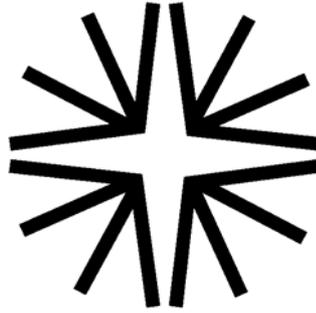


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## **EADRCC URGENT DISASTER ASSISTANCE REQUEST FLOODS - GEORGIA**

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1. In accordance with the procedures at reference, EADRCC has received today, 29 April 2005, a disaster assistance request from Georgia. The following information was provided.

### 2. General Situation

Type of the Disaster : Flood and landslide  
Date and Time the Disaster occurred : 25 April 2005  
Location of the Disaster : Georgia  
Size of the area affected : Approximately 19.000 hectares  
Estimated number of Persons affected : 5.500 people

### 3. Initial Assessment of the damage and description of the situation.

3.1. Following five days of torrential rain, Georgia is experiencing one of its worst flooding situations in recent history. Initial reports indicate that the Racha-Lechkhumi region (Oni, Ambrolauri, Tsageri), the Svaneti region (Mestia, Lentekhi), and the Imereti region (Khoni, Tskaltubo, including Kutaisi city) are most affected. Basic infrastructure (roads, electric lines, and communications) have been seriously damaged because of the rising water levels, and resulting landslides. Some 60 villages are cut off due to the heavily damaged roads. Search, rescue, and assistance activities are constrained due to the heavy continuous rainfall and limited access to the affected area. There is no access to some villages in the Imereti and Svaneti regions where the local population has been left without water and electricity. In the Racha-Lechkhumi and Kvemo Svaneti regions, the Rioni, Krikhula and Lekhumi rivers have flooded agricultural land and houses. Several roads, bridges, and water pumps have been washed away and are in need of urgent



repair. Approximately 3.000 persons have been evacuated from the affected areas. Roughly 200 houses have been damaged and 70 were ruined by the flood.

3.2. The meteorological services in Georgia expect further rainfall, and increasing water levels in western Georgia that might cause further floods, landslides and mudslides around the Tskhenistskali, Acharistskali and Aragvi river channels.

#### 4. Measures taken.

4.1. A special emergency commission has been set-up by the Government headed by the Prime Minister. The relief operations are co-ordinated by the Civil Safety Service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs. All available resources have been allocated to mitigate the consequences of the disaster.

5. The following requirements for assistance have been identified:

	Description	Effective Date	Unit
5.1.	Heavy-duty bulldozer	As Soon As Possible (ASAP)	7
5.2.	Medium-duty bulldozer	ASAP	10
5.3.	Medium-duty excavator	ASAP	8
5.4.	Truck (medium)	ASAP	8
5.5.	Heavy-duty Grader	ASAP	10
5.6.	Heavy self-discharging trucks	ASAP	30
5.7.	Water tank trailers	ASAP	20
5.8.	Diesel generator	ASAP	40
5.9.	Tent (for 6 persons)	ASAP	200
5.10.	Sleeping bag	ASAP	1000
5.11.	Lukas Presque Kits (Premium)	ASAP	50
5.12.	Heavy-duty water filter	ASAP	40
5.13.	Heavy-duty pumps	ASAP	40
5.14.	4X4 Presque vehicles	ASAP	2
5.15.	Emergency first aid kit	ASAP	3000
5.16.	Portable pump	ASAP	40
5.17.	Blanket	ASAP	1500
5.18.	Rubber boots	ASAP	1500
5.19.	Disinfectants	ASAP	1000
5.20.	Detergent	ASAP	1000
5.21.	Personal hygienic materials	ASAP	1000
5.22.	Gas cooker	ASAP	100

6. Point of entry, to be confirmed by Georgian authorities.

7. Delivery points to be confirmed by Georgian authorities.

9. The Operational Point of Contact at national level is as follows.

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10. Response co-ordination.

10.1. With a view to providing a coordinated response to the stricken nation's requirements, nations in a position to meet these demands, in full or in part, are invited to reply to the Operational Point of Contact of the Stricken Nation, with an information copy to EADRCC, by any of the communication means listed below.

10.2. The EADRCC is in close contact with the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UN-OCHA) in Geneva and Emergency Situations and Civil Safety Service, MIA of Georgia.

10.3. The Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Centre can be reached the following ways:

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