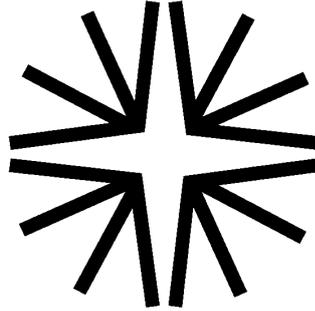


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1. Situation update:

- 1.1 According to local authorities situation remains serious, although sea water level stopped rising. The number of casualties reached 71.
- 1.2 Metro, tram and rail traffic has not been restored yet. Roads are congested with traffic owing to flooding and damaged bridges. Hospital emergency clinics are full, although the flow of incoming patients started to decrease slightly.
- 1.3 The water supply system suffers damage during the thunderstorms, and water supplies are cut off in the area covered by Helsinki Water. Waste water in the metropolitan area cannot be treated on account of the flooding. Thunderstorms ignited a number of fires, and rescue services in the region are obliged to call in all staff not on duty.
- 1.4 Delays occurred in the handling of accidents. In addition, the Rescue Department of the State Provincial Office of Southern Finland ordered the City of Helsinki Rescue Department and the regional rescue services of Central and Western Uusimaa to assist those of Eastern Uusimaa in combating fires that have broken out at the Kilpilahti oil refinery, and with other potential environmental disasters.
- 1.5 Helsinki harbour and other harbours in Western Uusimaa are closed, and maritime rescue units are on full alert. The authorities are making preparations for the transport of essential consumer goods (including food supplies and fuel), utilising alternative modes of transport and routes.

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1.6 Flooding caused water contaminated by chemical and organic materials to spread to many parts of the metropolitan area. Despite several leakages of hazardous chemical substances there is no immediate danger for the population as the amounts were rather small or concentrated in the tunnels. Light wind also favours smooth dispersal of the evaporating substances.

2. National response

2.1. Finland is employing the following own resources: USAR Team, two CBRN Units, one CBRN Unit (military), Special Fire and Rescue Unit (Navy), four Water Purification Units (Red Cross).

2.2. More than 400 different units of Rescue Departments have been deployed in more than 100 mission sites in Helsinki Metropolitan area. The need for international assistance is estimated to continue at least one week according to the situation development.

3. International response

3.1 The On Site Operations Coordination Centre (OSOCC) was established on 2 June to assist the local authorities in co-ordinating international assistance and assessing the needs. Since the beginning of the operation OSOCC was working in close cooperation with the Local Emergency Management Authority (LEMA). A LEMA liaison officer was assigned to OSOCC, which made communication between the two very smooth. LEMA and OSOCC had regular coordination meetings; OSOCC offered LEMA an opportunity to work in the same virtual workspace, which also made communication quicker and smoother.

3.2 17 NATO and partner countries deployed their teams in response to the request of the Finnish Government. Right after arrival on site the teams have received their first assignments and started rescue and relief operations.

3.3 According to the agreement with LEMA the international teams were deployed mainly to the following sites:

- Metro Tunnel (trapped people, chemical leakage)
- Harbour Tunnel (biological waste accident)
- Suomenoja Power Plant (chemical leak, water pumping, rope rescue)
- Herttoniemi old fire station (collapsed building)
- Military garrison (chemical accident, collapsed building)
- Laajasalo Oil Harbour (chemical accident, trapped people)
- Archipelago (water rescue)

3.3 Teams' activities during the day resulted in following numbers:

- 51 persons rescued
- 19 dead bodies extricated
- 24 persons decontaminated
- 32 evacuated
- more than 50 given medical treatment



4. International assistance required

The Finnish Government expressed its gratitude to all nations, which deployed their teams to Finland, and announced on 3 June that **no additional international assistance is needed except water purification stations**, as the situation starts to stabilize.

5. Assistance provided by nations:

Country	Description	No of personnel
Armenia	CBRN Team	7
	USAR Team	7
Austria	Support Unit (OSOCC)	8
Azerbaijan	CBRN Team	4
	Decontamination Team	3
	High Volume Water Pump Team	6
Belgium	B-FAST CBRN Module	13
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Water SAR Team	5
	CBRN Team	10
Croatia	Water SAR Team	10
Estonia / Iceland	CBRN Team	10
	USAR Team (1 dog)	10
	Medical Team	13
	Logistical Support Team	7
Georgia	USAR Team	4
	CBRN Team	4
Latvia	USAR Team	20
Lithuania	USAR Team (two dogs)	18
	CBRN Team	3
Norway	Mobile Decontamination Unit	12
Poland	High Capacity Pump Module	24
Portugal	Field Hospital	29
	CBRN Team	19
Russia	CBRN Team	20
	USAR Team	20
	Air support (Bo-105)	8
Sweden	CBRN Team	21
	Bridge Building Team	19
	Medical Team	5



Ukraine	USAR Team	10
	CBRN Team	5
	Mobile Field Hospital	24
United Kingdom	Tactical Advisers' Team	4

6. The Operational Point of Contact in Finland 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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