



*Pictures: Destruction of small arms ammunition (SAA) through burning. 1- Once sorted (ammunition with special loading and explosive ammunition are taken out), the SAA are put in an adapted barrel. 2- SAA are heated to a temperature of over 400 degrees Celsius during at least one hour (the security perimeter for the staff is over 1000 m). 3- At the end of the process, all active material (caps and propelling powder) have been destroyed.*

#### Reporting Period:

**01 April 2010 – 31 May 2010**

#### Summary of outputs:

- **Collection of 448 weapons, 783 magazines, 1,716 ammunition and 112,269 SAA** from PNB stocks by the MAG-PNB mobile team;
- **Destruction of 1,348 ammunition and 48,000 SAA** by the MAG-PNB mobile team;
- **Improvement to the physical security of 10 PNB armouries** by the MAG physical security team.

The Swiss-funded Physical Security and Stockpile Management (PSSM) activities in Region West started at the end of April. In April and May, the MAG-Police Nationale du Burundi (PNB) mobile team worked towards the removal of surplus PNB Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) in the four provinces that form the Region West (Bujumbura Mairie, Bujumbura Rural, Bubanza and Cibitoke) where they collected 448 weapons, 783 magazines, 1,716 ammunition (1,593 hand-grenades, 57 rifle grenades, 30 artillery shells, 15 rocket propellers, 18 rockets, and 3 AP mines) and 112,269 Small Arms Ammunition (SAA). The team also destroyed 1,348 ammunition and 48,000 SAA at the Central Destruction Site in Mudubugu located in Bubanza province. Early April, while waiting for the authorisation to work in the Region West, the team took the occasion to collect surplus and seized SALW in the southern province of Bururi.

The team for the improvement of the physical security of SALW improved security in 10 armouries of Region West (in the provinces of Cibitoke and Bubanza) during the month of May.

MAG continues to work with the Civilian Protection for the preparation of the Swiss-funded survey of areas suspected to be contaminated by landmines and unexploded ordnance (UXO) in the Kibira Forest area. This new project is expected to start in July.

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