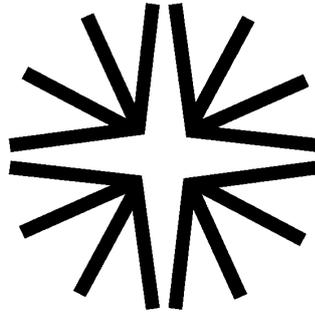


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**EADRCC Situation Report N°5  
SEVERE SNOW STORMS in MONTENEGRO  
(Latest update in BOLD)**

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**1. General Situation**

Type of the Disaster : Snow Storms in Montenegro  
Date and Time the Disaster occurred : During the initial weeks of 2012  
Location of the Disaster : Central and Northern parts of Montenegro

1.1 Due to continuous snowfall since the beginning of February 2012, the snow cover reaches up to 1.8 meters in central and northern parts of Montenegro. As a result of the disaster, the Security Council of Montenegro has declared State of Emergency on the entire territory.

1.2 Due to heavy snow storms and avalanches on roads, it is difficult to use land lines of communication from the Capital to the North of Montenegro. Only routes in the south are operational.

1.3 Currently, approximately 10 thousand citizens have been cut off from administrative centers for a week and longer. This population mainly lives in the countryside, like mountain villages, having no electricity, stocks of food and medicines. It is expected that a significant number of citizens need to be evacuated.

1.4 According to the weather forecast, in the following days, the situation is expected to stabilize, due to partly cloudy and mostly dry weather.

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## 2. National resources available for disaster response and measures taken.

Current top priorities are: supplying of population with food, drinking water, medicines and fuel. These operations are carried out by the Ministry of Interior, the Armed Forces, the Police and volunteer services. All these operations have been run by the Emergency Management Sector that is a part of the Ministry of the Interior.

## 3. The following assets for international assistance are still needed:

	Description	Effective Date	Quantity	Duration
3.1.	Tire chains for snow blower	asap	50 sets	TBD
3.2.	Snowmobile	asap	10 vehicles	TBD
3.3.	Medical all road vehicles	asap	10 vehicles	TBD
3.4.	Diesel fuel	asap	100.000 liters	TBD
3.5.	Heating Oil	asap	100.000 liters	TBD
3.6.	<b>Plastic sheeting to cover greenhouses of 300,000 square meters (AD or IR film thickness of 200 microns, width of 9 meters for one-third of the required film and of 14 meters width for two-thirds of the film)</b>			

## 4. Assistance provided by Allies and Partner Nations:

4.1 Greece has sent a Search And Rescue (SAR) helicopter in response to the Montenegrin Authorities request for support, in order to participate in the efforts to confront the difficult situation due to the heavy snowfalls. The SUPER PUMA Helicopter departed 13 February 2012 afternoon. The first mission took place on 14th February 2012 and includes: transfer of staff(16 persons), rescue operation(2 persons) and distribution of supplies. The helicopter has been redeployed to Greece on 17 February 2012.

4.2 Slovenia has sent a Helicopter (type Bell 412) with 4 crew and 3 mountain rescue personnel to Podgorica, Montenegro to assist with rescue operations, food distribution and medical assistance. Altogether, the Slovenian Armed Forces Helicopter recorded 15 flight hours and transported 83 people, of which five were injured, as well as 2,850 kg of cargo (food, water, medicines and other basic necessities). The helicopter has been redeployed to Slovenia on 17 February 2012.

4.3 Israel has sent 72 boxes with tents and blankets. The shipment left Israel on 20 February and is expected to reach Podgorica on 22 February 2012.

4.4 The Republic of Croatia (Ministry of Defense and the National Protection and Rescue Directorate) sent one helicopter with 2 rescue teams on 17 February 2012 to Montenegro together with 36 pairs of tire chains as specified below:

- Tire chain ALT 70 , 12,00 R20 – 8 pairs
- Tire chain ALT 68 , 11,00x20 – 19 pairs
- Tire chain ALT 68 , 295/80R22,5 – 3pairs
- Tire chain ALT 83 , 10R22,5 6 – 1 pair
- Tire chain ALT 94 , 16,9x28 – 5 pairs.

**The Croatian helicopter left Montenegro on 21 February.**



4.5 **The United States of America is deploying 2 Black Hawk Helicopters for emergency medical evacuation and for transportation of cargo and more than 40 crew members arrived to Montenegro on 22 February 2012.**

4.6 On 16 February the French government decided to immediately approve 10.000 euros and thus contribute to evacuation actions of the population.

4.7 The Spanish Civil Protection Directorate has offered assistance with equipments listed below:

Nº	Quantity	Item	Description	Characteristics / capacity
1	250	Blanket	Acrylic	160x220 cms. 100% Polyester
2	50	Blanket	Acrylic	140x190 cms. 100% Polyester
3	50	Folding bed	Aluminum frame.	190x66x40 cms. Weight 5,6 kg
4	25	Folding table	Metallic frame.	140x80 cms.
5	100	Sleeping bag	Polyamide/cotton	Fiber 300 gr./m2
6	3	Air Heater	Electric & diesel engine driven	65.000 kcal/h
7	5	Air Heater	Electric & diesel engine driven	35.000 kcal/h
8	3	Air Heater	Electric & diesel engine driven	25.000 kcal/h

The offer has been accepted by Montenegro.

**Nations are invited to offer assistance to transport this donation from Spain to Montenegro.**

If the shipment is transported to Montenegro by truck, it can be picked up at the Spanish Civil Protection School (Motorway A-3 from Madrid to Valencia, Exit nº 19). In case of transportation by air, the shipment would be previously positioned by Spanish Civil protection at Torrejon Air Force Base (Madrid).

The shipment is ready for pick up at the Civil Protection School. In case of air transportation, the shipment would be ready at the Air Base in two days notice.

The shipment is comprised by 9 euro-pallets plus the 11 air heaters. Total weight is 2500 kg. Total volume is 20 cubic meters

Nations in a position to provide transport assistance are requested to contact the EADRCC.

#### **5. Points of Entry:**

5.1 Air - the International Airport Golubovci in Podgorica is reopened and operational. The International Airport in the town Tivat at the seaside is also operational. The land line communication from Tivat to the Capital is passable.

5.2 Sea - the Port of Bar. The land line communication from the Port to the Capital is temporary passable.

5.3 Land lines of communication are not recommended for delivery, as the train connection is interrupted and main roads, eventhough open, are not operational for all categories of vehicles. Any land movement must be coordinated with POCs given below.



6. The Operational Point of Contact in Montenegro can be reached in the following ways:

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7. Response co-ordination.

7.1. 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.

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

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

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