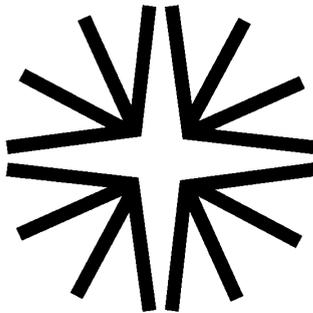


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## **EADRCC SITUATION REPORT N° 1 FLOODS - ALBANIA**

### **1. Update on the situation in Albania**

1.1 As a consequence of torrential rain, 12 of Albania's prefectures have been affected by floods with subsequent damage to houses, hospitals, roads, bridges, school facilities as well as water pumping and distributing systems. Power outages and interruptions in water supply have worsened the situation. Throughout the country, several villages cannot be accessed by road as a result of blockages created by land and rockslides or heavily damaged roads.

1.2. To date, an area of 11,000 ha has been inundated and 67,000 persons affected. So far, some 10,000 persons have been evacuated. Damaged bridges now total 23 and 46 permanent water pumping facilities are presently out of order. Thankfully, there has been no loss of life so far.

1.3. Weather forecast for next 72 hours. Albania territory will be mostly cloudy with further rainfalls and storms. The country will experience normal winds with occasional gusts from the Southwest. Temperature highs and lows will vary from 10 to 19 degrees Celsius in mountainous areas and from 16 to 22 degrees in the lower areas.

### **2. National response**

2.1. On 22 September, Albania's Prime Minister has declared a state of emergency in 9 provinces for a period of 15 days. A National emergency commission has been set up at the national level. It consists of representatives from all ministries. Emergency commissions led by Local Emergency Management Authorities (LEMA) have been established in all affected regions and at all levels.

2.2. Military forces and civil protection assets consisting of 1162 personnel as well as 85 vehicles and heavy machinery have been deployed to remove land and rock slides from major state roads, to restore electricity and water supply and to reinforce river banks. KFOR has provided helicopters for reconnaissance as well as personnel and vehicles for humanitarian assistance and also road clearance. Emergency crews have begun the clearing of riverbeds.

2.3. State Reservists as well as private donors have distributed food items. The Albanian Red Cross has distributed 450 blankets and 1 ton of tin food-supplies. A total of 2450 persons are involved with disaster assistance.



### 3. Outstanding requirements for assistance

3.1. No change from the list provided in our 26 September Request for Assistance. Further clarifications or specifics on some of the requests are forthcoming from Albanian authorities.

### 4. Assistance provided

	Description	Effective Date	Quantity
<b>Belgium</b>			
4.1.	Food	28 Sep 02 AM	2 euro pallets
4.2.	Water	"	6 euro pallets
4.3.	Blankets	"	2,600
4.4.	Sandbags	"	74,000
<b>Czech Republic</b>			
4.5.	Emergency funds	To Be Announced (TBA)	\$ US 30,000
<b>Greece</b>			
4.6.	Tents	Delivered	80
4.7.	Blankets	"	500
<b>Italy</b>			
4.8.	Food	"	5 tons
4.9.	Beds	"	102
4.10.	Mattresses	"	340
4.11.	Blankets	Delivered	2,471
4.12.	Emergency funding for the rehabilitation of electrical network	TBA	€1.5-2million
<b>Switzerland</b>			
4.13.	Support to the rehabilitation of infrastructure , schools, health centres in the Lezha and Shkodra prefectures	Ongoing	
<b>Turkey</b>			
4.14.	Food	Ongoing	100 families
4.15.	Tents	"	50
4.16.	Blankets	"	1,480

### 5. Points of entry and border crossings

5.1. Airport. Rinas International (25 km form Tirana)

5.2. Seaport. Durres

5.3. Border crossings.

5.3.1. Greece. Kakavij

5.3.2. FYROM<sup>1</sup>. Tushemisht

5.3.3. FRY – Montenegro. Hani I Hotit

<sup>1</sup> Turkey recognises the Republic of Macedonia with its constitutional name



5.3.4. FRY – Kosovo. Morine

## 6. Operational Point of Contact.

6.1. The point of contact on the 26 September Request for Assistance should be amended to reflect that the Albanian Ministry of Economy is the co-ordinating authority for all international assistance contributions. However, it is requested that a copy of all correspondence be sent to the office of Mr. Kaplani, at the Ministry for Local Government and Decentralisation.

6.2. POC for international assistance contribution.

Name: Mr. Nano (Andi)  
Organization: Ministry of Economy  
Telephone: + 355/424 03 63 / 434 03 62  
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Operating Hours: 24/7

6.3. Copy of correspondence as follows.

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E-mail: Ercarmen@yahoo.com  
Operating Hours: 24/7

## 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 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 below.

7.2. The EADRCC is in close contact with the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UN-OCHA) in Geneva and the Albania Mission to NATO.

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

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