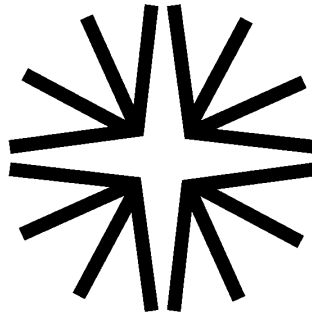


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EADRCC REQUEST FOR INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE

COVID-19

Message Nbr. : OPS(EADRCC)(2020)0113
Date & time : 7 September 2020, 13:45h UTC
From: : Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Centre
To : Points of Contact for International Disaster Response in NATO and partner countries
Precedence : Priority
Originator : EADRCC Action Officer Tel: +32 475 82 90 71
Reference : EAPC(C)D(98)10(Revised), EAPC(SCEPC)D(2007)0003

This request consists of 2 pages

1. In accordance with the procedures at reference, the EADRCC has received on Monday 31st August 2020, a request for international assistance. The following information was provided.

2. General situation

Type of the disaster : COVID-19
Date and time the disaster occurred : March 2020 and ongoing
Location of the disaster : Pristina region, Prizren and Gjakova

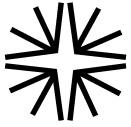
3. Initial assessment of the damage and description of the situation

3.1. Following a request by the Institutions in Kosovo, the Commander of the Kosovo Force (COM KFOR) has requested international assistance to help the latter in coping with the COVID-19 pandemic through the expansion of their medical response capacity. The appropriate military channels endorsed COM KFOR's request while concluding that the requested capabilities are not readily available through military channels and forwarded it to the International Staff.

3.2. The Kosovo medical capacity hinges on one clinic and seven regional hospitals and are insufficient to cope with about 200 new positive cases and 10 deaths per day. The total number of active cases is circa 4000.

3.3. All the Intensive Care Units are occupied. More than 700 medical doctors and specialists have been infected and medical supplies are running short. Medical oxygen is totally consumed.

3.4. Despite the restrictive measures introduced and the mobilization of health care workers for increased testing and treatment of patients, the epidemiologists do not predict a flex of the curve. On the contrary, it cannot be excluded that the effects of COVID-19 will be amplified by seasonal flu in the fall, resulting in a high risk of civil, social and security consequences that might spill over the boundaries.



4. **The following request for international assistance has been identified:**

- 4.1. 2 COVID-19 fully dedicated Medical Treatment Facilities, each with a capacity of 500 beds, to be deployed in the Pristina region and in Prizren or Gjakova.
- 4.2. 1 RT PRC laboratory.
- 4.3. 500 medical oxygen cylinders

5. **Points of entry:**

- 5.1. To be determined.

6. **Delivery point:**

- 6.1. To be determined.

7. **Response co-ordination.**

7.1. With a view to providing a coordinated response to the requirements expressed by the Commander of the Kosovo Force, nations in a position to meet these demands, in full or in part, are invited to reply to the Operational Point listed above, with an information copy to EADRCC, by any of the communication means listed above and below.

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

- 8.1. Mobile phone: +32 475 82 90 71
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