



Demilitarization of surplus ammunitions

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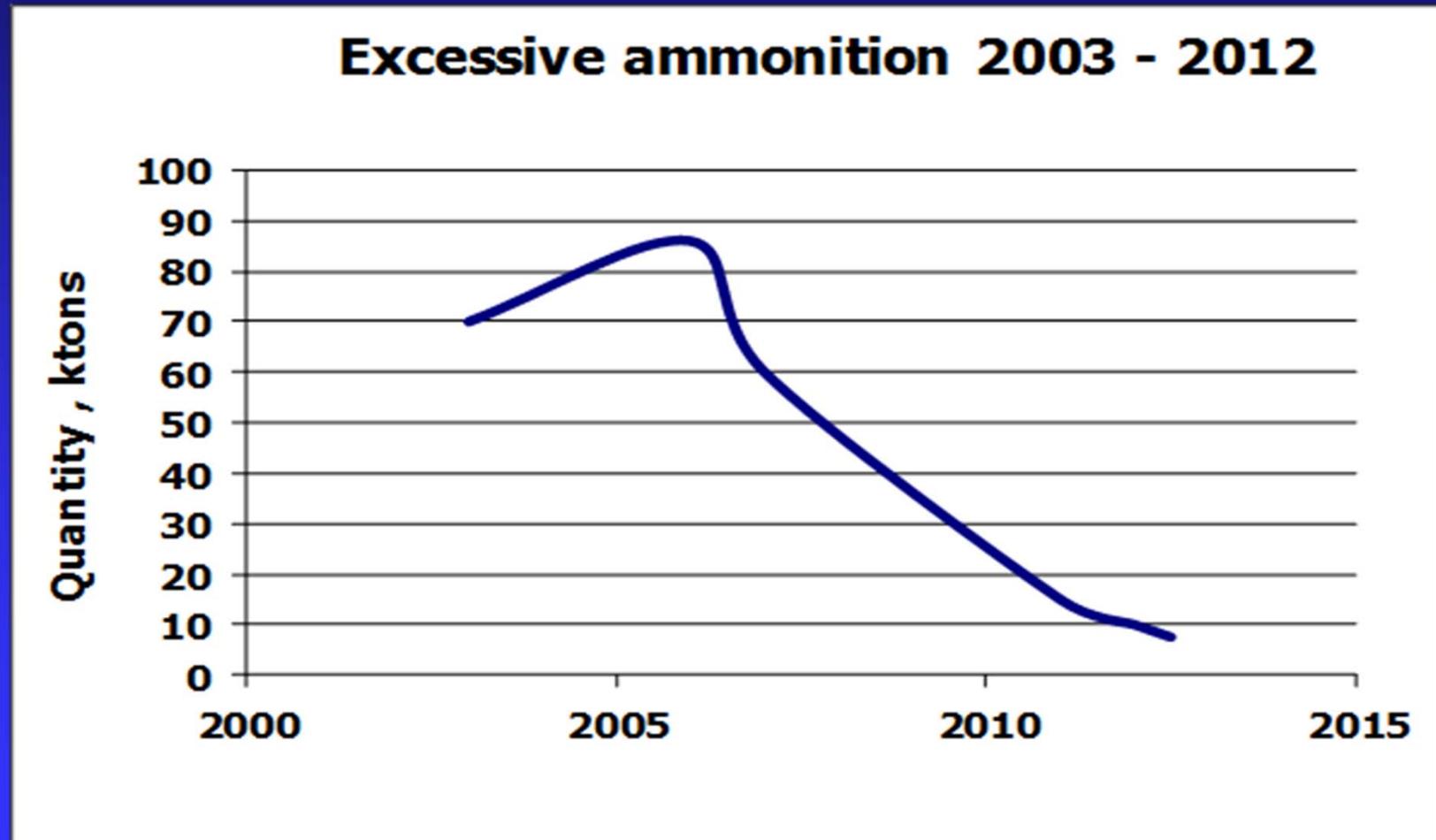
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- 1. Review of the surplus ammunition reduction**
- 2. Current situation -**
**“Plan for future demilitarization of surplus ammunitions
2012 – 2015”**
- 3. Conditions of stockpile, DTRA report PSSM – 2012**
- 4. The way ahead**



Review of the surplus ammunition reduction

MoD has reduced excessive ammunitions from **90 000** tons in 2004 year to **7075** tons in 2013 year





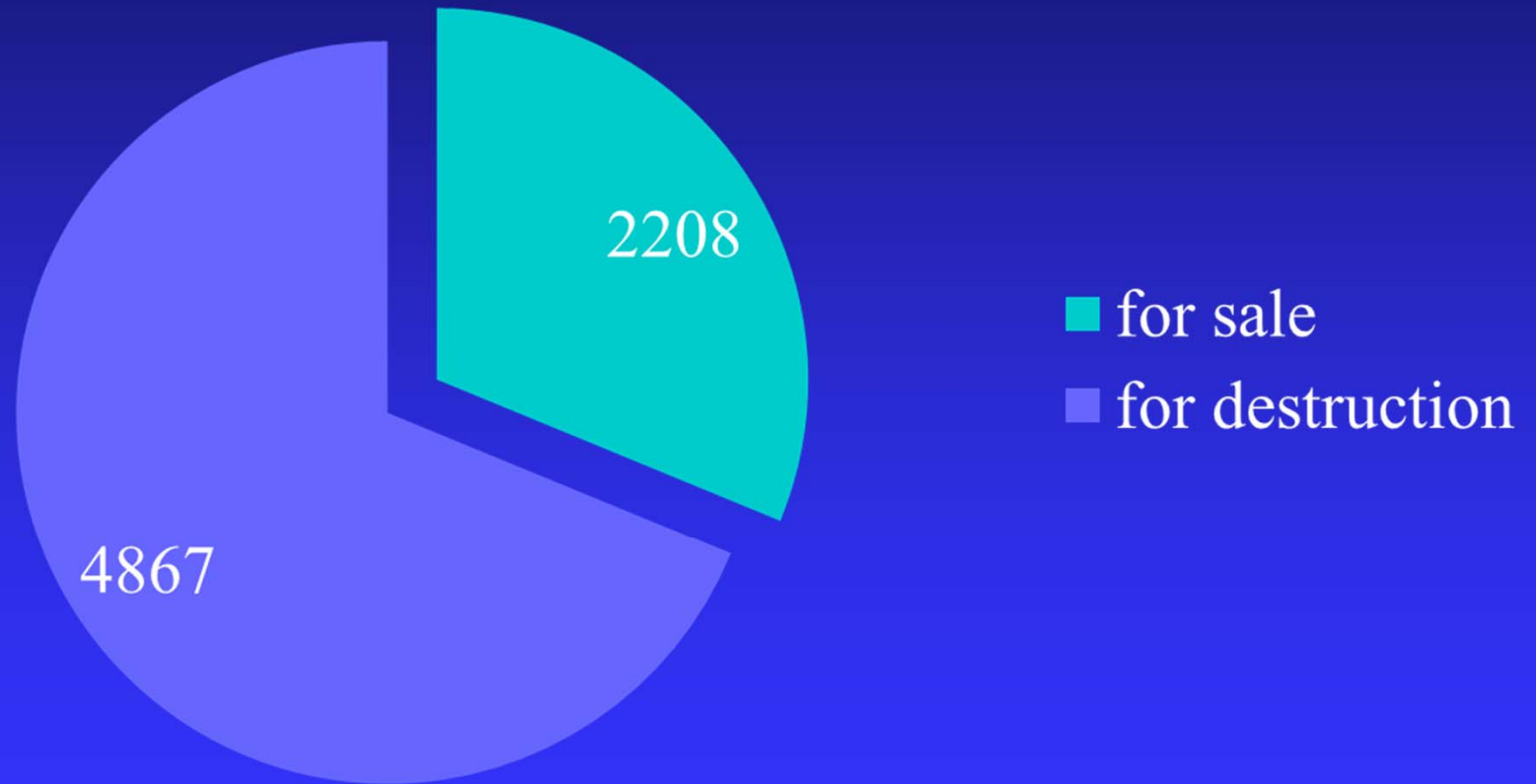
Review of the surplus ammunition reduction

- In 2012 were destroyed and recycled 336 tons of excessive and dangerous ammunitions
- Last year were sold more than 8 775 tons of excessive ammunitions
- Two ammunition depots were reduced



Current situation

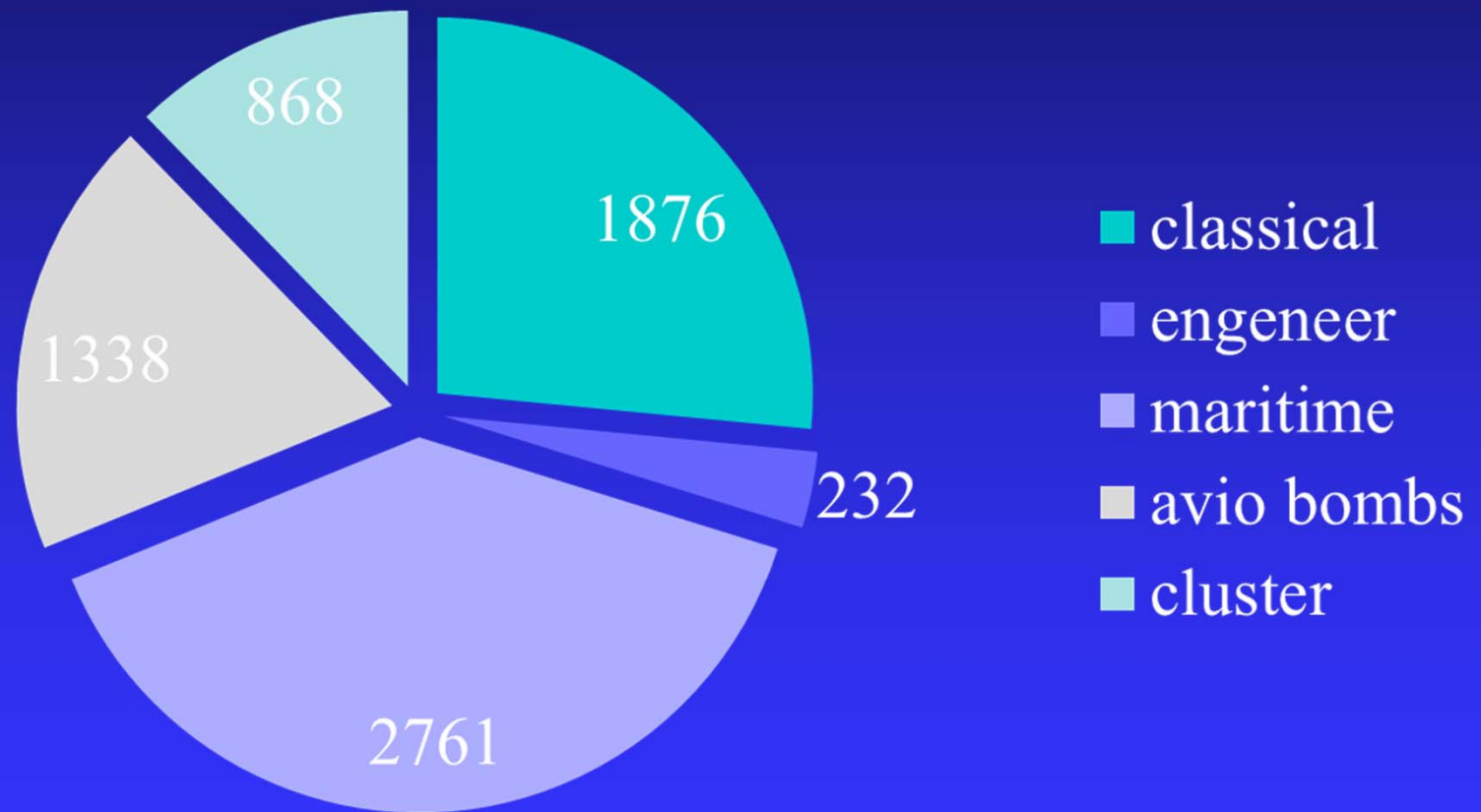
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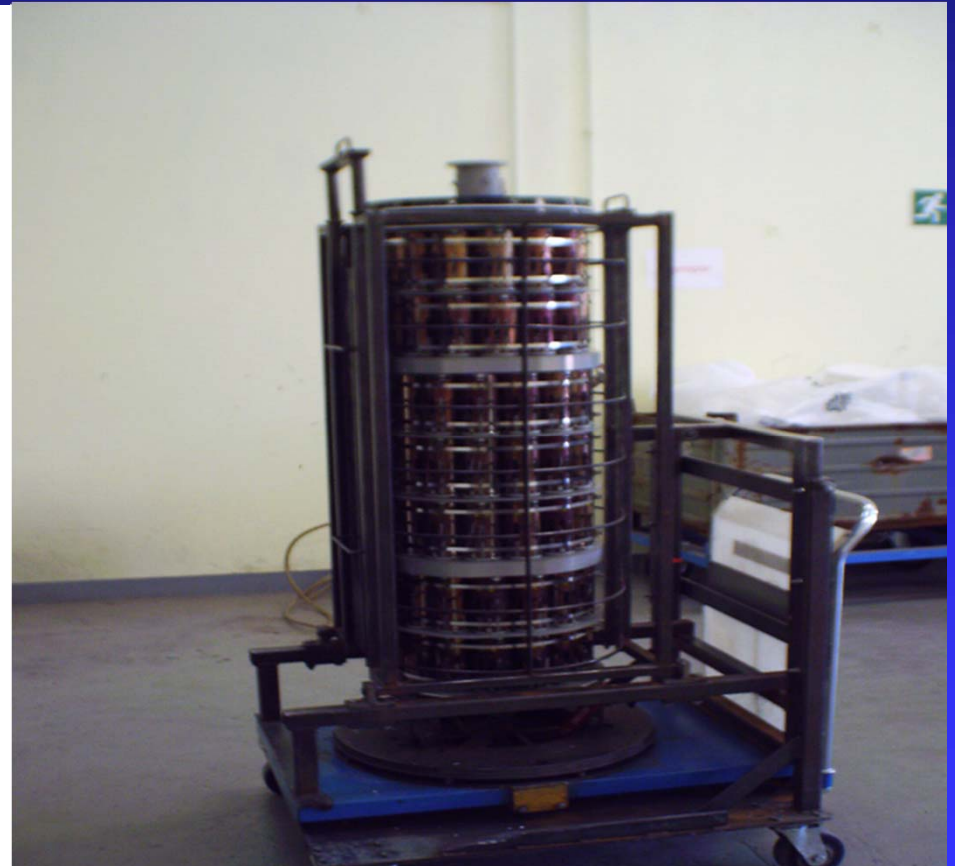




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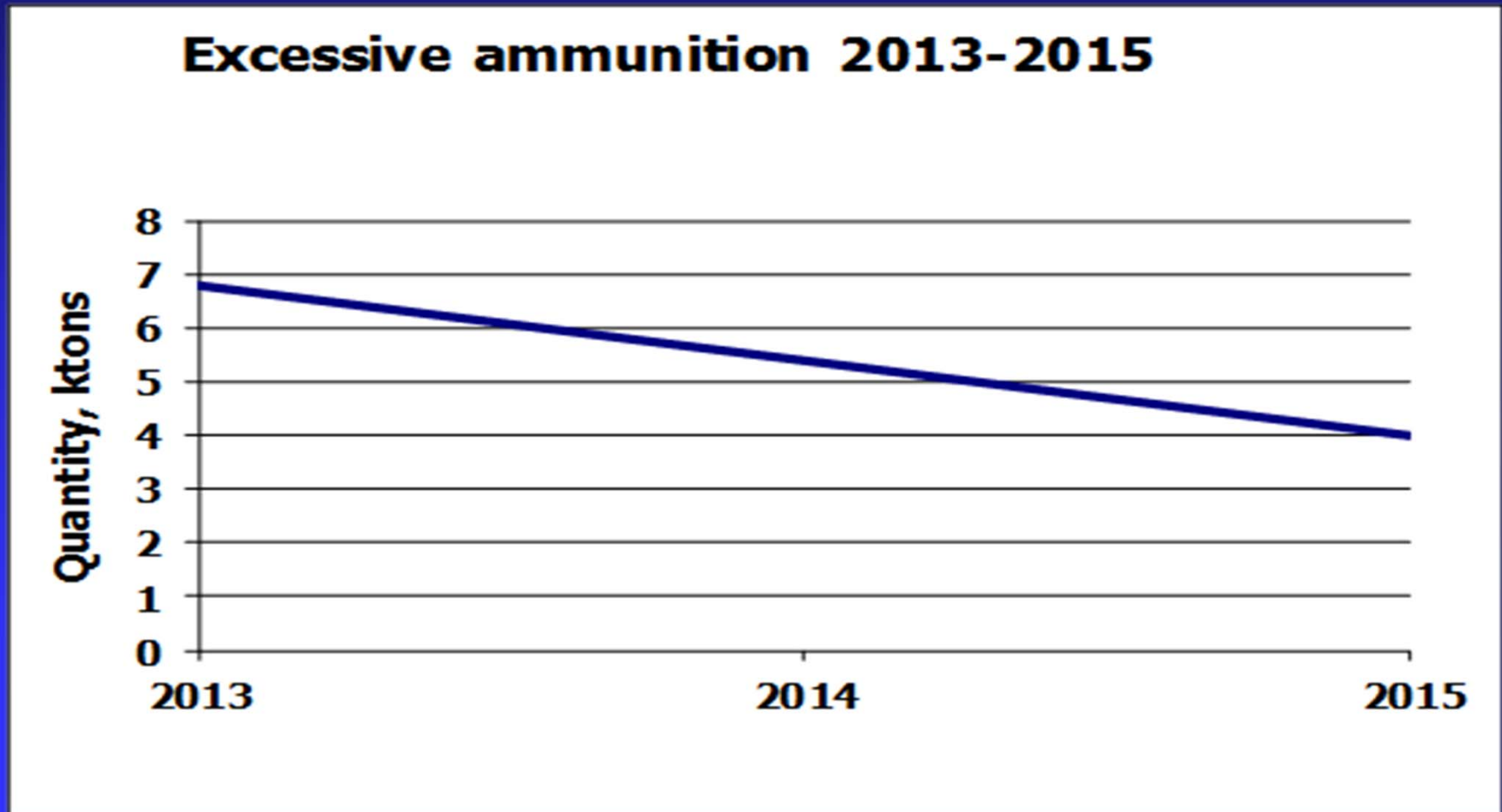
Cluster ammunitions - 6874 pcs., around 868 tons
According to the Bulgarian government official report for
UN 2012





Future surplus reduction

MoD has prepared an “Action plan for future demilitarization of surplus ammunitions 2012 – 2015”





Condition of stockpile

DTRA Team visited 4 depots from 29 October – 02 November 2012

Recommendations:

- improve physical security
- improve physical conditions of the depots
- update SOPs with most recent national /international best practices
- obtain capability to conduct chemical analysis on ammunitions



DTRA General Impression





Incident near "Petoluchkata"



05 Jun 2012; 3 PAX died and 15 injured;
around 160 tons exploded due to distortion of the process of utilization;
250 000 euro were spent for the cleaning area



Bulgarian MoD – The way ahead

- keeping an existing policy of selling/destruction excessive ammunitions
- reduce ammunition depots – review is in progress
- improve physical security and physical conditions on the depots
- developing and improving staff qualification



**Thank you
for your attention**



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