

# LANDMINES

Social Policy Resolution  
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Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.

## Adopted by the 1997 Churchwide Assembly.

### Resolved

To support the call for an international ban on the use, production, stockpile, and sale, transfer, or export of anti-personnel land mines;

To call on the government of the United States to sign as soon as possible an international treaty that bans anti-personnel landmines immediately and to increase support for international and bilateral programs for humanitarian mine clearance and mine victim assistance;

To encourage members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to:

- Learn about the landmines issue;
- Join the Lutheran World Relief and Church World Service petition to ban anti-personnel land mines;
- Contact the President of the United States and their U.S. Senators and Representatives in support of an international treaty, which bans land mines immediately;
- Support the ELCA World Hunger Appeal, so that increased attention can be given to humanitarian mine-clearance efforts and mine-victim assistance, through Lutheran World Relief and other international partners;
- Pray for victims of land mines; and
- To encourage the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America — its churchwide organization, synods, congregations, and church-related organizations—to advocate for a global ban on land mines, for mine clearance, and for mine-victim assistance.