



REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

Confidence Building Measure Return covering 2021

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction

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Declaration form on Nothing to Declare or
Nothing New to Declare for use in the Information Exchange

Measure	Nothing to declare	Nothing new to declare	Year of last declaration if nothing new to declare
A, part 1		x	2021
A, part 2 (i)		x	2021
A, part 2 (ii)		x	2021
F		x	2021

Date: **15th April 2022**

State Party to the Convention: **REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA**

Date of ratification/accession to the Convention:

Moldova joined the BTWC on 5th November 2004, which entered into force for our country on 28 January 2005.

National Point of Contact:

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Report of the Republic of Moldova to the United Nations

Department for Disarmament Affairs

Pursuant to the procedural modalities agreed upon in April 1987 at the "Ad Hoc Meeting of Scientific and Technical Experts for STATES Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction," the Republic of Moldova submits the following information under Article V of the Convention:

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Exchange of data on research centers and laboratories

Form A - Part 1 (ii)

The highest biosafety level facility on the Republic of Moldova's territory are:

Biosafety Level 3	Yes	National Center for Public Health, Ministry of Health
Biosafety level 2	Yes	Republican Center for Veterinary Diagnostics, Ministry of Agriculture

Any additional relevant information as appropriate:

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Form A – Part 2 (i)

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Exchange of information on national biological defense research and development programmers Declaration

CBM

A

According to the International Sanitary Regulation in the Republic of Moldova, approved by the Government Decision no. 475 of 26.03.2008 "On the approval of the Action Plan on the implementation of the International Sanitary Regulation in the Republic of Moldova" and the Government Decision No. 531 of 03.07.2014 "On the actions to implement the International Sanitary Regulation in the prevention of cross-border transmission of hazards to public health ", the General Inspectorate of the Border Police represents the first line competent authority on maintaining and strengthening the main capacities at the state border. In this context, at the BCPs, certain situations may occur, which require a series of necessary measures regarding the directed interventions, oriented towards the detection, notification and execution of measures to respond to the risks and emergencies with negative impact on the passengers, the traffic of goods and public health

Are there any national programmers to conduct biological defense research and development within the territory of the State Party, under its jurisdiction or control anywhere? Activities of such programmers would include prophylaxis, studies on pathogenicity and virulence, diagnostic techniques, aerobiology, detection, treatment, toxicology, physical protection, decontamination and other related research.

Yes

If the answer is Yes, complete Form A, part 2 (ii) which will provide a description of each programmer

Form A – Part 2 (ii)

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Exchange of information on national biological defense research and development programmers description

State the objectives and funding of the programmer and summarize the principal research and development activities conducted in the programmer. Areas to be addressed shall include: prophylaxis, studies on pathogenicity and virulence, diagnostic techniques, aerobiology, detection, treatment, toxicology, physical protection, decontamination, and other related research.

Nothing new to declare than in Confidence Building Measure Return covering 2016 submitted by the Republic of Moldova in year 2017

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Form A – Part 2 (iii)

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Exchange of information on national biological defense research and development programmers facilities**

Nothing new to declare than in the Confidence Building Measure Return covering 2015 submitted by the Republic of Moldova in year 2016, with exception on:

(vii) What are the funding levels for the following programmer area

Research **40,000 USA \$**

(IX) Provide a list of publicly-available papers and reports resulting from the work published during the previous 12 months. (To include authors, titles and full references.)

Form B

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Exchange of Information on Outbreaks of Infectious Diseases and Similar Occurrences Caused by Toxins**

CBMB

Currently, the General Inspectorate of Border Police carries out information exchange with the National Public Health Agency of the Republic of Moldova, in order to prevent the cross-border transmission of outbreaks of infectious diseases, by monitoring, notifying, mitigation measures and timely response. At the same time, is carried out the implementation of the "Algorithm of standard operating procedures, to prevent the cross-border transmission of hazards to public health", approved by Order no.163 from 07.11.2014 of the Head of Border Police Department. This algorithm is implemented at national and regional levels by four national authorities (Border Police, National Center for Public Health, Customs Service and the Institute of Emergency Medicine). Subsequently, Border Police has developed and implemented the "Standard Operating Procedure applied at state border crossing points to combat the spread of COVID-19 pandemic"

Exchange of information on outbreaks of infectious diseases and similar occurrences caused by toxins, and on all such events that seem to deviate from the normal pattern as regards type, development, place, or time of occurrence. The

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Form B (i)

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Background Information on Outbreaks of Reportable Infectious Diseases
Exchange of information on outbreaks of reportable infectious diseases

Animal Diseases (cases)

Disease	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
African swine fever	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	3
Anthrax	2	5	2	1	1	2	1	8	0	0
Aujeszký's disease	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brucellosis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Bacillus larvae	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Brat sot	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Coli-bacteriosis	6	4	5	60	45	70	67	0	0	0
Contagious Bovine Pleuro-pneumonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Enzootic Bovine Leucosis	24	32	0	5	38	5	8	0	0	1229
Epizootic Hemorrhagic Virus Disease	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Epizootic Lymphangitis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leptospirosis	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lumpy Skin Disease	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newcastle disease	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Malignant Edema	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Pasteurellosis	30	27	12	22	22	27	14	0	0	1
Rabies	49	68	45	59	140	66	209	128	71	23
Rubella	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rujetul	2	4	4	4	3	2	4	0	0	0
Rinitis atrofica	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Salmonella tophi	6	2	3	43	0	29	17	0	0	0
Swine vesicular disease	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Teacher disease	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tularemia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis (Bovine TB)	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

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Revised forms for the submission of the Confidence-Building Measures

At the Third Review Conference, it was agreed that all States Parties present the following declaration, later amended by the Seventh Review Conference:

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A, part 2 (iii)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
F	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
G	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(Please mark the appropriate box (es) for each measure with a tick, and fill in the year of last declaration in the last column where applicable.)

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Date of ratification/accession to the Convention: **5 November 2004**

National point of contact: **National Agency for Food Safety**

Active promotion of contacts

The Third Review Conference agreed that States parties continue to implement the following:

"Active promotion of contacts between scientists, other experts and facilities engaged in biological research directly related to the Convention, including exchanges and visits for joint research on a mutually agreed basis."

In order to actively promote professional contacts between scientists, joint research projects and other activities aimed at preventing or reducing the occurrence of ambiguities, doubts and suspicions and at improving international cooperation in the field of peaceful bacteriological (biological) activities, the Seventh Review Conference encouraged States parties to share forward looking information, to the extent possible,

- on planned international conferences, seminars, symposia and similar events dealing with biological research directly related to the Convention, and
- on other opportunities for exchange of scientists, joint research or other measures to promote contacts between scientists engaged in biological research directly related to the Convention,

Including through the Implementation Support Unit (ISU) within the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs.

**Form F
BWC - Confidence Building Measure
Declaration of past activities in offensive and/or defensive
Biological research and development programmers**

Nothing new to declare than in Confidence Building Measure Return covering 2015 submitted by the Republic of Moldova in year 2016.

**Form G
BWC - Confidence Building Measure
Declaration of Vaccine Production Facilities**

Nothing to declare. Currently there are no human vaccines manufactured and licensed in the Republic of Moldova.

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