

**GROUP OF GOVERNMENTAL EXPERTS OF THE
HIGH CONTRACTING PARTIES TO THE
CONVENTION ON PROHIBITIONS OR
RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF CERTAIN
CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS WHICH MAY BE
DEEMED TO BE EXCESSIVELY INJURIOUS OR
TO HAVE INDISCRIMINATE EFFECTS**

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Cluster munitions

DEFINITIONS

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- Cluster munition:** means a munition that is designed to disperse or release explosive sub-munitions, and includes those explosives sub-munitions. For the purposes of this protocol dispensers, designed to disperse or release bomblets, are subject to the same provisions as cluster munitions.
- Explosive sub-munition:** means a munition that in order to perform its task separates from a parent munition and is designed to function by detonating an explosive charge prior to, on or after impact.
- Bomblet:** means a munition which is designed to be dispersed or separated from a dispenser, and to function by detonating an explosive charge prior to, on or after impact.