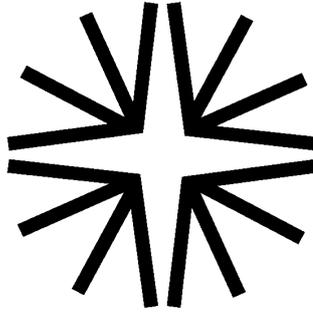


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**EADRCC SITUATION REPORT N°2  
FOREST FIRE – ISRAEL**

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**1. Situation update:**

- 1.1 The fire covers area of 30,000 acres of mainly forest on the Carmel Mountain north of Israel.
- 1.2 Fires have continued to spread during the past two days.
- 1.3 According to the Israeli authorities, by late afternoon Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> of December, due to concentrated international support the situation is getting better. However, the unpredictable winds have negative influence to the fire fighting measures.
- 1.4 To date the confirmed death toll is 43 people, with 20,000 people evacuated.
- 1.5 Approximately 10,000 acres of land have been destroyed, with an estimated 4 million trees burnt.

**2. Action taken by the Government of Israel.**

- 2.1 On December 3, 2010, the Israeli Government made a request for assistance through NATO's EADRCC.
- 2.2 Many evacuated persons have been sheltered by families and friends, while community shelters are set up in major towns to support others. The Israeli authorities are monitoring wind direction and are preparing for the possibility that the fire may spread to additional locations. Buses have been pre-positioned to allow for additional evacuation if necessary.

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2.3 A situation response centre has been established by the Israeli authorities comprised of police, firefighters, medical staff, and military. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has also established a situational room, for liaison with the international community and links with the operational cell.

### 3. Assistance offered / provided by EAPC, MD and ICI countries:

3.1 **Austria** offered up to 1.000m fire hoses (STORZ-B, 50 hoses each 20m) to support activities on site.

3.2 **Azerbaijan** has offered 2 helicopters.

3.3 **Bulgaria** has dispatched a team of 92 fire fighters to the disaster area.

3.4 **Croatia** has offered 1 Canadair CL415 866 with a crew of 8.

3.5 **Egypt** has offered fire-extinguishing materials.

3.6 **France** has offered 4 fire fighting planes: 2 Canadairs, another Canadair and a Dash 8. Additionally, the French government is sending fire-extinguishing materials.

3.7 On bilateral agreement the **German** army has offered to Israel an advance guard. On the 6<sup>th</sup> DEC 2010 the German army will send to Israel 4 medium-helicopters (2 for fire fighting deployment, 2 for logistics support).

3.8 **Greece** has already sent four (4) fire fighting aircrafts CL-415 and one C-130 aircraft carrying personnel and materials to Israel. The total staff consists of sixteen (16) flying and eleven (11) aircraft engineers. The C-130 aircraft returned to Greece in the meantime.

3.9 **Jordan** has offered fire-extinguishing materials.

3.10 The **Netherlands** has offered 1 fire fighting helicopter Boeing CH-47D Chinook and crew, and three fire fighter helicopters Eurofighter AS-532U2 Cougar MK II and crew.

3.11 **Romania** has deployed one aircraft to the area.

3.12 **Russian Federation** has sent 1 IL-76, 1 B-200 plane and 1 helicopter MI-26 to the State of Israel.

3.13 **Spain** has dispatched 4 Canadair CT-415 aircraft with 14 personnel.

3.14 The advance team of five members, one Falcon and three Cougar-helicopters with crews from **Switzerland** have been deployed to Israel. The personnel of the helicopters is from the Swiss Army, the advance team consists of both Swiss Army and Swiss Humanitarian Aid personnel. The operation is led by the Swiss Humanitarian Aid (within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs).

3.15 **Turkey** has offered 2 airplanes.

3.16 **United Kingdom** has sent 2 helicopters.

**4. The following requirements for international assistance have been identified:****PLEASE NOTE THAT ONLY FIRE DELAYING MATERIALS ARE STILL REQUIRED**

	Description	Effective Date	Quantity
4.1	Firepro 931	ASAP	TBD
4.2	FR Cross 134 P	ASAP	TBD
4.3	STHAMEX Class A	ASAP	TBD

**5. Points of Entry:**

5.1 Air Force Base – Ramatdavid.

**6. Delivery point:**

6.1 Israel, Air Force Base - Ramatdavid

**7. The Operational Point of Contact in Israel can be reached in the following ways:**

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**8. Response co-ordination.**

8.1. 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.

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

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

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