



# GOING HOME?

**Your house, paths, garden or fields could be dangerous!**  
**Stay in a place that you know is safe!**

## **If you decide to go to your home...**

- You must ask other people if they know about mines or booby traps or unexploded munitions in the area. Leave your family in a place that you know is safe. Do not go by a path or road that has not been travelled. Do not go to your home if other people in the area tell you that it is dangerous!

## **What is the danger?**

- There may be mines, booby-traps and unexploded munitions. These can cause severe injury and death if you are not careful. The risks are:
  - **Buried mines:** you will not usually be able to see these. They are usually buried on foot-paths, under trees, near wells and in other places where people are likely to walk.
  - **Fragment mines:** these sit above the ground or in grass. They are usually triggered by touching a wire which is stretched across a path or attached to something that can be moved such as a gate or a door.
  - **Booby-traps:** these are left carefully hidden in houses or farms. An explosive munition- a grenade or a fragment mine - is attached to an object which you may touch, move or pick up such as a door, bottle, television, or car. People who make the booby-traps are very imaginative. Even a destroyed house may have a booby trap.
  - **Unexploded munitions:** these can be found anywhere where there has been fighting or bombing. They take many forms. They explode easily when handled.

## **What to look out for**

- Fences made with colored tapes or ropes or a pile of stones indicate that someone else knows there are mines present.
- In the garden, on paths or in fields look out for: -any strange object especially if it is green or brown; wires near to the ground; dead animals; anything green or yellow with ribbon or cloth attached.
- In the house, look out for:-closed or partly closed doors, cupboards or drawers; attractive, unusual or valuable object that are unfamiliar to you or in a strange place.

## **If you go to your home and find something suspicious....**

- Walk out by the same way
- Do not touch anything
- Do not attempt to remove the object or to make it explode
- Do not let others enter your home or garden
- Contact KFOR, UNHCR or a mine clearance agency