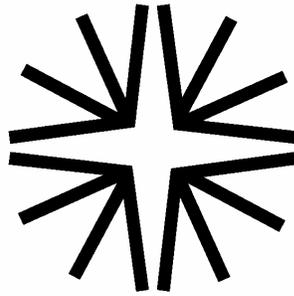


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EADRCC SITUATION REPORT N° 4 FOREST FIRES IN ALBANIA

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1. Situation update:

1.1. The efforts made from local and national structures and forces to face small and medium scale fires have enabled the extinguishing of fires in various regions: Berat (Poshnjë and Veterik), Korçë (Trestenik-Kapshticë near the Greek Border and in Nikolicë), Gjirokastër (in the archeological complex of Antigonea), 2 firespots in Shkodra region and 2 firespots in the region of Kukës.

1.2. **The situation remains serious in Northern and North-Eastern Albania. A new fire started yesterday at the district of Puka** with a large scale of fire, which caused the interruption of the circulation on the national road connecting Albania to Kosova.

1.3. Most important active fires are burning in: National Park of Valbona Valley, near Kosovian and Montenegrin borders; Forest Economy of Lura, in the region of Diber; in Trull-Surroj area near the city of Kukës, in the forests of Fan, Valmor and Kaçinar in the district of Mirdita; in Southern Albania: in the village of Sotira, region of Gjirokastër, near the Greek border affecting the pinery forest.

2. Assistance offered or provided by EAPC nations:

2.1. **The Ukrainian aircraft "Antonov 32" has contributed in these extinguishing operations and will continue to operate for the next two days.**

2.2. **Two fire fighting helicopters with Bambi Bucket** from two German private companies landed in Tirana International Airport today at 14:00 UTC.



2.3. **Czech Republic sent 120 pairs of fire protection boots and 120 protection gloves on 30 July 2007.**

3. **New requirements for international assistance:**

3.1. There is requirement for fire fighting and fire protection equipment as follows:

No.	Item	Quantity
1	Fire protection suit (different sizes)	1000 pcs
2	Fire protection boots, leather, (different sizes)	1000 pcs
3	Fire protection helmets (different sizes)	200 pcs
4	Visor of a helmet for FF protection	1000 pcs
5	Protection mask	1000 pcs
6	Fire protection gloves (different sizes)	1000 pcs
7	FF belt	500 psc
8	Rescue rope 25 m	100 pcs
9	Hat, undershirt	1000 pcs
10	FF metal broom	400 pcs
11	Rubber reservoir-backpack	400 pcs
12	Water canister	600 pcs
13	Axe	600 pcs
14	Hoe	400 pcs
15	Pickax	400 pcs
16	Water pump	10 pcs
17	Binoculars	50 pcs
18	Power - Saw	20 pcs
19	Fire – hoses 50 mm (for fire – engines)	5000 m
20	Fire – hoses 70 mm	1000 m
21	Isolation devise 300 bar (oxygen tank) with a protection mask *	50 pcs
22	Suit (“preflan” suit) for protection from very high temperature	100 pcs
23	First aid bag with a stretcher	50 pcs
24	Hydraulic masks for metal cutting *	50 pcs

* These items will be confirmed.

3.2. **There is also still requirement for international assistance for aerial fire fighting capacities.**

4. Point of Entry: Tirana International Airport

5. The Operational Point of Contact in Albania can be reached in the following ways:

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6. Response co-ordination

6.1. 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.

6.2. The United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UN-OCHA) in Geneva and the European Union MIC have been informed by the same communication.

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

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