

# SAFETY FOR OUR FUTURE



# Your Challenge

Disarming of Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) and Improvised Explosive Device Disposal (IEDD) is a particularly demanding task.

## **EOD**

Environmental exposure over the time has chemical and/or physical effects on ammunition and often leads to a critical in-situ situation of UXO. Conventional Render Safe Procedure (RSP) is very often not feasible without contacting or shifting UXO. Blasting of UXO is so far used as a final RSP causing partly heavy collateral damages.

Under water detonations additionally create severe environmental damages by harming or killing marine life.



# **IEDD**

Pipe bombs, hand grenades or potentially hazardous objects such as unconventional explosives in the form of fire extinguishers, gas bottles and suitcases as well as even vehicles are quite commonly used in terroristic attacks.

The use of a disruptor as RSP very often causes severe collateral damage especially in urban areas.



## ANT - a cut ahead

For the disarming and deactivation of ammunition as well as improvised explosive devices ANT has developed Mobile Abrasive Cutting Equipment (MACE) that allows to remove or demilitarize fuses remotely, risk-free and safe. It is unrivalled when exclusion of detonations is a must.

# Special Advantages with

- Fuses which cannot be manually removed or deactivated
- Risk of detonation using disruption techniques
- Ammunition with chemically dangerous mutated explosive content
- Opening of containments or objects, without using explosives as opening method

# Our Solution – the MACE Series

The Mobile Abrasive Cutting Equipment (MACE) is based on ANT's Water Abrasive Suspension (WAS) cutting process.

# Water Abrasive Suspension (WAS) Cutting Technology

WAS cutting involves using a high-pressure water jet and a sharp-edged abrasive agent – preferably garnet sand. Besides other benefits, cuts conducted by Water Abrasive Suspension (WAS) technology are characterised by no physical contact to the target object, no significant temperature increases, very little kinetic energy and the proof of working safe with explosives.



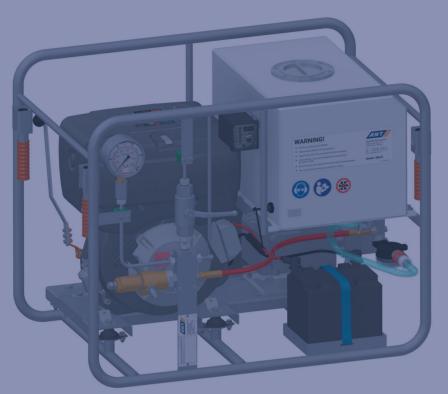
# The MACE Solution and its Components

The MACE systems are deployed successfully around the globe and have become state of the art for the RSP: For safe, remote controlled disposal of all kinds of explosives, ANT provides customised solutions consisting of sophisticated components.

# **Special Features**

- Safe / Operators defuse the object from a safe distance
- Remote controlled cutting devices
- Portable and easy to operate
- Cold cut and under water cutting
- Multi-flexible
- Patented technology successfully proven by EOD teams worldwide

# MACE





# MACE Cutting Examples

# **Cutting out a bottom plate**







Bomb body without bottom plate



Bottom plate without fuse

# Cutting off the back of a bomb



Cutting with Base Fuse Manipulator



Cutting under water



Back of the bomb after salvage

# Opening a bomb



Cutting an access hole (in explosives)



Cutting a burn out hole with 3-axis cutting table



Cutting through a detonator



# No 17 fuse from a GP 500 LB MK V







Installation of cutting device



Video control of cutting process



Clamping the fuse

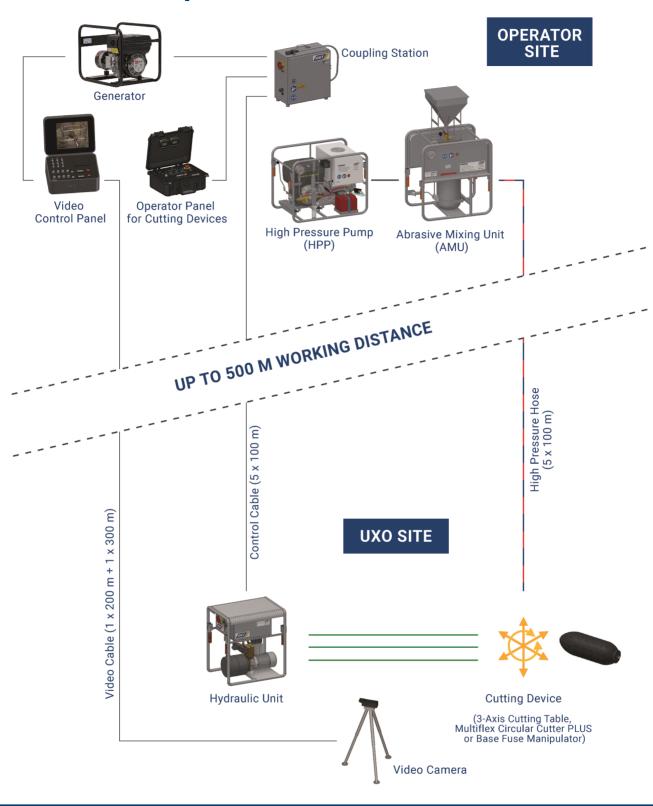


Drawing the fuse with third axis



No 17 fuse with booster charge

# MACE Setup



- Suitable for EOD
- 700 bar
- Portable
- Up to 500 m distance from UXO
- Cutting time approx. 20 min with one filling of abrasive
- Available also as XL version (cutting time approx. 45 min with one filling of abrasive)

# MACE & Components

## **MACE**

The Abrasive Mixing Unit (AMU) and the High Pressure Pump (HPP) are the core components

of the MACE system.



# Abrasive Mixing Unit AMU 700-12

- for MACE
- approx. 20 min cutting time per filling of abrasive



# Abrasive Mixing Unit AMU 700-20

- for MACE XL version
- approx. 45 min cutting time per filling of abrasive



# High Pressure Pump HPP 700-6

- 700 bar
- Diesel / electric starter
- Compatible with both versions of AMU

# **Generator and Hydraulic Unit with Operator Panel**

The hydraulic power unit with intuitive operator panel ensures effective control of the cutting devices.



## Generator

Diesel driven



## **Hydraulic Unit**

- Delivers the hydraulic pressure for cutting devices
- 15 m hydraulic hose



## **Operator Panel for Cutting Devices**

- · Control of cutting speed
- Control of axis of cutting devices



# **Cutting Devices for MACE (optional)**

All cutting devices for MACE are hydraulically driven.



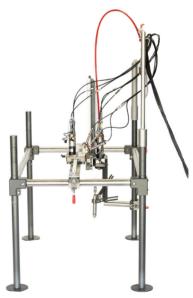
# **Base Fuse Manipulator**

- Defusing of SAP, MC, GP and AP bombs
- Fixation at the bottom of a bomb and cutting off the fuse
- Alternative: Cutting off the back of a bomb including the fuse
- · Quick and easy centering



# **Multiflex Circular Cutter PLUS**

- Performing circular cuts
- Clamping and drawing of the fuse
- Click-system for easy set-up



# **3-Axis Cutting Table**

- Cutting of 3D contours
- Modular construction for quick set-up



### **Drum Reel Device**

- Simple and quick winding of 100 m cable and hose
- Only suitable for the ANT cable drum



## **Bomb Support Ring**

- For 500 lb or 1,000 lb
- Fixing a bomb when being defused
- Lifting a bomb after defusing.



# **Camera System with Video Panel**

- For optimised monitoring and control of the cutting process
- With control cable up to 500 m



## **Hinged Foot**

- Flexible optimised positioning on a small footprint
- Compatible with Multiflex Circular Cutter PLUS

# **Surfix Spindle Cutter**

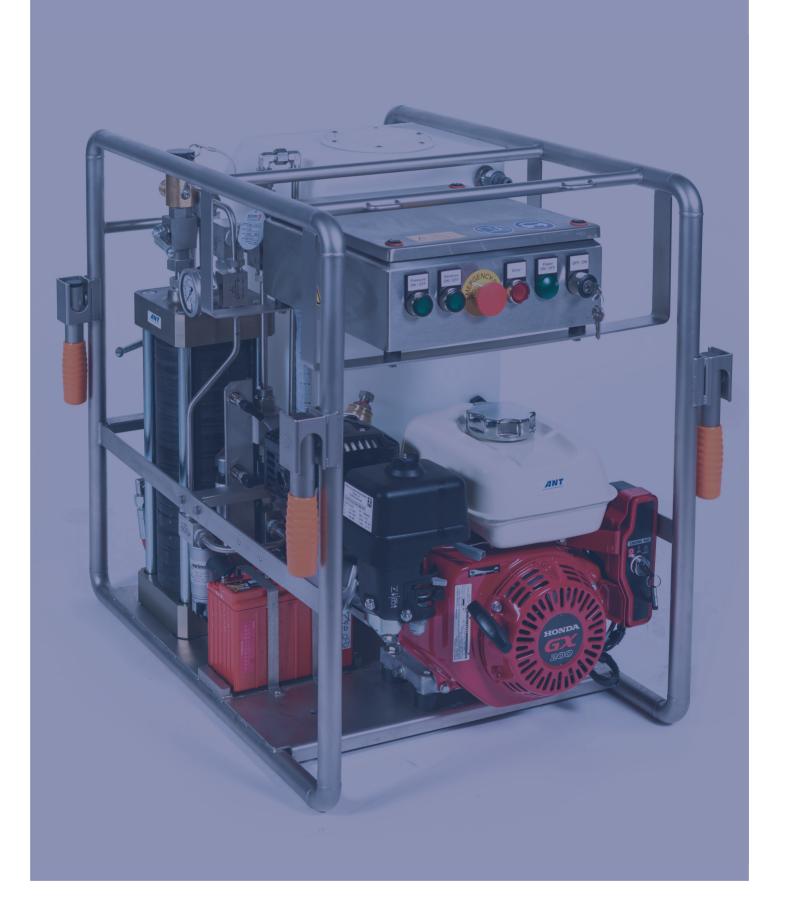
- Allows to cut the spindle before cutting off a fuse
- Compatible with Base Fuse Manipulator and Multiflex Circular Cutter PLUS

# MACE System Solutions









# miniMACE Cutting Examples

# **Cutting IEDs with miniMACE**



Inspection hole in a suitcase



A pipe bomb cut with electronic ignition



Cutting a detonator with a 2-axis cutting table



A cut of a hand grenade





# Cutting Large Vehicle Bombs (LVB) with miniMACE on ROV

miniMACE is a piece of access equipment that can be used for LVBs or any containment which may have been used to conceal IEDs, regardless of the body material (steel, aluminium, plastics, wood, fibreglass, glass, etc.).

The miniMACE system can be operated with selected EOD robots.

### The miniMACE LVB Features

- Safe and reliable access to the inside
- No destruction but preservation of forensic evidence
- Optimal risk assessment
- Ability to carry out the Render Safe Procedures (RSP) inside



Cutting a hole into the car



miniMACE in use with EOD robot

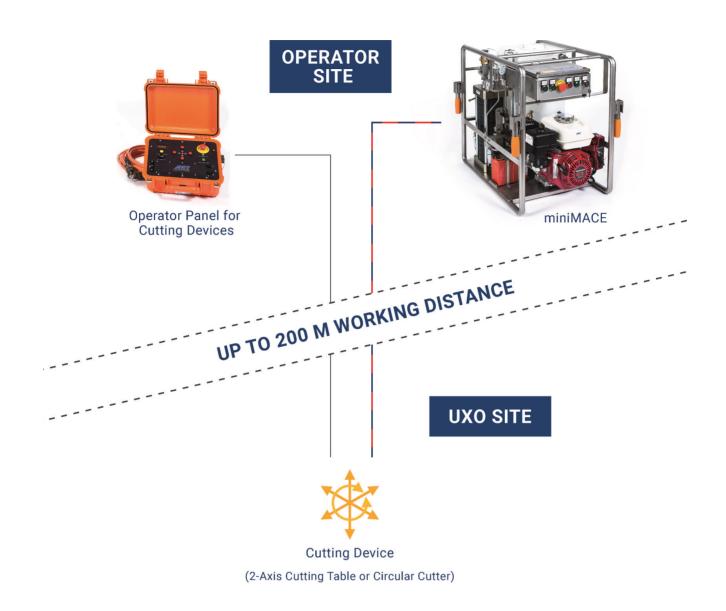


Cutting the windshield



**Cutting security glass** 

# miniMACE Setup



miniMACE is an autarkic complete system equipped with internal combustion engine, Abrasive Mixing Unit (AMU) and High Pressure Pump (HPP) for accessing and deactivating Improvised Explosive Devices (IED).

- Suitable for IEDD
- 450 bar
- Applicable with optional cutting devices or with ROV
- No destruction but preservation of forensic evidence
- ✓ Up to 200 m distance from IED

# miniMACE & Components





- Control of cutting speed
- · Control of axis of cutting devices



miniMACE combines an abrasive mixing unit, a high pressure pump and a combustion engine in a single frame.

# **Cutting Devices for miniMACE (optional)**



## 2-Axis Cutting Table

- Designed for 2 D-contours
- Lightweight easy to handle mobile
- Vertical and horizontal use



#### **Circular Cutter**

- · Easy and quick circular cuts
- Lightweight and small
- Also available with suction cups



### **Drum Reel Device**

- Simple and quick winding of 100 m cable and hose
- Only suitable for the ANT cable drum

## **Camera System with Video Panel**

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- With control cable up to 500 m

# miniMACE & Remotely Operated Vehicles



# Be Sure of an Individual Solution



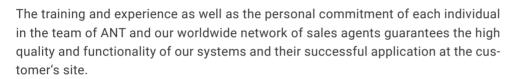
# Manfred Hagenbrink & Alexander Dölger, Sales Managers ≤ 700 bar



"ANT has succeeded in creating a safe way of defusing explosives in a highly sensitive and dangerous working environment. Customer requirements always have the highest priority, so customised designs are not uncommon. In addition, we carry out individually tailored user trainings. The Water Abrasive Suspension (WAS) cutting method has thus established itself worldwide as a technological advance for explosive ordnance disposal services."

# The ANT Quality and Service Worldwide

Our "Engineering made in Germany" is a global success and stands for high quality, reliability and an ability to solve problems.







# References (Excerpt)

MACE and miniMACE are successfully in use with EOD teams worldwide:

#### **Germany**

- Explosive Ordnance Disposal Service of
  - Baden-Wuerttemberg
  - Brandenburg
  - Hesse
  - Lower Saxony
  - Mecklenburg-West Pomerania
  - North Rhine-Westphalia
  - Saxony
  - Schleswig-Holstein
- German Armed Forces

#### **Australia**

Department of Defence

#### **Bangladesh**

- Air Force
- Army

# **Belgium**

DOVO SEDEE

#### **Bulgaria**

Ministry of Defence

#### China

- Xinjiaing PSB
- Department of Defence
- Police Beijing
- Police Tianjin

#### **France**

- DGA (Ministère de la Défense)
- Securité Civil

#### Hongkong

Hongkong Police Department

#### **Hungary**

Ministry of Defence

#### India

Air Force

# Japan

Defence Agency

#### Latvia

Riga Police

#### Lithuania

Ministry of Defence

#### **Netherlands**

Ministerie van Defensie, Koninklijke Landmacht

## Slowakia

Ministry of Defence

#### Sweden

SWEDEC

#### UK

- Ministry of Defence
- DSTL, Porton Down

#### **USA**

- Las Vegas Fire & Rescue
- Honolulu Police Department
- Denver Police Department
- HDS (Hazardous Devices School)

