Mozambique. If we can continue our trajectory of growth, with another 2,000
progress at making many mine-impacted countries mine free – such as
Mozambique. Is it this good news? Yes, because we are making great
donors here today. Is this good news? Yes, because we are making great
Kosovo and Cambodia. Our funding is from virtually all the major mine action
deminers should be 9,436 by December this year as we expand in Afghanistan,
that’s 1.5 million mines that will never be trodden on and the number of HALO
territories, and last week we reached 1.5 million landmines safely destroyed,
neary 8,000 deminers working in 17 of the most mine-impacted and
HALO Trust to clear landmines. That was over 26 years ago. We now have
concepts called „humanitarian demining“ and established an NGO called The
Why is HALO continuing on this? In 1988, when the Russians were committed
why is HALO „aspiration“ not a bad thing.
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in 1997, but then be prepared to over-run after 28 years. Hopefully we are
this 2025 target. We find this strange, why sign to a 10 Year Treaty commitment
countries that signed the Mine Ban Treaty are now unhappy about aspiration to
mines by 2025 (seven years from now), but we also hear that some of the
We see that there is an intention and aspiration to complete all clearance of AP
MR President, Ladies and Gentlemen,

- A CHOICE.

CLEAR IN 10 YEARS FROM NOW, OR TREAD ON MINS FOR ANOTHER 28 YEARS

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and the tax paying public don’t want to see so many more years of unnecessary
survy, no one in this room wants that, surely the Presidents, Prime Ministers
are the added costs of slower clearance rates.
human and livestock casualties, thousands of hectares left uncultivated. These
clearance, but during the extended clearance years there will be thousands more
clearance costs of mine reincorporation. A few cleared per annum that means more years
hundreds, the Mahi on clearance rates – less money means less clearance means less.
and Zimbabwes 48 more years – all way beyond 2025. It is a simple case of
28 more years to clear instead of 10, Cambodia 10 years more years. Afghanistan 15
mine clearance to drop rather than endure by 2050-2070% than Angola will take
mine clearance – all of which are here today – allow funding levels of
mine action community (all of which are here today) allow funding levels of
But but, it is also very apparent to us, through our planning matrix, that if the
needed for each country for how many years and at what cost.
unknowns – we can see on our planning matrix how many clearance teams are
Humestad, we are now generally dealing with known unknowns, not unknown
clearance. HALO teams can do this, we really can. To borrow from Donald
then see HALO redeploying to Bosnia or other countries struggling with their
the West Bank, Armenia, Georgia, Sri Lanka, Somalia, and so on – and
Zimbabwes – and at the same time will see the clearance of all landmines in
most mined countries in the world – Afghanistan, Angola, Cambodia, Colombia
over the next 10 years (and HALO de-mining) if sustained at TT,500
deminers during 2015 spread across Angola, Zimbabwes and Colombias, then that
Thank you very much.

not happening.
crutches, for them, please go up-country again and see what is happening, and
prosthetics, or are carrying their own out of local wood, and making their own
something very tragic in meeting so many recent amputees who have no
Ministries of Health to re-focus back to your great work of 15 years ago. There is
months, to also mention a real need for the big victim assistance agencies and
And I feel obliged, on behalf of many mine victims that I have met in recent
no reason not to. Why not aspire to making landmines history?
death and disability. So why not sign up to the 2025 aspiration?