EADRCC SITUATION REPORT #15
COVID-19

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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)0098). Except for the summary in paragraphs 1.2
and 1.3, previously reported information is not included in this report.

1.2. So far, seven allied and nine 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, Tunisia and Iraq. 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, fourteen requests for international assistance remain active. The requests
for international assistance received from Spain on 23rd March 2020, from Italy on 26th March
2020 and from Slovenia on 14th April are now closed.
2. **Closed requests for assistance**
   2.1. No new closed requests to report.

3. **New requests for international assistance through the EADRCC**
   3.1. No new requests to report.

4. **Update to existing requests for international assistance**
   4.1. The **Republic of Moldova** has provided an update to its request for assistance. The revised request for assistance was distributed separately with reference number OPS(EADRCC)(2020)0071(REV7).
   4.2. **North Macedonia** has provided an update to its request for assistance. The revised request for assistance was distributed separately with reference number OPS(EADRCC)(2020)0070(REV4).
   4.3. 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. The EADRCC further encourages nations to assess whether international assistance is still required under current circumstances or whether their requests can be closed at this time.

5. **Completed bilateral assistance in response to EADRCC requests**
   5.1. **Poland** has reported the following assistance:
   - On May 18 Poland sent 50,000 protective masks and 1,000 l of sanitizing liquid to **Bosnia and Herzegovina**. The initiative of Polish National Security Bureau has been realized by Polish Military Contingent in Bosnia and Herzegovina.
   - Back in March 2020, the Representation of Solidarity Fund PL adapted its action plan to support the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic, among others in **Moldova**. It mobilised an Emergency Fund for intervention measures, including the purchase of protective and medical equipment, and adjusted its mechanisms for cooperation with local partners. The Fund amount is EUR 50,000. The money will support local entrepreneurs in transforming their activities, thus saving jobs. So far, the Fund has purchased: 16,380 protective masks, 800 protective suits, 3,800 l of
disinfectant, 50 sprayers, 27 pieces of small medical equipment, and 37 oxygen concentrators.

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

6.1. Poland has reported the following assistance:

- Based on the request of assistance made by the authorities of Iraq and on the initiative of the President of the Republic of Poland in cooperation with the Chancellery of the Prime Minister, the Ministry of National Defense and Ministry of Climate, Poland will provide Iraq with means to fight the Sars-Cov-2 pandemic (protective masks and disinfectant liquid). The Polish Embassy in Baghdad has informed the Iraqi authorities about the donation. Protective masks have already been handed over to the command of the Polish Military Contingent in Iraq (May 26, 2020), currently arrangements are being made regarding the time and place of their donation. The disinfectant liquid will be delivered by another military transport scheduled for July 6, 2020.

7. Other bilateral assistance reported to the EADRCC

7.1. Lithuania, in response to the request for international assistance from Belarus, reported that on 3 June, the Government of Lithuania adopted a resolution allocating EUR 50,000 from the State reserve to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to provide humanitarian assistance to Belarus in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic. The allocated funds will be used to purchase personal protective equipment manufactured in Lithuania.

7.2. The United States reported the following bilateral assistance via USAID:

- $3.9 million to help Senegal respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. This assistance will go toward risk communication, water and sanitation, infection prevention and control, public health messaging, and more.

- Approximately $4 million to help Cambodia respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. This assistance will help the government prepare laboratory systems, activate case-finding and event-based surveillance, and support technical experts for response and preparedness, and more.

- Nearly $5.9 million to help India respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. This assistance will help the provide care for the affected, disseminate essential public health messages to communities, strengthen case finding and surveillance, and mobilize innovative financing mechanisms for emergency preparedness and response to this pandemic.
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- $570,000 to help Angola respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. USAID’s assistance will help limit human-to-human transmissions; identify, isolate and care for patients early; and communicate critical health information to the Angolan people.
- $750,000 to help Namibia respond to the COVID-19 outbreak.
- $1.7 million to help Rwanda respond to the COVID-19 outbreak. This assistance will support surveillance and case-management efforts.

7.3. On 21 April, the Government of Latvia allocated EUR 100,000 for aid in response to bilateral requests for assistance from Italy, Spain and San Marino and in order to contribute to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Latvia delivered 9,230 litres of disinfectant detergent to Italy and 2,160 litres to San Marino on 26 May. A similar shipment of 7,560 litres of disinfectant detergent was delivered to Spain on 3 June.

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:

8.2. Mobile phone: +32 475 82 90 71
8.3. E-mail: nato.eadrcc@hq.nato.int
8.4. Internet: https://www.nato.int/eadrcc/.
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.