



**United Nations Country Team in Turkey  
Daily Situation Report on the Situation Pertaining to Syria**

**March 23, 2012**

- 1) It has been reported that total Syrian population in Turkey reached to 17,361 with the arrival of 333 persons and 29 returns. Currently 33 wounded and sick individuals are under medical treatment in hospitals.

These persons are assisted in nine locations with eight tented cities and one container site located in the border provinces of Hatay, Gaziantep, and Kilis.

As of March 23, 2012 the city breakdown in the region is as follows:

- ❖ Hatay population in seven camps : 13,250 individuals
- ❖ •Gaziantep population in the 8th camp in Islahiye (Nurdagi): 2,140 individuals.
- ❖ Kilis population in Öncüpınar container site: 1,971 individuals.

- 2) Highlights:

- ❖ The local papers Denge and Kirkasir reported that movement to Kilis container site and to Islahiye tent city is ongoing.
- ❖ Antakya Airport is open only for the flights to and from Istanbul. It has been reported that flights to and from Ankara will start on March 29, 2012.

- 3) Turkish media reported that, considering the increase of the Syrian nationals coming to Turkey, Turkish government is extending its preparedness to further assist Syrian nationals. In that regard; additional to nine locations with eight tented cities and one container site located in the border provinces of Hatay, Gaziantep, and Kilis; a new tent city, with capacity of 20,000 has started to be established in Şanlıurfa, where a field hospital and a public kitchen will be inside the city. Additionally, NTV reported that 2,000 Syrians have moved to Kilis container city.

## Individual arrivals to UNHCR Offices in Turkey (as of March 22, 2012)

Total Approaches to date:

- Cumulative number of Syrians who approached UNHCR, 1 Jan 2011 to present (cases/individual persons): 283/495
- Cumulative number of Iraqis ex-Syria who approached UNHCR, 1 Jan 2011 to present (cases/individual persons): 778/1644
- Cumulative number of Others ex-Syria who approached UNHCR, 1 Jan 2011 to present (cases/individual persons): 76/100
- Cumulative number of Palestine refugees ex Syria who approached UNHCR, 1 Jan 2011 to present (cases/individual persons): 11/14

The map of the region including current nine camps in Hatay, Kilis and Gaziantep.

