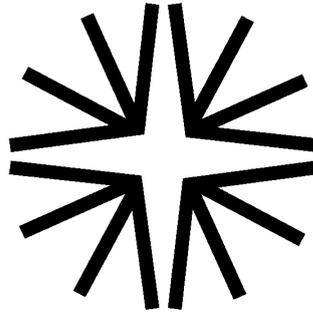


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EADRCC SITUATION REPORT N° 5 ON THE FLOOD/CZECH REPUBLIC

1. Update on the Situation in the Czech Republic

1.1. Cleaning works after the worst flood hitting the Czech Republic in over a century are now starting. As the water level is decreasing, people who had been evacuated in since 12 August 2002, are now slowly returning to their houses. A total of ten regions of the Czech Republic (43 district territories) have been affected by the flood. In six regions (37 districts) the State of Emergency is still in force. A total of 200.000 people were evacuated during these floods. In the course of the rescue operations, almost 2.000 persons were rescued using boats, helicopters and other techniques.

1.2. Since our previous report, water level in the upper part of the Vltava River has continuously been decreasing. The present water level in the Vltava River in Prague is 3,25 metres, which represents a decrease of 4,60 metres since its culmination point. The water flow in Prague is now down to 1.780 cubic metres per seconds. Also, in all other major rivers, water levels are decreasing. In Usti nad Labem the Labe River reached its highest point yesterday noon (11,85 metres); since then, the water level has slowly decreased and at 15.00 hour the water level had gone down to 10,82 meters. Also in Decin, where the river culminated (12,30 metres) during the previous night, at 15.00 the water had dropped to 11,55 metres.

1.3. It is anticipated that the situation will continue to improve, as the expected precipitation in most part of the country will be minimal, with the only rainfall in the Bohemian territory (up to 7 mm, with locally 20 mm), and the Moravia and Silesia territories (up to 5 mm).

2. National Response

2.1. All Rescue operations have been coordinated by the Ministry of the Interior. A total of 3.500 professional fire fighters and 7.800 voluntary fire fighters are engaged in the operations, using approximately 2.000 vehicles and other technical equipment.

2.2. The EADRCC is working closely with the Delegation of the Czech Republic to NATO, to assist in the coordination of the assistance to the stricken nation.

Situation in Other Countries in Central Europe

3. Although this report primarily covers the situation in the Czech Republic, other countries in the region are also suffering from these devastating floods.

3.1. In the **German** city of Dresden, the level of the Elbe River is receding slightly. In other parts of east Germany however, water levels continue to rise, forcing more people to



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evacuate. In many areas the flood is causing damage, and in Bitterfeld a large complex of chemical factories is half under water. According to the German Federal Ministry of Interior, 4.2 million people are affected by this flood.

3.2. In the **Slovak Republic**, the situation has returned to normal; dealing with the aftermath of the flood will be done with existing national resources. The water level of the Danube River is continuously decreasing. This morning at 09.00, the water level in the Danube River was 6,90 metres, and it is expected that the level will decrease to 5,90 metres early Monday Morning.

3.3. In **Hungary**, the water levels of the Danube River have risen significantly. Sunday, at noon the water level Budapest had reached 8,32 meters, and is expected to rise another 40 to 50 centimetres. Water Management Authorities are expecting the highest level Sunday evening, when water level will reach 8,75. Disaster Management and Municipal authorities have established flood protective measures. As a preventive measure, ferries on the Danube River have been stopped since Saturday. As of today, 1.748 persons were evacuated from the most affected areas. Almost 19.500 persons and more than 1.150 vehicles and equipment are involved in the protection activities.

4. Outstanding requirements for assistance

4.1. The Czech Local Emergency Management Authority indicated that the following requirements for assistance are still outstanding:

| | Description | Effective Date |
|--------|---|-----------------------|
| 4.1.1. | Small portable dryers (mainly condensation dryers) for drying Damp houses | Immediate requirement |
| 4.1.2. | Vaccines against Hepatitis A | As soon as possible |
| 4.1.3. | Chlorine-based disinfectants and cleaning products | As soon as possible |
| 4.1.4. | Insect repellents for disinfecting of larger areas | As soon as possible |
| 4.1.5. | A heavy floating crane (100 tons, with tugboat) | As soon as possible |

5. Assistance provided

5.1. The EADRCC has been informed that the following assistance has been or will be offered to the **Czech Republic**:

| | Description | Date | Quantity |
|----------------|--|----------|----------|
| Belgium | | | |
| 5.1.1. | An engineer team with drying equipment | 14-08-02 | 7 people |
| 5.1.2. | Individual civil protection kits | 15-08-02 | 10 pcs |
| 5.1.3. | Electrical pumps | 15-08-02 | 15 pcs |
| 5.1.4. | Pumps with combustion engine | 15-08-02 | 15 pcs |
| 5.1.5. | High pumps (70 m ³ / hour) | 14-08-02 | 2 pcs |

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| | Description | Date | Quantity |
|--------------------|---|----------|------------|
| 5.1.6. | Small Pumps (12 m ³ / hour) | 14-08-02 | 5 pcs |
| 5.1.7. | Hot air cannons (90.000 Kcal / hour) | 14-08-02 | 4 pcs |
| 5.1.8. | Hot air cannons (45.000 Kcal / hour) | 14-08-02 | 4 pcs |
| Croatia | | | |
| 5.1.9. | Pumps | 17-08-02 | 20 pcs |
| Denmark | | | |
| 5.1.10. | High capacity electrical submersible pumps with a total capacity of 36.000 litres/minute + various generators, cables, hoses etc. operated by a 12 man team | 15-08-02 | 6 pcs |
| Finland | | | |
| 5.1.11. | Dryers | 19-08-02 | 35 pcs |
| 5.1.12. | Floating pumps | 19-08-02 | 3 pcs |
| 5.1.13. | Electric submersible pumps | 19-08-02 | 205 pcs |
| France | | | |
| 5.1.14. | Persons with unspecified equipment | 15-08-02 | 10 |
| 5.1.15. | Blankets | 15-08-02 | 3 tons |
| 5.1.16. | Portable pumps | 16-08-02 | 49 pcs |
| 5.1.17. | Portable pumps | 17-08-02 | 150 pcs |
| Germany | | | |
| 5.1.18. | Portable dryers (through German Red Cross) | 16-08-02 | 300.000 € |
| 5.1.19. | Portable dryers (through ADRA Germany) | 16-08-02 | 150.000 € |
| 5.1.20. | Plaids, folding beds, gas cookers, etc. (through "Arbeiter-Samariter-Bund" (ASB)) | 16-08-02 | 100.000 € |
| 5.1.21. | Portable dryers (through Caritas International Germany) | 16-08-02 | 100.000 € |
| Greece | | | |
| 5.1.22. | Portable floating pumps | 15-08-02 | 20 pcs |
| 5.1.23. | Portable electric submersible pumps | 15-08-02 | 30 pcs |
| 5.1.24. | Personnel | 15-08-02 | 3 |
| Hungary | | | |
| 5.1.25. | Blankets, Rubber Boots, Detergents, Disinfectants and personal hygienic materials | 18-08-02 | 40.000 USD |
| Italy | | | |
| 5.1.26. | Dryers | 20-08-02 | 367 pcs |
| 5.1.27. | Portable Pumps | 20-08-02 | 85 pcs |
| Latvia | | | |
| 5.1.28. | Portable pumps with combustion engine | 16-08-02 | 7 pcs |
| Luxembourg | | | |
| 5.1.29. | An emergency grant | 16-08-02 | 500.000 € |
| Netherlands | | | |
| 5.1.30. | Pumps | 17-08-02 | 100 pcs |
| Poland | | | |

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| Description | Date | Quantity |
|---|----------|------------|
| 5.1.31. Self-sufficient team of 70 fire fighters special pumping equipment and other necessary equipment. | 18-08-02 | |
| 5.1.32. Portable dryers | 18-08-02 | 150 pcs |
| Slovak Republic | | |
| 5.1.33. Portable pumps | 16-08-02 | 24 pcs |
| Slovenia | | |
| 5.1.34. Electric submersible pumps | 17-08-02 | 20 pcs |
| Sweden | | |
| 5.1.35. 56 Dryers and 59 mud pumps (also 9 personnel for instruction) | 16-08-02 | 541.000 € |
| Switzerland | | |
| 5.1.36. Electrical Submersible Pumps | 17-08-02 | 100 pcs |
| 5.1.37. Dryers | 17-08-02 | 80 pcs |
| 5.1.38. Generators | 17-08-02 | 4 pcs |
| United States of America | | |
| 5.1.39. An emergency grant through the Czech Red Cross, for the purchase of emergency relief commodities. | 15-08-02 | 50,000 USD |
| 5.1.40. Pumps | 17-08-02 | 3 pcs |
| 5.1.41. Various humanitarian items | 17-08-02 | 27.000 USD |

5.2. In addition, **Belarus**, **Belgium** and **Italy** have offered to the Czech Republic high capacity pumps an/or rescue personnel. However, the Czech Republic indicated to the offering countries that there are no current requirements for these disaster response capabilities.

5.3. In addition to the EAPC Nations listed above, Israel has offered 45 pumps and other material, which will arrive on 20 august 2002.

5.4. Although **Germany** did not appeal for international assistance, the EADRCC has been informed about the following assistance offered to Germany, to assist with the floods in the Eastern Part the country:

| Description | Date | Quantity |
|--------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Netherlands | | |
| 5.4.1. Sandbags | t.b.d | 500.000 |
| Switzerland | | |
| 5.4.2. Sandbags | t.b.d. | 500.000 |
| 5.4.3. In case of need more sandbags | t.b.d. | 500.000 |

6. Contact information

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

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7. Coordinated Response

7.1. With a view to providing a coordinated response to the remaining requirements of the stricken nation, nations in a position to meet these requirements, in full or in part, are invited to reply the Operational Point of Contact mentioned above, with an info copy to the EADRCC, by any of the means of communication listed below:

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

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