

DISABLE CLUSTER BOMBS.

NOT PEOPLE.

CLUSTER MUNITION COALITION

The Cluster Munition Coalition (CMC) is a network of around 200 civil society organizations from over 50 countries including NGOs, faith-based groups and professional organizations. Mines Action Canada was a founding member of the CMC in November 2003 and currently serves on its Steering Committee along with other international and national organizations including Human Rights Watch, the International Campaign to Ban Landmines, Landmine Action (UK), Norwegian People's Aid, Lebanon Landmine Resource Centre, Protection (Egypt), DanChurchAid (Denmark), International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (Russia), Pax Christi (Ireland & Netherlands).

The CMC's goal is to protect civilians from the effects of cluster munitions.

The CMC has three strategic objectives to achieve this goal:

1. To ensure the success of an international process establishing an effective prohibition on cluster munitions that cause unacceptable civilian harm.
2. To promote national measures that will reduce or eliminate civilian harm from cluster munitions in advance of an international process being completed.
3. To raise public awareness of civilian harm caused by cluster munitions and efforts made by civil society and concerned states to prevent this harm.

Members and individuals that support the CMC take part in a variety of activities around the world to achieve these goals, such as writing letters or emails to their representatives in government, organizing public meetings, debates, exhibitions and other events to raise awareness of the problem. They conduct research in places where cluster munitions have been used and meet with government officials and ministers to make the case against cluster munitions and urge them to take concrete action and join the process to ban these indiscriminate weapons. They take part in the process by attending international meetings and lobbying their governments there.

Above all, the CMC is a group of people committed to the protection of civilians in armed conflict and to democratic processes to promote human security. CMC members stand for justice, international law, human security and human rights.

For more information, please visit www.stopclustermunitions.org.