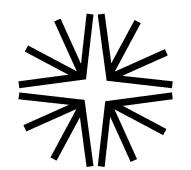
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1. In accordance with the procedures at reference, NATO received on 19 August 2014, a relief assistance request from the Iraqi Government.

The following information has been provided:

#### 2. General Situation

Type of the Disaster : Internally displaced persons (IDPs) crisis

Date and Time the Disaster occurred : June 2014

Location of the Disaster : Iraq

#### 3. Description of the situation.

- 3.1. Since the fall of the city of Mosul in Nineveh Governorate under the control of the so-called Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL), the humanitarian crisis in Iraq continues to rapidly evolve. Continuous fighting has caused a high level of displacement around Mosul in Ninewa governorate and in Kirkuk, Baghdad, Diyala, Saladin, and Anbar governorates.
- 3.2. The Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Principals met on 5 November 2014 and agreed to the requested Iraq "Level 3" (L3) (the highest level) extension for 6 months. The original declaration date for the L3 was 12 August 2014.





- 3.3. The humanitarian situation in Iraq has been deteriorating rapidly in the last months with the escalation of the armed conflict. The United Nations (UN) estimates that at least 23 million people are affected by the conflict with 5.2 million people in need of humanitarian assistance. Amongst them, 1.8 million IDPs since January 2014 and 3.6 million living in active conflict areas, of which, at least 2.2 million are in immediate need of humanitarian aid. Access in many parts of western and central Iraq is severely constrained, affecting the ability of partners to deliver humanitarian assistance.
- 3.4. The UN has declared the crisis in Iraq to be at the highest level of humanitarian emergency, on par with Syria, South Sudan, and Central African Republic.
- 3.5. <u>Preparing for Winter in Iraq</u>: As the weather conditions change with the seasons, many of the displaced are still living in the open or unfinished buildings, public and school buildings or informal settlements. In many areas of the country, displaced people are already being hit with heavy rains, winds, storms and low temperatures. In the Kurdish Region of northern Iraq, winter has already arrived in Dohuk governorate. By December, temperatures can range from 5 degrees Celsius in more temperate areas to minus 16 degrees Celsius in the mountains.

Throughout Iraq, 1.26 million IDPs are in need of shelter and non-food item (NFI) interventions combined. An estimated 600,000 people are in need of immediate winterisation assistance. The UN is calling for 173.1 million USD to address the immediate needs of 1.26 million people across Iraq in need of assistance over winter.

3.6. <u>Children in Iraq crisis:</u> Report from United Nations Iraq (UN Iraq) tells that children represent a high proportion of the IDPs and trapped people. Iraqi IDP children have experienced a wide variety of attacks and grave human rights violations and are facing the risk of violent attacks, no access or limited access to water and food, no or limited access to basic resources, lack of safe environment, increased risk of exploitation including child labor.

Between January and September 2014 and excluding Anbar province for which figures are not available, a total of 7,715 civilians were killed and another 12,297 were injured in acts of terrorism and violence nationwide, according to the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI) and the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR). This includes 521 children killed and 379 injured.

Of the over 1.8 million people displaced in Iraq, more than 640,000 are between 4 and 17 years-old and require access to education. Nearly 300,000 of those children are in northern Iraq and the KR-I. An estimated 60,000 are children are living in camps that are still being constructed in the KR-I and require access to education. In Iraq more than 1,080 schools are being used as shelter by IDPs and a further 130 are occupied by military forces.

In addition, mass population movement within the country and from the neighboring Syria poses a risk of potential disease outbreaks such as polio and measles among the displaced people. An estimated 1.1 million children will require



additional care during the winter months due to acute respiratory infections and chronic diseases.

3.7. The OCHA reports that shortages of medical staff and supplies continue to hamper health care services in conflict-affected areas of northern and central Iraq, including Karbala, Kirkuk, Ninewa, and Salah ad Din. For example, only two of nine major hospitals in Salah ad Din, located in Balad and Samarra districts, are operating at full capacity.

There is a need for the provision of both primary and secondary health care and more stocks of medication. An increasing need for the care of those suffering chronic diseases and better access to medication to treat these illnesses. Reproductive health and access to delivery service with a focus on complicated deliveries and other reproductive health services remain among the priority needs.

3.8. Services, trade, energy and transportation are disrupted or destroyed. Access to clean water has also emerged as a critical, life-threatening problem. Power cuts, coupled with a severe shortage of fuel, have left numerous communities without clean water.

IDPs in the central and southern governorates of Iraq do not have access to water heating equipment and other NFIs to provide hot water for washing and personal hygiene. The local governments of Wassit and Babylon governorates are requesting cluster support for the provision and installation of mobile latrines for IDPs.

With these circumstances in mind, the United States Agency for International Development's Office of United States Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA) is funding partners to work with municipal authorities to strengthen their existing water and sanitation networks in order to support the higher demand on systems due to the influx of IDPs. In parallel, the USAID/OFDA is also supporting Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH). WASH partners to conduct an Emergency Market Mapping & Analysis (EMMA), in order to assess the capacity of private WASH service providers.

The UN and other relief actors working in the region have identified WASH as an area of acute need, with 5 million Iraqis identified as needing emergency water and sanitation assistance.

In recent weeks, the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) in conjunction with non-governmental organizations (NGO) partners has transported approximately 2.3 million litres of safe drinking water to nearly 15,800 conflict-affected people across central and southern Iraq.

- 3.9. Food security is a rapidly growing concern in central and northern Iraq. International NGOs are concerned about the food security of hundreds of thousands of people, especially those residing in active conflict zones. There are 2.8 million people in need of food assistance.
- 4. Assistance provided by Allied and partner nations and International organizations:
- 4.1. <u>Hungary</u> provided 50.000 units baby food, 120.000 units diapers and different medical items on 21 August 2014. The total value of the assistance is 42.433 USD.





- 4.2. On 20 September 2014, <u>Australia</u> announced an approximately 2 million Australian dollar (or 1.7 million USD) contribution to the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) in support of relief assistance for Iraqi women and girls. This new pledge will fund UNFPA to scale up its humanitarian response efforts and deliver reproductive health care services, including obstetric services for more than 250,000 pregnant women affected by the conflict. In total, Australia has provided more than 6.2 million USD for the humanitarian response in Iraq.
- 4.3. For 2014 the contribution of <u>Ireland</u> to the crisis in Iraq stands at 1,155,000 Euro.

In June 2014, Ireland dispatched blankets, kitchen sets, jerry cans, and shelter supplies to those displaced by recent violence. These emergency stocks worth 220,000 Euro were distributed by the International humanitarian agency - GOAL, and were sent from the UN Humanitarian Response Depot in Dubai. GOAL also recently received an additional 200,000 Euro from Ireland to provide emergency relief to the most vulnerable displaced populations in Ninewa Governorate (Northern Iraq). At the same time Ireland provided an allocation of 235,000 Euro to Christian Aid Ireland (CAI), which was used to procure food and essential non food items for internally displaced persons affected by the violence. The CAI has strong partnership with three local organizations in Northern Iraq and a focus on the protection of women and girls.

On 12 August 2014, Ireland announced funding of 500,000 Euro in response to the devastating conflict and unfolding humanitarian catastrophe in Iraq. Half of this funding was provided to the UNICEF and a further 250,000 Euro to the ICRC to support their emergency response activities in Northern Iraq where thousands of families had fled the advances of ISIL.

- 4.4. On 19 September 2014, <u>Japan</u> decided to extend an Emergency Grant Aid of 2.2 billion Japanese yen (approximately 22.70 million USD) to Iraq and Lebanon, in order to provide emergency shelters and relief items etc. for these IDPs and refugees. The total amount of additional contribution as countermeasures against ISIL reaches 25.50 million USD.
- 4.5. On 19 September 2014, Norway announced the allocation of 63 million Norwegian kroner (or 9.9 million USD) in additional funding to provide emergency relief assistance, including food, shelter support, and winterization aid, for conflict-affected Iraqi populations. Since January 2014, Norway has contributed a total of 200 million Norwegian kroner (31.4 million USD) to the humanitarian response in Iraq.
- 4.6. Through its main partners (ICRC, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNDP, Save the Children Switzerland, Norwegian Refugee Council, National Coordination Committee for Iraq and War Child) implementing response activities in favor of IDP's in Iraq, <u>Switzerland</u> is providing more than 9 million CHF for 2014 in support of multi-sector assistance consisting on food and non-food items, hygiene kits, support and protection of children, access to water and sanitation facilities and capacity building through the National Coordination Committee for Iraq.





- 4.7. The United States is providing more than 48 million USD in additional financial year 2014 funding on a bilateral basis. This includes nearly 10 million USD from the USAID/OFDA in support of life-saving, multi-sector assistance to populations affected by the complex emergency. In addition, State/PRM has committed an additional 38.7 million USD to partners implementing response activities inside Iraq, and to Iraqi refugees in neighboring countries. The announcement raises the total amount of the US humanitarian funding to more than 186 million USD.
- 4.8. The United Kingdom has provided 23 million British Pound (GBP) (approximately 36.6 million USD) of humanitarian funding to Iraq in three rounds since the beginning of June. This includes: up to 4 million GBP (approximately 6.3 million USD) for humanitarian supplies (including the delivery of supplies to Erbil (including assistance delivered through the EU's Civil Protection Mechanism), and air drops to the Sinjar Mountains and Amerli); 17.5 million GBP (approximately 27.8 million USD) funding to the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), UN agencies, and NGO partners, to provide basic life-saving assistance, including food, shelter, water, sanitation and medical care; and 1.5 million GBP (approximately 2.3 million USD) for technical assistance and support to the overall humanitarian response.
- 4.9. Since mid-June, the UN World Food Program (WFP) in conjunction with implementing partners has provided food assistance to more than 1 million IDPs and other conflict-affected populations throughout Iraq, an increase from the 838,000 beneficiaries. Despite insecurity that limited humanitarian access and caused fluid IDP movements, the agency has consistently increased assistance, providing hot meals, monthly household rations, and portable, emergency rations to conflict-affected populations in 13 of 18 Iraq's governorates, including the IDP-dense governorates of Al Anbar, An Najaf, Sulaymaniyah, Dohuk, Erbil, Kirkuk, and Ninewa.
- 4.10. According to the latest report of the OCHA, as of 12 November 2014, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea, Kuwait, Latvia, Luxemburg, the Netherlands, New Zelland, Norway, Poland, Qatar, Russian Federation, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, the United States and international organizations such as the International Organization for Migration, UN High Commissioner for Refugees, UNICEF, USAID/OFDA, Save the Children (SC), Mercy Corps, World Health Organization, World Food Programme, International Rescue Committee (IRC) and the ICRC donated food and NFIs to Iraq through different channels. Grand total: 839,980,072 USD.

For more information please follow the link:

http://fts.unocha.org/reports/daily/ocha\_R10\_E16447\_asof\_\_\_1411120301.pdf



## 5. The following requirements for international assistance have been detailed by Iraqi Authorities and the UN for Winter Period (November 2014 to March 2015).

	Items	Effective Date	Quantity
5.1	Clothing	ASAP	ASAM
5.2	Shelter and related items	ASAP	ASAM
5.3	Winterisation NFIs	ASAP	ASAM
5.4	Food	ASAP	ASAM
5.5	Health services	ASAP	ASAM
5.6	WASH	ASAP	ASAM

#### 6. Points of Entry/Delivery:

- 6.1. Baghdad International Airport (BGW), for commercial cargo.
- 6.2. Erbil international Airport (EIA), for commercial and charter flights.

#### 7. The Operational Points of Contact in Iraq can be reached in the following ways:

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#### 8. Response co-ordination.

- 8.1. With a view to providing a coordinated response to the stricken nation's requirements, nations in a position to meet these demands, in full or in part, are invited to reply to the Operational PoC of the Stricken Nation, with an information copy to EADRCC, by any of the communication means listed above and below.
- 8.2. The EADRCC is in close contact with the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in Geneva.
- 8.3. The Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Centre can be reached in the following ways:

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