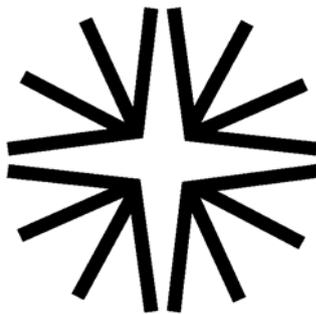


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**EADRCC URGENT DISASTER ASSISTANCE REQUEST
FLOODS BULGARIA**

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1. In accordance with the procedures at reference, EADRCC has received today, 25 April 2006, a disaster assistance request from **BULGARIA**. The following information was provided.

2. General Situation

Type of the Disaster : **FLOODS**
Date and Time the Disaster occurred : **12 April 2006**
Location of the Disaster : **Regions along the Danube River valley**

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

3.1. Due to the influx of tributary rivers on the territory of Serbia and Montenegro, water levels in the Bulgarian part of the Danube River have risen to record heights. Also water draining from the hydro technical complex "Iron Gates" has influenced the water level of the Danube River.

3.2. On **12.04.2006 at 15:00 GMT**, the Bulgarian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of the State Policy for Disasters and Accidents, Mrs. Emel Etem, declared a situation of disaster for the Bulgarian part of the Danube River valley. This was based on the Council of Ministers Decision No. 200 dated 12 April 2006. In the endangered municipalities along the Danube River a readiness for evacuation was established. A tent camp for 3,000 to 4,500 evacuees was set up in the village of Bojourishte, in the Vidin Region.

3.3. As a result of the floods the following damages have occurred:

- 23 affected municipalities;

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- 1,049 flooded houses;
- 397 flooded courtyards;
- 40 flooded public buildings;
- 1 flooded hospital;
- 2 flooded schools;
- 4 flooded kindergartens;
- 6,240 m flooded sewage networks;
- 1,878 flooded sanitary sewage pits;
- 3 inoperative pumping stations;
- 151 flooded wells;
- 513 km of affected roads;
- 200 km of blocked roads;
- 55.5 square kilometres of farmland;
- 239 isolated persons;
- 63 evacuated persons.

4. National resources available for disaster response and measures taken.

4.1. Forces of the State Agency for Civil Protection, Ministry of the Interior, Ministry of Defence Formations, Water Supply and Sewerage Systems Company emergency teams, the Electricity Supply Company emergency units, the Regional Road Services, public and private companies with their staff and equipment participate in the rescue and emergency recovery activities.

4.2. Urgent measures have been undertaken to overcoming the floods' consequences. Local and Municipality Committees for Emergency Situations, local public authorities and specialised public services performed the following activities in the affected sites:

- Warning and informing the population regarding the preventive epidemiological measures in case of floods;
- Executing new protection works and consolidating the existing ones;
- Providing accommodation for persons evacuated from the affected localities;
- Permanent monitoring of the Danube River levels
- Permanent monitoring of the roads status and taking preventive measures;
- Pumping out water from houses where necessary and providing drinking water supplies for the affected population;
- Alerting and evacuating the population and assets from the most endangered localities;
- Permanent supervision of electric supply of the towns;
- Providing specific measures of public order and safety for guarding goods and valuables of evacuated citizens from the affected cities;



- Creating joint teams of experts from the Municipalities Inspectorates for emergency situations, Civil Protection Regional Departments, Water and Environment Regional Departments and experts from other relevant authorities in order to perform site surveys for the evaluation of the status of dams, roads and public utilities, and to identify proper places for building protective facilities.

5. The following requirements for international assistance have been identified:

	Description	Unit	Quantity
5.1.	Pumps 12" capacity 1200 m ³ /hour	set	10
5.2.	Pumps 10" capacity 700 m ³ /hour	set	10
5.3.	Pumps (3.000 l/hour)	set	60
5.4.	High pressure hoses for the above mentioned pumps	meter	min. 200 mtr per unit
5.5.	Drying equipment for flooded dwellings	set	50
5.6.	Disinfectants	litre	10,000
5.7.	Anti mouldering latex	kg	10,000
5.8.	Sand bags	pcs	500,000

6. Points of Entry:

- 6.1. Border crossing point KALOTINA
- 6.2. Border crossing point VRASKA CHUKA
- 6.3. Border crossing point DUNAV MOST
- 6.4. Border crossing point KAPITAN ANDREEVO
- 6.5. Border crossing point KULATA
- 6.6. Border crossing point DURAN KULAK
- 6.7. PORT BOURGAS
- 6.8. PORT VARNA
- 6.9. SOFIA AIRPORT
- 6.10. CENTRAL SOFIA RAILWAY STATION

7. Delivery point:

State Agency for Civil Protection
30, Nikola Gabrovski Str.
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8. The Operational Points of Contact in Bulgaria can be reached in the following ways:

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9. Response co-ordination.

9.1. 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 above and below.

10.1. The EADRCC is in close contact with the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UN-OCHA) in Geneva.

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

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