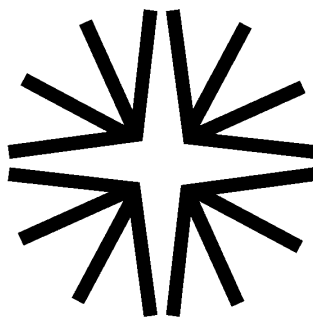


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**EADRCC SITUATION REPORT #12**

**COVID-19**

Message Nbr. : OPS(EADRCC)(2020)0095  
Date & time : 15 May 2020, 14:00 UTC  
From: : Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Centre  
To : Points of Contact for International Disaster Response in NATO and  
partner countries  
Precedence : Priority  
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References : OPS(EADRCC)(2020)0092, 6 May 2020 (SITREP #11)

**1. General situation**

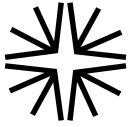
Type of the Disaster : COVID-19 pandemic  
Date and Time the Disaster occurred : Ongoing  
Location of the Disaster : NATO Allied and partner nations, and others

1.1. This situation report only highlights confirmed developments since the last EADRCC Situation Report (OPS(EADRCC)(2020)0092). Except for the summary in paragraphs 1.2 and 1.3, previously reported information is not included in this report. An overview of outstanding requests is available in Enclosure 1, attached to this document.

1.2. So far, seven allied and eight partner nations have requested international assistance through the Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Centre (EADRCC). In chronological order of requesting, these are: Ukraine, Spain, Montenegro, Italy, Albania, the Republic of North Macedonia, the Republic of Moldova, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Colombia, Slovenia, Afghanistan, Mongolia, Bulgaria, and Tunisia. In addition, the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UN OCHA) also requested international assistance through the EADRCC.

1.3. To date, thirteen requests for international assistance remain active. The requests for international assistance received from Spain on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020, from Italy on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2020 and from Slovenia on 14<sup>th</sup> April are now closed.

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**2. Closed requests for assistance**

2.1. No new closed requests to report.

**3. New requests for international assistance through the EADRCC**

3.1. On 05 May 2020, the **United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UN OCHA)** requested international assistance through the EADRCC). This request has now been distributed as OPS(EADRCC)(2020)0094).

**4. Update to existing requests for international assistance**

4.1. A revised request for **Ukraine** was distributed on 8 May (OPS(EADRCC)(2020)0065(REV1)).

4.2. A revised request for **Afghanistan** was distributed on 11 May (OPS(EADRCC)(2020)0085(REV2)).

4.3. A revised request for **Bosnia and Herzegovina** was distributed on 11 May (OPS(EADRCC)(2020)0074(REV1)).

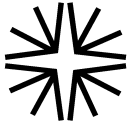
4.4. Allies and partners are highly encouraged to inform EADRCC when any requested support is received so that their requests for international assistance can be updated accordingly. This will help to ensure that assistance is provided in accordance with up-to-date requirements. Nations are also encouraged to prioritize their requirements where possible.

**5. Completed bilateral assistance in response to EADRCC requests**

5.1. **Hungary**, responding to the request for assistance made by **Montenegro** through the EADRCC, has delivered bilateral assistance to Montenegro. The assistance was personally handed over to the Montenegrin authorities by Mr. Péter Szijjártó, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Hungary on 12 May 2020 in Podgorica, and it consists of 50 000 masks and 2 500 protective overalls.

5.2. On 30 April 2020, the Government of **Romania** decided to provide 3.5 million Euros of humanitarian aid to the Republic of **Moldova**, covering:

- 500 000 protective masks FFP 2
- 25 000 protective suits
- 200 000 gloves
- 5 000 protective glasses



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- 5 000 protective visors
- Medicines: Hydroxychloroquine – 1 200 packs; Lopinavir and Ritonavir – 1600 packs
- 100 000 x 500 ml. bottles of medicinal alcohol
- 1 000 packs x 25 kg of Hydrogen peroxide.
- Isolation pods.

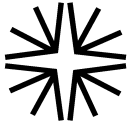
**6. Ongoing offers of bilateral assistance in response to EADRCC requests**

6.1. No new ongoing offers to report.

**7. Other bilateral assistance reported to the EADRCC**

7.1. **Finland** has reported the following activities.

- Finland has increased its funding for the World Health Organization (WHO) by restoring its voluntary funding to the 2015 level of EUR 5.5 million. In addition, Finland has granted EUR 1 million in funding to the WHO's COVID-19 Strategic Preparedness and Response Plan.
- Finland participates in the development of the coronavirus vaccine by supporting international non-profit organisations Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI) and International Vaccine Institute (IVI) with a total of EUR 5 million, and the global vaccine alliance Gavi with EUR 2.5 million.
- Finland has increased its humanitarian assistance and supported the United Nations COVID-19 Global Humanitarian Response Plan (GHRP) with EUR 2.17 million and the COVID-19 response of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) with EUR 1 million. In addition, Finland has pledged EUR 10 million in additional humanitarian aid addressing the coronavirus pandemic.
- Finland has granted EUR 400 000 through the Finnish Red Cross to Italy for combating the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Finland has so far redirected around EUR 3 million support from development cooperation programmes and projects of Finnish CSOs to pandemic-related activities.
- Finland has offered intensive care treatment capacity to the Nordic countries and provided intensive care medication to Sweden based on the Nordic Public Health Preparedness Agreement.

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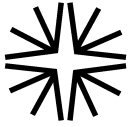
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- Finland has contributed EUR 200 000 to the IAEA for the provision of COVID-19 test kits to assist member states in strengthening diagnostic capacity.
- Finland continues to look into possibilities of responding positively to requests for in-kind assistance.

7.2. In addition to the assistance described in paragraph above, **Romania** has provided the following information regarding its bilateral assistance to Moldova.

- On 28 April 2020, the Romanian authorities approved the participation of a Romanian medical team of 52 persons, of 41 medical doctors and nurses, in support of combating the COVID-19 epidemic in the Republic of Moldova. The medical team consists of participants from Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of Health and Ministry of National Defence. The Romanian team arrived in the Republic of Moldova on 30 April and their mission will last 15 days. Romanian Foreign Minister Bogdan Aurescu joined the Romanian medical team to Chisinau at the commencement of this mission. During this visit, the Romanian Minister of Foreign Affairs expressed support for the citizens of the Republic of Moldova, highlighted the Romanian support and also the EU's consistent and substantial contribution to fighting COVID-19 and supporting economic recovery.
- RoAid foresees the refocusing of the budget of development assistance offered to the Republic of Moldova towards health projects of approximately 80 000 Euros.
- On 17 April 2020, the Ministry of National Defence in cooperation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs facilitated the repatriation of a soldier from the Republic of Moldova from the EU training mission in Mali;
- On 4 April 2020, 64 citizens of the Republic of Moldova were repatriated from the United Arab Emirates, through a special flight on the Dubai-Chisinau-Bucharest route, operated by a Romanian private company and facilitated by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Romania.
- Between 23 March and 8 May 2020, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Romania approved the transit of the territory of Romania (in strict compliance with the measures taken by the Romanian authorities in the context of COVID-19) for more than 1 000 citizens of the Republic of Moldova.
- The Association of Romanian Investors in the Republic of Moldova donated protective equipment for the personnel working at the border crossing points. The first lot (approximately 25 000 Euros) was donated on 17 April 2020; a second lot was delivered on 24 April.
- Through various local authorities and NGOs, Romania provided to the Republic of Moldova support consisting of financial means or/and medical equipment (for

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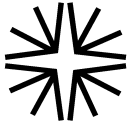
example, 50 000 protective visors for medical staff in the Republic of Moldova; 40 000 Euros for the Chisinau City Hall).

7.3. **Romania** has reported the following other activities.

- Romania has made a 200 000 EUR pledge in the Global Coronavirus Response organized by the President of the European Commission on May 4th.
- Romania has deployed volunteer medical staff in support of the medical system in Italy, at Lecco hospital near Bergamo, under the aegis of the Civil Protection Mechanism of the European Union.
- Experts from the Ministry of Health have participated in webinars organized by South Korea in order to gain experience in managing responses to COVID-19.
- Romania is participating in the trial of Favipiravir (Avigan) – a Japanese medicine.
- Romania was the first to use the Strategic Airlift Capability developed by the Alliance to transport medical equipment from South Korea on March 27 and April 8.
- The national company UNIFARM has coordinated efforts in facilitating the arrival in Romania of various shipments of medical equipment from China, Turkey, Vietnam, India, Sweden, the Netherlands, etc.
- Romania has responded to each request of transit of humanitarian convoys; the latest such transit took place on the 10th of May at the request of Slovakia.
- Romania agreed to host the first rescEU, a strategic regional hub to distribute the necessary medical equipment for healthcare workers. The medical equipment is purchased by the European Commission via the Emergency Support Instrument. Already four successful missions have been organized in Spain, Italy, Montenegro and the Republic of North Macedonia, where medical equipment from the rescEU facility located in Bucharest was delivered with the help of Romanian authorities.
- Romania facilitated the return from MENA countries of both EU and non-EU citizens: from Morocco, Iraq, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, and Lebanon.
- Romania plans to facilitate the return from Romania of 91 Lebanese, 153 Tunisian and 14 Egyptian citizens.
- For its own citizens, Romania has facilitated 14 flights from EU member states as well as flights from other areas.

7.4. **Poland** provided assistance to the Vatican City on 8 May. This includes 735 000 masks, 34 000 litres of sanitizing liquid, and 10 000 protective suits which will be transferred to local services and Italian citizens and residents in need, in the framework of the Vatican's charity programmes.

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7.5. **Slovakia** has reported the following bilateral assistance in the form of approved micro-grants focused on COVID-19.

**MOLDOVA**

Beneficiary: Drochia District Hospital "Nicolae Testemitanu"

Amount: € 10 000

Objective: To improve the health care conditions of the hospital in city of Drochia. It is planned to purchase a diesel generator for the production of electricity, and multifunctional hospital beds for the hospital in Drochia.

Beneficiary: Center for Prevention and Control of AIDS and Infectious Diseases

Amount: € 10 000

Objective: Purchase of a specialized analytical instrument for testing biological samples for the presence of COVID-19. It is planned to purchase a specialized medical analyzer for testing samples for COVID-19 and other infectious diseases.

Beneficiary: Public Health Facility Ceadir-Lunga District Hospital

Amount: € 9 985

Objective: To improve the health care conditions of the hospital in Ceadir-Lunga in Gagauz, by purchasing 35 medical devices. It is planned to purchase 11 oxygen concentrators, 20 pulse oximeters and 4 pcs of monitoring devices for the patients' general condition for the hospital in Ceadir-Lunga.

Beneficiary: Institute of Emergency Medicine, Chisinau

Amount: € 10 000

Objective: To improve health care conditions at the Institute of Emergency Medicine, which has currently 56 beds for patients with COVID-19. It is planned to purchase 9 pieces of specialized medical devices from the micro grant; of which are 4 pieces of laryngoscopes for patient intubation, 4 pieces of pulse oximeters and 1 piece of oxygen sensor for surgeries.

**KENYA**

Beneficiary: Taita Taveta County Government-Health Department

Amount: € 10 000

Objective: As part of the activities, it is planned to purchase and distribute 5,000 pieces of protective clothing, 2 000 pieces of protective masks and 3 000 L of hand disinfectants to containment centers.

Beneficiary: Meru County Government

Amount: € 10 000

Objective: It is planned to purchase and distribute 10 000 reusable protective face masks and 16 pcs of infrared thermometers to hospitals in the province of Meru.

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Beneficiary: St. Bakhita House of Hope

Amount: € 9 998

Objective: As part of the activities, 20 sewing machines and material for sewing protective drapes will be purchased. 43 000 pieces of protective cotton drapes will be sewn. Another activity will be the creation of 20 new jobs for women and single mothers, which will make a positive contribution to raising their standard of living in difficult times.

GEORGIA

Beneficiary: Charitable Foundation "Caritas Georgia"

Amount: € 9 938.05

Objective: Purchase of 160 L of hand sanitizers, 10 packs of protective masks, protective clothing and protective gloves, 140 protective shields and 7 packs of thermometers. Purchased protective equipment will be provided for Caritas employees and volunteers so that they can carry out their work during the virus.

Beneficiary: Vocational training and retraining centre - Farmers School

Amount: € 5 700

Objective: In the first phase, the activities will identify the needs of small farmers during the COVID-19 pandemic and then the necessary seeds, pesticides and fertilizers will be purchased. Another activity is professional advice for farmers and support for small farmers, who often provide food for the whole family during this period.

3. Beneficiary: People in Need

Amount: € 10 000

Objective: To procure hygiene supplies and aids for 3 medical facilities in GE. 812 L of disinfectants, 5 500 pieces of protective masks, 5 430 pieces of protective clothing, 5 430 pieces of protective shoe covers, 5 500 pieces of gloves and 180 pieces of protective goggles will be purchased.

Beneficiary: NGO

Amount: € 8 570

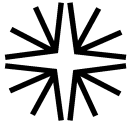
Objective: It is planned to create an online platform together with an order form where it will be possible to offer and order crops and other products. A mobile shop will be set up for the municipalities of Ozurgeti, Chokhatauri and Lanchkhuti. The project of the mobile shop aims to help citizens in the fight against COVID-19 with online shopping opportunities.

Beneficiary: NGO Together for Real Changes

Amount: € 9 990

Objective: To improve conditions in the fight against COVID-19 in the Racha region

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by purchasing a car to deliver medical devices to remote areas in the Racha region. It is also planned to distribute leaflets with information about the virus and possibly also to distribute food. Another activity is the purchase of three mobile phones for the elderly, who live in the most remote areas and do not have the opportunity to communicate.

**NORTH MACEDONIA**

Beneficiary: Dobredoje, North Macedonia Welcome Centre

Amount: € 10 000

Objective: Preparation, printing and distribution of 5,000 pieces of promotional materials about the COVID-19 virus, purchase and distribution of 10 000 pieces of protective masks, 80 pieces of disinfectants and 60 pieces of waste bins for disadvantaged communities around Skopje.

Beneficiary: Dobredoje, North Macedonia Welcome Centre

Amount: € 10 000

Objective: Purchase and distribution of 50 L disinfectants, 50 L detergents, 100 pcs of protective workwear, 100 pcs of drapes with a high degree of protection for staff, 100 pcs of disposable drapes and 35 pcs of work footwear for the pediatric clinic in Skopje.

**UKRAINE**

Beneficiary: NGO - Carpathian Agency of Human Rights

Amount: € 7 000

Objective: The micro grant will serve as an aid for three hospitals in the Transcarpathian region, by purchasing 600 FFP3 pcs of respirators, 72 reusable protective suits for paramedics and 3 pieces of frames for disinfecting suits - one for each hospital.

**KOSOVO**

Beneficiary: Forum for Leadership and Diplomacy, NGO

Amount: € 9 210

Objective: To provide 15 sewing machines and tailoring material (fabric, threads, rubber bands, scissors, needles) for Kosovo women who will sew protective masks / drapes for subsequent distribution to several Kosovo municipalities.

**BHUTAN**

Recipient: Zamin Friends Forever, NGO

Amount: € 9 857

Objective: The objective of the project is the production and subsequent distribution of 46,000 protective drapes for front-line workers, monasteries and a vulnerable population in the affected area, as well as the training of 30 women (including 27



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women prisoners) to make drapes. The project combines SlovakAid support with the Austrian ADA. The Austrian side is contributing € 10 000, and additional funding from SlovakAid will make it possible to expand the production of drapes and at the same time continue to produce hygienic material for women living in monasteries.

**LEBANON**

Recipient: Development Association for Life and Peace

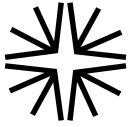
Amount: EUR 9 945,95

Objective: Provision of medical and rescue equipment for volunteer rescuers from the Chouf area during the COVID-19 pandemic. The group of volunteers provides medical assistance to the local population as well as to the Syrian refugees living in the region, and where the COVID-19 conditions are deteriorating. The applicant plans to purchase an electric extractor, a defibrillator with accessories, folding stretchers and equipment to transport the injured.

7.6. The United States has reported the following bilateral assistance.

- Via US EUCOM:
  - Medical supply support to Armenia on 6 May, delivering 520 sets of PPE, which comprised a total of 52,000 disposable gloves, 5,200 respirator masks, 520 pairs of over boots, 520 hazmat gowns, and 520 sets of goggles. These items were donated to the Armenian Ministry of Emergency Situations in support of COVID-19 mitigation.
  - 732 five-litre containers of hand and surface sanitizer to Latvian health authorities to assist in their efforts to tackle the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Via USAID:
  - \$1.5 million to assist Jordan's response to the COVID-19 outbreak. This assistance will support infection prevention and control to stop the spread of the disease, as well as laboratory strengthening for large-scale testing of COVID-19. The United States also is spearheading donor support to the Government of Jordan, coordinating life-saving assistance and prioritizing investments to respond rapidly now and to plan ahead as the threat evolves.
  - \$5.3 million to help Lebanon respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. This assistance will support private health facilities to properly triage, manage, and refer patients; ensure continuity of essential health services; carry out risk communication and community outreach activities, and increase access to water, sanitation, and hygiene.
  - \$25.6 million to help Iraq respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. This assistance will help prepare laboratories, implement a public-health emergency plan for points of entry, activate case finding and disease surveillance, provide access to water, sanitation, and hygiene, and more.

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- More than \$1.6 million to help Kazakhstan respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. This assistance will prepare laboratories, prevent and control infections, improve COVID-19 surveillance and rapid response, improve case management, combat disinformation about the virus, and engage communities to work together to fight the virus. USAID also provided critically needed personal protective equipment on 17 March: 10 000 examination gloves, 10 000 masks, 1400 isolation gowns, and 200 protective goggles.
- Approximately \$900,000 to help Kyrgyzstan respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. This assistance will support infection control, disease prevention, detection, lab support, diagnosis, treatment, and public information. USAID also provided critically needed personal protective equipment on 11 March: 10 000 masks, 10 000 gloves, 1 400 gowns, and 200 protective goggles.

**8. Response coordination:**

8.1. The EADRCC stands ready to assist in the coordination of any offers being considered in support of the stricken nations and UN OCHA, and can be reached by.

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8.5. EADRCC would like to remind nations of the possibility of using available unused space on planned military flights. It is not feasible to forecast in detail what space may be available, on which dates, between which locations. However nations who have a requirement may contact EADRCC.

8.6. NATO's Public Diplomacy Division is seeking photographs related to COVID-19 assistance activities, to illustrate products such as web stories and fact sheets. Please provide the EADRCC team (through the EADRCC mailbox) with any relevant photographs and details that would meet this request.

9. The next EADRCC situation report will be issued when warranted by developments i.e. requests, offers, and contributions.

Enclosure 1: Overview of outstanding requests