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**ASB SIGNED A NEW MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE CROATIAN  
CENTRE FOR DEMINING AT VALUE OF €533,473**

On 21 July 2011, the Office of the Arbeiter-Samariter-Bund (ASB) in the Republic of Croatia, represented by Mr. Wolfgang Raschka, Project Manager of ASB Croatia and the Croatian Centre for Demining (HCR), represented by Mr. Zdravko Modrušan, Director of HCR, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in Sisak in the presence of First Sergeant Željko Brnić, Deputy of the German Defense Attaché and Dr. Mirko Ivanušić, Deputy Director of HCR.

Based on this MoU, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany commits to provide € 480,125 for mine-clearance in Croatia in 2011, while ASB is donating € 53.348 from its own funds and will implement Humanitarian Mine-Clearance and Mine Survey of approx 462,000m<sup>2</sup> of mine-suspected areas in the counties of Sisačko - Moslavačka, Vukovarsko - Srijemska, Ličko – Senjska, Zadarska and Šibensko Kninska.

“Assisting Croatia in the solving of its mine problem still has a very high importance for the Federal Republic of Germany”, First Sergeant Željko Brnić explained, while Mr. Zdravko Modrušan and Wolfgang Raschka expressed their gratitude for the received donation and underlined the long lasting and very successful cooperation of HCR and ASB in their mutual mine action which by this year lasts for 10 years already. Dr. Mirko Ivanušić gave a general overview of the current mine situation in Croatia and informed on the currently ongoing demining and survey activities.

Since 2001 the German Government has donated € 7,657,775, including this year's contribution, for mine action in Croatia which was implemented by ASB. A total of 5,960,622 square meters of mine suspected and mine contaminated area was returned to the community.

Still land mines represent a threat to the local population, especially in areas, where people depend on agricultural activities as their main source of income and hamper an evenly distributed socio-economic development in the country. In a number of cases also so far unknown mine fields and newly discovered accumulations of cluster ammunition add to the known mine danger. ASB therefore identifies in close cooperation with HCR such projects which in the most adequate manner respond to the needs and constraints of the concerned population.

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