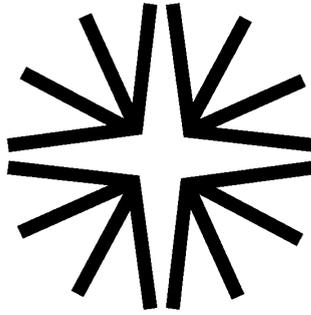


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EADRCC URGENT REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FLOODS/CZECH REPUBLIC

1. In accordance with the procedures at reference, the EADRCC has received this morning – 14 August 2002 - a disaster assistance request from the Czech Republic. The following information was provided by the stricken country in its request.

2. General Situation

Type of the disaster	: Flood
Location of the disaster	: Southern Bohemia
Estimated number of persons affected	: 200.000 evacuated

3. Initial Assessment of the damage and description of the situation

3.1. Prague and Southern Bohemia and some other areas of the Czech Republic have been stricken by major floods. A number of other cities, towns and villages have been flooded.

3.2. As the meteorological situation is not improving, other parts of country are in the danger of flooding. More than 200.000 people have been evacuated from their houses so far.

3.3. Rescue operations are being coordinated by the Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic

4. The following requirements for assistance have been identified and are urgently needed:

4.1. **Portable dryers for drying damp houses, mainly condensation dryers**

4.2. **Floating pumps with an internal combustion engine**

4.3. **Electric submersible pumps**



5. Contact information

5.1. The Operational Point of Contact in affected area can be contacted in the following way:

Organization: General Directorate of the Fire and Rescue Service of the Czech Republic
Telephone: +420-2-61424030 or +420-2-61424031
Fax: +420-2-61424035 or +420-2-24232321
Operating Hours: 24 hours
E-mail Rhzs.opis@grh.izscr.cz

5.2. Nations in a position to meet these requirement, please, send your offers of the equipment mentioned above to the Operational Point of Contact, with an information copy tot he EADRCC.

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

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