Red Cross team tackles cluster bombs (Canada)
(04.08.2008)
Young volunteers want to make a difference in humanitarian causes weiterlesen >>>

Turkey clears land mines along Syrian border (Turkey)
(04.08.2008)
Mine clearing around a southeastern Turkish town to enable the opening of a new border crossing with Syria has been completed, an executive of the company in charge of the project said on Friday. weiterlesen >>>

AU Condemns Killing of Amison Peacekeeper By Anti-Personnel Mine (Ethiopia)
(04.08.2008)
The African Union has today lost one of its peacekeepers killed in the explosion of an anti-personnel mine planted and triggered by insurgent elements opposed to peace and stability in Somalia. weiterlesen >>>

Finnish Defence Forces to begin replacing anti-personnel mines (Finland)
(04.08.2008)
The Finnish finance ministry's budget proposal, published in its entirety on Friday, includes a 14 million euro allowance for the Finnish Defence Forces to start replacing anti-personnel mines next year. weiterlesen >>>

Explosive Disposal Experts Say Kosovo to Be Clear of Mines By 2013 (Kosovo)
(04.08.2008)
In the last eight years, more than 600 people have had land mine accidents. At least 112 of these accidents have been fatal while more than 400 people have lost limbs. The last accident occurred 1 April in Hariliq [Ariljaca], near the Prishtina airport, where a villager was killed while searching for scrap metal to sell. The most recent mine was found earlier this week. weiterlesen >>>

Iraqi Kurdish Paper Says Turkish Military Bases Inside Kurdistan Region (Iraq)
(04.08.2008)
The number of Turkish military personnel inside KRG [Kurdistan Regional Government] territory has reached 3,235, which include officers and soldiers. Moreover, they have the following equipment at their disposal: 58 tanks, 27 armoured vehicles, 31 artillery, 26 mortars, 17 RPGs [rocket-propelled grenades], 10 Doska guns [12.7 mm machine-gun], 40 military vehicles, 13 BKC [7.62 mm calibre machine-gun], two pairs of night vision binoculars, three tripod binoculars, 10 sniper rifles, 1 Atar bomb, four satellite mobiles, two Rangefinder, two Cranes and an advanced sound silencing device. weiterlesen >>>

Thompson Files: Fuzed weapons are good (USA)
(04.08.2008)
U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert Gates recently approved a new policy to reduce the danger that cluster bombs pose to non-combatants by setting a timetable for phasing out unreliable munitions and using only systems that detonate or go dormant quickly. Unfortunately, by the time the new policy became public, the world community was well on its way to signing a treaty on cluster munitions that could have the unintended effect of killing civilians rather than protecting them. weiterlesen >>>

Valley group helps educate people, remove land mines from areas of conflict (USA)
(03.08.2008)
The land mines they defused and removed from war-torn regions of Southeast Asia lie like specimens on display thousands of miles away in a cramped, fifth-story office in the San Fernando Valley. weiterlesen >>>

Streubomben und Punkt-Ziel-Munition (Deutschland)
(03.08.2008)
Der Rüstungskonzern Diehl und das Bundesverteidigungsministerium sind sich einig: Die Munition "Smart-155" ist keine Streumunition. Insofern nimmt unsere Redaktion die am 25. Juli gemachte Behauptung, dass die Nürnberger Unternehmensgruppe Diehl unter anderem Streumunition produziere, zurück. weiterlesen >>>

Experten warnen vor Blindgängern unter Tegel (Deutschland)
(03.08.2008)

Mindestens zehn Tote bei Anschlag (Afghanistan)
(02.08.2008)
Im Süden Afghanistan sterben mindestens zehn Personen einer Hochzeitgesellschaft. Die Polizei macht die radikalislamische Taliban für den Anschlag verantwortlich. weiterlesen >>>

UPDATE 1-BAE Systems H1 earnings up 26 pct, upbeat on year (UK)
(01.08.2008)
LONDON, Aug 1 (Reuters) - BAE Systems, Europe's biggest defence company, posted a 26 percent rise in first-half earnings on Friday and said its full-year results would benefit from strong demand for armoured wheeled vehicles. weiterlesen >>>

Last cluster bombs destroyed in Lebanon with Saudi aid (Lebanon, Israel)
(01.08.2008)
Beirut: The last cluster bombs planted by Israel in the July 2006 war with Hezbollah were destroyed Wednesday with financing from Saudi Arabia. weiterlesen >>>
At least 33 killed in Somalia clashes (Somalia, Ethiopia)
(01.08.2008)
At least 33 Ethiopian soldiers have been killed and about 11 others injured as Islamic Jihad of Somalia attacked an Ethiopian convoy. weiterlesen >>>

Troops in Bunker Attacks, Confrontations & Ambush Strike More Terrorists (Sri Lanka)
(01.08.2008)
In NEDUNKERNI, NAUVI and PERYAMADU three explosions caused by anti personnel mines injured three soldiers. Likewise, explosion of an IED and an anti personnel mine in SULTHANKULAM and MUNDALPALLI areas in MANNAR wounded three more soldiers. Similarly, during clashes in the north of KIRIBBANWEWA five soldiers received injuries. weiterlesen >>>

Myanmar warns against more bomb attacks (Myanmar)
(01.08.2008)
The Myanmar authorities warned on Friday against more bomb attacks following Wednesday's mine explosion in northeastern Kayin state and urging people in the country to remain vigilant against more such probability, official media reported. weiterlesen >>>

Blast Injures Six Policemen in S.Ossetia (Georgia)
(01.08.2008)
Six Georgian policemen were injured, one severely, after their vehicle hit a mine in the South Ossetian conflict zone on August 1, Georgian media sources reported. weiterlesen >>>

Taktisches Schweigen (Deutschland, Afghanistan)
(01.08.2008)
Als Anfang Juli bekannt wurde, dass sich die Nato-Führung in Afghanistan für Awacs-Maschinen mit deutschen Besatzungen interessiert, wiegelte die Bundesregierung ab. Es sei noch keine offizielle Anfrage erfolgt. Diese liegt jetzt vor und das Verteidigungsministerium wusste schon im März von der wahrscheinlichen Anfrage. weiterlesen >>>

BAE verdient gut dank Rüstungsaufträgen für Afghanistan und Irak (UK, Afghanistan, Irak)
(01.08.2008)
Der Rüstungskonzern BAE Systems(BAES.L: Kurs) hat dank Aufträgen der britischen und amerikanischen Streitkräfte für die Kriege im Irak und Afghanistan Gewinn und Umsatz deutlich gesteigert. weiterlesen >>>

Georgian policemen wounded (Georgia)
(01.08.2008)
A car of the Georgian law enforcers has exploded on a mine. weiterlesen >>>

Explosive disposal experts say Kosovo to be clear of mines by 2013 (Republic Of Kosovo)
(31.07.2008)
Nita Vula walked towards her supervisor, arm outstretched, with a smile across her face. A spider bite had just caused her hand to swell to nearly double its normal size, but she was not worried. The bite was nothing compared to the dangers she faces every day at her job. Vula is the only female de-miner that works in the Civil Protection Brigade (CPB) division of the Kosovo Protection Corps (TMK). weiterlesen >>>

Belgian troops carry out key development projects in South (Lebanon)
(31.07.2008)
Beirut -- SOUTH LEBANON: The Belgian battalion of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) is playing an important humanitarian and developmental role in its area of operation, in addition to its main peacekeeping role which consists of implementing UN Resolution 1701, Commander Mike Troch told The Daily Star on Thursday. weiterlesen >>>

Forced internal displacement overwhelming capacity to respond (Colombia)
(31.07.2008)
Increasing numbers of Colombians are fleeing their homes in several regions of the country and continue to face serious vulnerability. weiterlesen >>>

UN Confirms DM Charge on INGO Vehicles in LTTE Hands (Sri Lanka, Norway)
(31.07.2008)
UN AGENCIES In Sri Lanka have strongly condemned the forced removal of NPA (Norwegian Peoples Aid) assets and the intimidation of its staff after the Defence Ministry alleged the LTTE had commandeered nine heavy vehicles belonging to the INGO. weiterlesen >>>

Thailand, Cambodia to follow up 'success' (Thailand, Cambodia)
(31.07.2008)
The National Security Council (NSC) is to meet with other agencies to follow up on agreements made at the assembly in Siem Reap on the border conflict between Thailand and Cambodia. weiterlesen >>>

Wanni liberating operation continues; 5 terrorists killed, 22 wounded in yesterday's clashes (Sri Lanka)
(31.07.2008)
Troops engaged in counter terrorist offensive operation in Wanni theatre of battle killed 5 LTTE terrorists and injured 11 others in series of clashes took place in yesterday, July 30, the finalized military report received from the battlefront said. 11 more terrorists reportedly either killed or wounded. An army soldier has laid his life for the sake of motherland while 11 others received injuries. weiterlesen >>>

Vier Verletzte bei Explosion auf A1 (Deutschland)
Mine blast injures three soldiers in S Turkey (Turkey)
(30.07.2008)
A mine blast injured three soldiers of the Turkish security forces in the southern province of Osmaniye on Wednesday, the semi-official Anatolia news agency reported. weiterlesen >>>

Proliferation of Armed Groups Wreaking Havoc in Rural Colombia (Colombia)
(30.07.2008)
Hundreds of Thousands of People Forced from their Land; Government Agencies too Overwhelmed to Respond weiterlesen >>>

Nato-Pläne seit März bekannt (Deutschland, Afghanistan)
(30.07.2008)
Seit März weiß die Regierung von Beratungen der Nato, Awacs-Aufklärungsflugzeuge über Afghanistan einzusetzen. Es habe aber keine "belastbaren Fakten" gegeben, so ein Sprecher des Verteidigungsministeriums. weiterlesen >>>

Teenager explodes on antipersonnel mine (Georgia)
(30.07.2008)
Doctors were forced to amputate the youngster's leg weiterlesen >>>

Gas pipeline blown up (Pakistan)
(29.07.2008)
QUETTA, July 29: A main pipeline supplying gas to the Pir Koh plant from the Loći gas field was blown up on Tuesday. weiterlesen >>>

UN aims to have historic Afghan city of Bamiyan mine-free by October (Afghanistan)
(29.07.2008)
29 July 2008 ' The United Nations Mine Action Centre for Afghanistan (UNMACA) has announced plans to clear a total of 1,800,000 square metres of land in the historic city of Bamiyan that is contaminated with mines and unexploded ordinance (UXOs) by October. weiterlesen >>>

Mine Blast Kills 17-Year-Old Girl in ex-Russian Military Unit (Georgia)
(29.07.2008)
An antipersonnel mine blast killed a 17-year-old girl in Sagarejo, Khataeli province of Georgia. She was picking berries in an ex-USSR military unit. weiterlesen >>>

Thailand defensive as Cambodia acts tough (Thailand/Cambodia)
(29.07.2008)
New Thai Foreign Minister Tej Bunnag was appointed to his post on Saturday, took his oath of office on Sunday, and was in urgent talks in Cambodia by Monday. weiterlesen >>>

New Human Rights Chief Faces Daunting Task
(29.07.2008)
United Nations, 29 July, (IPS): Mary Robinson, a former U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights (HCHR), who faulted countries such as the United States, China and Israel for transgressions of humanitarian law and civil liberties, was forced to retire after a 12-month renewal of her four-year contract because of intense lobbying against an extended tenure for her. weiterlesen >>>

Historic City Of Bamyan To Be Cleared Of All Mines (Afghanistan)
(29.07.2008)
The historic city of Bamyan will be cleared of landmines by October this year. A total of 1800 000 square metres of land contaminated with mines and Unexploded Ordinance (UXOs) will be cleared except for four sites which have been declared as cultural heritage sites by UNESCO and need to be cleared with the cooperation of archaeologists. weiterlesen >>>

Troops to withdraw from disputed area (Cambodia, Thailand)
(29.07.2008)
SIEM REAP : Thailand and Cambodia will soon withdraw their troops from the disputed area near the Preah Vihear temple to end the border row which erupted after the temple was listed as a World Heritage site, Cambodian Foreign Minister Hor Namhong said yesterday. weiterlesen >>>

AWACS-Anfrage für Afghanistan erreicht Bundestag (Deutschland, Afghanistan)
(29.07.2008)

Bundestags-Obleute über AWACS-Anfrage der NATO informiert (Deutschland, Afghanistan)
(29.07.2008)
Berlin (dpa) - Die Bundesregierung hat die Außen- und Verteidigungsexperten im Bundestag über die NATO- Anfrage für einen möglichen Einsatz von AWACS-Aufklärungsflugzeugen über Afghanistan informiert. weiterlesen >>>

Bombe neben der Landebahn (Deutschland)
(28.07.2008)
Brisante Funde auf dem Giebelstadter Flugplatz: Blindgänger entschärft weiterlesen >>>

Not even a rehab center for mine victims ' Zaman (Turkey)
(28.07.2008)
Civilians who lose a limb to a mine explosion suffer trauma and do not receive psychological help, daily Zaman reported yesterday. weiterlesen >>>

Lighter MRAPs in the works (USA)
Some of the Pentagon's final batch of Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicles could be several tons lighter and one or two feet shorter in length - an effort to reduce deadly rollovers and increase mobility, a senior Pentagon official said. weiterlesen >>>

**Streubomben und Verdienstorden (Deutschland)**

(28.07.2008)

Verdienstorden und Streubomben“ unter dieser Überschrift hat unsere Redaktion am 25. Juli eine Kolumne veröffentlicht, die auf unerwartetes Echo stoßen sollte. weiterlesen >>>

**Armed violence and humanitarian action in urban areas (World)**

(28.07.2008)

Mogadishu, Grozny, Kabul and Baghdad have all been affected by the violence of an armed conflict at one time or another. For humanitarian organizations, which often work more in rural areas, these places present particular challenges. weiterlesen >>>

**LTTE vehicles connected Norwegian NGO in the past delivered arms to insurgents (Norway, Sudan, Sri Lanka)**

(28.07.2008)

Property belonging to Norwegian People's Aid - One of Norway's biggest non-government organizations which was accused of secretly smuggling in weapons for at least another insurgency in Sudan in the past - is being used by the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) for its military activities, Sri Lanka's Ministry of Defense charged. weiterlesen >>>

**Mine blast kills 3 civilians in southeastern Turkey (Turkey)**

(28.07.2008)

Three people died on Sunday when a landmine, planted by the outlawed PKK, exploded when the truck they were traveling in passed by it in Semdinli town in the southeastern province of Hakkari, the Anatolian Agency reported. weiterlesen >>>

**In hospital, soldier wakes, says he wants to re-enlist (Iraq)**

(28.07.2008)

Sgt. Daryl Williams is brave, has a keen eye for detail and doesn't leave things until the last minute. The Long Island, Va., native is recuperating at the post from wounds suffered in Iraq. weiterlesen >>>

**Istanbul blasts kill 15, injure 154 (Turkey)**

(28.07.2008)

ISTANBUL -- Two bombs exploded minutes apart in a packed Istanbul square yesterday, killing 15 and injuring more than 150 in what the city's governor said was a terrorist attack. weiterlesen >>>

**LTTE used notorious Norwegian NGO's vehicles for military activities (Norway, Sri Lanka)**

(28.07.2008)

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**Turkey links bombings to rebel Kurds (Turkey)**

(28.07.2008)

ISTANBUL, Turkey - Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan served as a pallbearer at a funeral Monday for some of the 17 people killed by bombs in Turkey's biggest city, an attack the government blamed on Kurdish rebels who have targeted civilians in the past. weiterlesen >>>

**Die Chance auf ein zweites Leben (Deutschland, Angola)**

(28.07.2008)

Im Hünfelder Krankenhaus werden zwei schwer verletzte Jungen aus Angola behandelt. weiterlesen >>>

**Anti-personnel mine found in Georgian town near South Ossetia (Georgia)**

(27.07.2008)

An anti-personnel mine has been discovered in Gori [Georgian town south of the South Ossetia conflict zone]. weiterlesen >>>

**Bombs and death threats: dissidents step up efforts to derail power-sharing: Landmine was aimed at killing police officers Security fears at level of 1998, year of Omagh bomb (Ireland)**

(27.07.2008)

It was a huge landmine with a substantial amount of homemade explosive that lacked one critical element - a plastic explosive booster such as Semtex. The device, used by insurgent groups across the world from Helmand province in Afghanistan to southern Iraq, was designed to kill two police officers in Co Fermanagh who had been lured into the area. But the men survived because a commercial detonator only partly triggered the mine. Had it been set off by something as effective as Semtex, both officers would have been killed, security sources say. weiterlesen >>>

**Over 2,000 Explosive Devices Destroyed in Bie (Angola)**

(27.07.2008)

At least 2,674 non-detonated explosive devices were destroyed in the southern Bie province, by the British NGO The HALO Trust, during the first half of 2008. weiterlesen >>>

**Turkish Planes Reportedly Bombard Iraqi Kurdistan With "Cluster Bombs" (Turkey, Israel)**

(27.07.2008)

Turkish planes have bombarded Qandil area with "cluster bombs" following "Israeli spy planes' sorties over the area" in the past week, Brussels-based Kurdish Roj TV reported. weiterlesen >>>

**Die Tabakpflanze wird zum Landminen-Detektor (Südafrika)**

(27.07.2008)

Bärtter reagieren auf Stickstoffdioxid und werden rot - Dänische Firma testet genetisch modifizierte Pflanzen in Feldversuch in Südafrika weiterlesen >>>

**U.S. Campaign to Ban Landmines; Pentagon's 'New' Cluster Bomb Policy Treads Water (USA)**

(26.07.2008)

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The Pentagon announced that the U.S. military would continue to use and export even the most unreliable cluster bombs over the next decade. This policy decision comes shortly after 111 countries, including major NATO allies, agreed to a global treaty banning cluster bombs.

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**UNOG: Further progress made towards a new protocol on cluster munitions**

(26.07.2008)

International negotiations to address the humanitarian challenges posed by cluster munitions made further progress this month as the Group of Governmental Experts to the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (CCW) concluded its third 2008 Session today at the Palais des Nations in Geneva.

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**Clearing Landmines From The Air (USA)**

(26.07.2008)

The U.S. Army has developed a sensor/software device called ASTAMIDS (Airborne Surveillance, Target Acquisition and Minefield Detection System) that enables helicopters or UAVs to spot minefields, and warn approaching troops.

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**China donates 100,000 USD for clearing land mines on Peru-Ecuador border**

(25.07.2008)

China donated 100,000 U.S. dollars for Peru to clear anti-personnel land mines in the border zone between Peru and Ecuador, the Peruvian Foreign Ministry said Friday.

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**Soldier killed after Danish tank hits mine**

(25.07.2008)

A Danish soldier serving with NATO-led forces in Afghanistan was killed and three others were wounded when their tank was damaged in a roadside blast, military officials said Friday.

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**Thai landmine clearing operation near Preah Vihear**

(24.07.2008)

A tragedy earlier this month when a Thai soldier on patrol stepped on a landmine near the Preah Vihear temple, has prompted Thai authorities to conduct mine clearance operations on the Thai-Cambodian border. It seems like a never-ending job for them. Let's find out more details in this report from the Thai News Agency.

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**Somalia: Puntland authorities destroy anti-personnel mines**

(24.07.2008)

Geneva/Garowe, 24 July 2008 - On 24 July 2008, the Puntland Mine Action Centre (PMAC), with technical support from Mines Advisory Group (MAG), destroyed 48 stockpiled antipersonnel (AP) mines near Garowe, in accordance with the Geneva Call.

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**NZ Coalition Condemns New US Cluster Bomb Policy. Calls on U.S. Secretary Rice to Ban these Weapons**

(24.07.2008)

Wellington, 25 July 2008 - In a letter delivered to U.S. Ambassador William McCormick, ahead of the New Zealand visit by U.S. Secretary of State Dr. Condoleezza Rice, the Aotearoa New Zealand Cluster Munition Coalition has condemned new US policy on cluster bombs and called on the United States to join the Convention on Cluster Munitions.

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**Village official killed, three police wounded in Philippine attack**

(24.07.2008)

Manila - A village official was killed and three police wounded Thursday in a landmine explosion as they responded to an attack by communist rebels on a banana plantation in the southern Philippines, a military spokesman said.

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**Nearly 15K mine-resistant vehicles to be built**

(23.07.2008)

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**Military chief proposes indefinite ceasefire with Reds**

(23.07.2008)

ARMED Forces Chief Alexander Yano on Thursday proposed an indefinite ceasefire agreement with the communist movement to pave the way for the resumption of formal peace negotiations.

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**Burma's Disposable Soldiers**

(23.07.2008)

A morning breeze cools a perspiring Zaw Moe as he walks through a residential neighborhood in the outskirts of Rangoon with a pile of books in his arms.

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**Taiwan testing smart bomb that could destroy Chinese runways**

(23.07.2008)

Taipei - Taiwan's military said Thursday it is testing a smart bomb that could destroy the runways of air bases along the south-east coast of China.
Cluster bombs go off in forest blaze (Lebanon) (23.07.2008)
BEIRUT: Firemen battled a forest fire in Lebanon yesterday, amid exploding cluster bombs and the danger of mines left over from the country's 1975-1990 civil war, a civil defence official said. weiterlesen >>>

Foreign forces kill nine Afghan policemen in west, says official (Afghanistan) (23.07.2008)
KABUL, Afghanistan (Agencies): Nato said Sunday that its forces accidentally killed at least four civilians in eastern Afghanistan, while an official in the nation's west said foreign troops used air strikes against Afghan police, killing nine. weiterlesen >>>

Research to start to curb landmines injuries (23.07.2008)
In what could be a major breakthrough in combating landmine injuries and deaths in conflict zones, local scientists have helped develop genetically modified tobacco plants so that their leaves turn red when grown near minefields. weiterlesen >>>

Record number of landmines cleared: Reza (Afghanistan) (23.07.2008)
KABUL: More than 38,000 anti-personnel mines have been cleared across Afghanistan in the last six months. weiterlesen >>>

Sudan: Historic clearance of Kapoeta minefield completed (Sudan) (23.07.2008)
MAG has completed clearance of the deadly barrier minefield, which for many years has surrounded the town of Kapoeta in Eastern Equatoria and threatened the lives of its residents. weiterlesen >>>

Website reports blast in southern Russia (Russia) (22.07.2008)
Our correspondent has managed to locate the explosion which occurred in the village of Surkhakhi in Nazranovsky District in the early morning of 22 July. weiterlesen >>>

Britischer Soldat stirbt bei Anschlag in Afghanistan (GB/Afghanistan) (22.07.2008)
London (Reuters) - Bei einem Angriff auf eine britische Militärpatrouille ist im Süden Afghanistans nach offiziellen Angaben ein Soldat getötet worden. weiterlesen >>>

Dänen modell Tabakpflanze zu Minendetektor um (Dänemark/Südafrika) (22.07.2008)
Eine dänische Biotechfirma hat Tabakpflanzen gentechnisch so verändert, dass sie verborgene Landminen im Boden aufspüren können. weiterlesen >>>

Two-thirds of Afghanistan cleared of landmines: UN. (Afghanistan) (22.07.2008)
Two-thirds of Afghanistan, one of the most mined countries in the world, has been cleared of landminesbut millions of its people still live on mined land, the United Nations said today. weiterlesen >>>

Russian mine clearers to disable NATO bombs in Serbia (Serbia) (22.07.2008)
Russian mine clearing specialists will fly to Serbia on Wednesday to clear unexploded bombs dropped by NATO warplanes in 1999, the Russian Emergencies Ministry said on Wednesday. weiterlesen >>>

KABUL (Xinhua) -- The UN-backed de-mining agency Mine Action Program for Afghanistan (MAPA) has cleaned up more than 6.5 million square meters of land from explosive devices over the past six months in Afghanistan, director of the agency Haider Reza said Monday. weiterlesen >>>

LETTER TO EDITOR: Israel and Hezbollah (Israel) (22.07.2008)
Israeli soldiers lower the coffin of Eldad Regev, one of the two soldiers returned in a prisoner exchange with Lebanon's Hezbollah guerrillas into his grave during his funeral at a military cemetery in Haifa, northern Israel, Thursday, July 17, 2008. The prisoner exchange with Hezbollah closed a painful chapter from Israel's 2006 war against the militant group, which began after Lebanese guerrillas kidnapped the two soldiers in a cross-border raid. (AP Photo/Ariel Schalit) weiterlesen >>>

Super-tobacco sees red at land mines (South Africa) (22.07.2008)
CAPE TOWN - Scientists from the University of Stellenbosch have teamed up with Danish biotechnology firm Aresa to test a genetically engineered tobacco plant that turns red when it grows near land mines, offering hope of a cheap way to help clear fields in post-conflict zones. weiterlesen >>>

Fire rages amid cluster bombs and mines (Lebanon) (22.07.2008)
Firemen fought a forest fire east of Lebanon on Monday, amid exploding cluster bombs left over from the Hezbollah-Israel war and landmines placed during the Lebanese civil war. The mountainous Bmikin region where the fire broke out was the site of the front line of the civil war that took place between 1975 and 1990. weiterlesen >>>

UM's "Bee Whisperer" Tells of Honeybees' Military Potential (USA) (22.07.2008)
The U.S. Army is collaborating with honeybees, via Scott Debnam and other researchers working on the University of Montana Bee Project. weiterlesen >>>

U.S. Campaign to Ban Landmines; Pentagon's 'New' Cluster Bomb Policy Treads Water (USA) (21.07.2008)
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Germany donates EUR 800,000 for mine removal in Croatia (Croatia/ Germany)  
(21.07.2008)
The Croatian Mine Action Centre (HCR) and the German humanitarian organisation ASB in Sisak on Tuesday signed a memorandum of understanding under which the German government will allocate EUR 800,000 for humanitarian mine removal in Croatia. weiterlesen >>>

War's Terrible Impact Upon the Environment (Bosnia-Hercegovina)  
(21.07.2008)
War, and the lack of ameliorative governmental action, are huge barriers to a cleaner, more healthy environment which extends beyond flora and fauna, animals all the way to humans. One example of war's devastating effects on a country is in the Former Yugoslavia in Bosnia-Hercegovina where the war years of 1992-1995 saw massive death and destruction not only of cultural and human elements but of the physical environment as well. weiterlesen >>>

Elf Sicherheitskräfte durch Bombe getötet (Kaschmir, Indien)  
(21.07.2008)
Landmine unter Armeekonvoi explodiert weiterlesen >>>

B-52 bomber carrying 6 crashes off Guam (Hawaii)  
(21.07.2008)
Honolulu (AP): An Air Force B-52 bomber carrying six crew members and en route to conduct a flyover in a parade crashed off the island of Guam, officials said. weiterlesen >>>

Nine LTTE terrorists killed & two wounded (Sri Lanka)  
(21.07.2008)
Two Army soldier were wounded in Anti Personnel mine explosions in PANDYANKULAM East area around 6.50 a.m. and 10.50 a.m. yesterday (20). weiterlesen >>>

How Big Is China's Debt? (China)  
(21.07.2008)
China's hidden debt obligations could be a big problem. weiterlesen >>>

Orissa CM meets relatives of Maoist attack victims (India)  
(21.07.2008)
Malkangiri (Orissa): Orissa Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik visited Malkangiri District on Sunday to console survivors and relatives of dead victims of a Maoist attack. At least 24 policemen died in a landmine blast. weiterlesen >>>

Army officer among eight killed in held Kashmir (India)  
(21.07.2008)
HELD SRINAGAR: Two Indian soldiers, including an officer, and four suspected militants were killed in separate gun battles in held Kashmir, while two others died in a grenade attack, the army said on Sunday. weiterlesen >>>

Politics should not derail peace process: Advani (India)  
(21.07.2008)
New Delhi: Pakistan's Foreign Secretary Salman Bashir met Indian opposition leader Lal Kishan Advani on Sunday ahead of a two-day dialogue on confidence-building measures (CBMs) with his Indian counterpart Shivshankar Menon. weiterlesen >>>

Nine soldiers killed in Kashmir explosion (India)  
(21.07.2008)
At least nine Indian soldiers were killed and 16 wounded yesterday when their vehicle detonated a landmine in the biggest attack on Indian soldiers in recent months. weiterlesen >>>