciju Crne Gore, MONDEM.

Predstavnici Ministarstva odbrane, ambasade Holandije, OEBS-a i Programa za razvoj Ujedinjenih nacija (UNDP) ocijenili su juče da je zajednički projekat "Odlaganje opasnog toksičnog otpada" uspješno realizovan, te da su uklonjene opasne materije iz vojnog skladišta u Pristanu kod Tivta.

Svedska firma "SAKAB" ga je neutralisala i pretočila, a zatim brodom otpremila iz Luke Bar za Gotenburg u Svedskoj, gdje će uz nadzor MONDEM tima, tokom sljedeće sedmice biti završeno uništavanje u pogonima te kompanije.

Biće uništeno oko 102,306 litara toksičnog opasnog otpada, od čega 47,226 litara tečnog pogonskog goriva i 55,080 litara oksidatora za rakete, kao i 25,84 tona napalma, što je predstavljalo veliku prijetnju ljudima i životnoj sredini.

Rješavanje toksičnog vojnog otpada je nakon rezanja tenkova tipa T-55, drugi uspješno realizovani projekat MONDEM-a, koji zajedno realizuju ministarstva odbrane, OEBS i UNDP.

Ministar odbrane **Boro Vučinić** kazao je da je postignut cilj projekta – odlaganje opasnog toksičnog otpada na siguran, efikasan i djelotvoran način.

– Uništenje opasnih hemijskih materija ne doprinosi samo povećanju bezbjednosti, već i kvalitetu životne sredine, što pred-

## Počelo rezanje topova

U kasarni "Milorad Šaranović" Danilovgradu uz prisustvo donatora MONDEM-a i predstavnika OEBS-a i UNDP-a, juče je uništen i jedan protivoklopni top.

Uništavanje topa tipa ZIS 76 mm metodom rezanja najava je za sljedeći projekat u okviru MONDEM-a koji se odnosi na uništavanje teškog naoružanja.

Prema informacijama "Vijesti" u toku je tenderska procedura za izbor kompanije koje će raditi taj posao, ali i definisanje liste viškova teškog naoružanja koje će biti izrezano. Očekuje se da ta faza MONDEM-a počne već krajem ove godine.

Visokim zvaničnicima juče se u Danilovgradu pridružio i britanski ambasador **Kevin Lajn** koji je zvaničnicima Vojске predao ključeve dva vojna kamiona koje je vlada te zemlje donirala za potrebe dalje realizacije MONDEM programa.

Ambasador Lajn, koji je juče u kasarni u Danilovgradu i vozio jedan od kamiona, ponovio je da je rješavanje viška naoružanja veoma važan projekat za Crnu Goru. Na donaciji je zahvalio načelnik Štaba VCG general **Dragan Milosavljević**, koji je kazao da će se donacija koristiti namjenski – za prevoz municije i vojnih sredstava.

stavlja dobru osnovu za privredni razvoj Crne Gore – rekao je Vučinić.

Projekat uništavanja opasnog toksičnog otpada finansirala je Vlada Holandije sa 615.600 hiljada dolara, a ambasador te zemlje **Ronald van Dartel** kazao je da je, kao pomoć MONDEM programu, već izdvojeno 1,3 miliona eura.

On je naveo da u Crnoj Gori i dalje postoje ogromne količine zastarjelog naoružanja i municije, što predstavlja ozbiljnu prijetnju za bezbjednost stanovništva.

– Želimo da pomognemo da se uništi višak ubojnih sredstava, a to treba uraditi što je prije moguće, jer odlaganje ili čekanje samo mogu da povećaju rizik i cijenu – rekao je Dartel.

Šefica Misije OEBS-a **Paraskiva**

**Badesku** ocijenila je juče da je projekatom "Odlaganje opasnog toksičnog otpada" uspješno realizovana jedna komponenta MONDEM programa, što je jako važno za Crnu Goru, jer značajne količine opasnih materija više neće biti na njenom teritoriji.

Stalni predstavnik UNDP-a u Crnoj Gori **Aleksandar Avanesov** smatra da je uspješna realizacija tog projekta, osim iz bezbjednosnih razloga, važna i za održivi razvoj Crne Gore.

On je kazao da je cilj projekta bio odlaganje toksičnog otpada na bezbjedan i efikasan način, u skladu sa relevantnim EU standardima.

– Ponosno mogu da kažem da smo ostvarili taj cilj – rekao je Avanesov.

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