

National Inter-Sector WG

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Participants:	UNHCR, NCA, CRS, NRC, Samaritan's Purse, DRC
Chair:	Alexandra Krause (krause@unhcr.org), UNHCR
Agenda	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Endorsement of meeting minutes and review of pending action points 2. Contingency planning: update 3. Evacuation of Eidomeni & Updates per sector 4. AoB
Agenda item	Action points
Review of pending action points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SMS WG to share code of conduct for volunteers once finalized, and share with partners for endorsement. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Done. They have the finalized version of the code of conduct for volunteers. ○ UNHCR will share the CoC for final comments from sectors. <u>Deadline for comments: Thursday, 2 June midday.</u> • Cash WG to consider and recommend appropriate voucher amounts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pending. Cash can work on the amount of incentives and vouchers before a meeting taking place on Monday. The objective of this meeting is to discuss volunteer incentives and other conditional cash programming. UNHCR Protection will also be present at the meeting and can provide some recommendations on how to establish the use of vouchers instead of cash. ○ UNHCR to share invitation of Monday's meeting and topic to be discussed again at the next ISWG. • Sector WGs are asked to highlight the "risk" categories for sites to identify those which should be prioritized for a possible closure (e.g. those with water shortage etc.). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Done for some sectors, but it is important to do it more systematically and for all sectors. • Partners who face difficulties in starting activities (permissions, access) need to highlight those incidents to the ISWG so that follow up can be done. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ UNHCR has not received any concrete information from actors with regards to difficulties for getting permission in the sites. As discussed extensively, it is important to document such cases and use them as an advocacy tool. There is a need to know why partners are not working in the sites. ○ As per discussions with the government, they want to regulate access to the sites, by issuing an access card to have control of who is working where. ○ UNHCR to discuss with the government to identify a focal point for access in the sites. • Health and Nutrition WG to share the outcome of malnutrition assessment in Eidomeni: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There was an assessment of around 1000 children and there were only 2 cases of malnutrition, which is within normal parameters. • Protection WG to follow up on reported cases of adoption in Epirus. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pending. The Protection WG was not held this week, so there are no updates regarding this issue.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNHCR IM unit to look into the usage of an interactive map on community centres; all sectors to encourage to send GPS coordinates with basic data to UNHCR for compilation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ongoing. If actors have information for community centres in urban areas and their coordinates, they should share them with UNHCR IM Unit, which will develop the interactive map. • UNHCR to share presentation and sector leads to start preparing once scenarios have been shared. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Done. UNHCR shared the presentation and sectors should prepare some scenarios that will then be discussed. • UNHCR to share CwC materials on info campaign for pre-registration exercise. Partners encouraged to disseminate widely. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Done. The English version without any design/layout was shared. UNHCR will have the text translated in several languages and sent out through flyers etc. UNHCR has also suggested that all questions during the pre-registration exercise should be directed to UNHCR, which can create a Q&A or make some info sessions. NGOs should not directly provide information, as this might create tension if invalid. • NFI/ Shelter WG to consolidate inputs and design-3D. Final deadline for comments: Wednesday, 25 May. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Done. UNHCR circulated the design -3D, and this is a living document that can be amended accordingly. • CP WG to share minimum standards for accommodation for UAM. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pending. The minimum standards for accommodation for UAM have been finalized and shared with the Ministry of Labour. The WG members endorsed the final version and the Ministry of Labor agreed to ensure that the standards are issued as ministerial decree. However, given the processes involved to issue such a decree it might take some time. • Protection WG to circulate SoPs for translators once finalized. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pending. SOPs have almost been finalized and will be presented during the next Protection WG. Once the Protection WG endorses them, UNHCR will circulate the document. 	
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Endorsement of meeting minutes	Minutes from the previous ISWG meeting were endorsed.	
Risk Analysis	<p>During the UNHCR Leadership & Coordination Workshop, exercises on emergency preparedness, including risk analysis and contingency planning were conducted and the facilitation team made a compilation of the scenarios examined by participants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The prevalent scenario is the risk of a influx of refugees and migrants from Turkey, as follows: rates of arrivals, rates of departures from islands to mainland, a total or partial collapse of the EU-Turkey deal, access and availability of accommodation for PoCs. ▪ The trigger to active a contingency plan was put at the number of arrivals (500-1000 people) per day 	<p>UNHCR to propose planning scenario by Monday morning including process for implementing contingency plan. If there is no objection on the process and/or the</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Planning assumptions: shelter and site capacity do not comply with the minimum standards, the Northern borders will remain closed, relocation scheme and capacity of the asylum service to process cases are overstretched ▪ Consultations at the field level are key for the planning. Sector leads in particular should discuss with field locations for lessons learned and response capacities. Local authorities should be involved as much as possible. Each WG needs to come up with a response plan based on the template which will be circulated. 	<p>scenarios, it will be endorsed by Wednesday, 1 June.</p>
<p>Update on the decongestion of Eidomeni</p>	<p>Government proceeded with the decongestion of Eidomeni; no violent incidents occurred and people boarded the buses voluntarily and/or left on their own. Spontaneously arrivals were reported in different sites, but were for most of the time not let in. New sites have been prepared, but some of them were assessed as being unsuitable to accommodate refugees. It was agreed to provide emergency life-saving assistance and work together with the MoMP to assess, plan and prepare other more suitable sites. A meeting is to be organized by the MoMP to see which partner is working in which site to cover urgent needs in the following sites: These new sites are the following: Oreokastro, Kalohori, Karamanlis (former leather factory), Fragapol (Sindos), Derveni (Alexiou building), Softex (Kordelio), Raidestos, Vagiochori (capacity 600 and could be improved).</p> <p>Eidomeni is completely empty, tents were taken down and the railway has already started operating.</p> <p>Regarding these sites long term and short term WASH support can be provided as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Short term: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ IRC: in Oreokastro, South Sindos (Karamanlis-Former leather factory), Softex (Kordelio), Derveni (Alexiou Building), Raidestos (Ktima Kordogianni), Vagiochori and IMC in Kalochori and Fragapol (Sindos). 2. Long term: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ IRC in Oraikastro and IMC in Kalochori and Fragapol (Sindos). <p>Health & Nutrition support MdM in Oreokastro, Red Cross in Kalochori, MSF will start an assessment and is willing to work in Karamanlis and Vagiochori, Red Cross is already working in Softex (Kordelio).</p> <p>Shelter/NFI</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ In Oreokastro Apostoli distributed baby toys and Team Humanity distributed clothes, shoes and food; ▪ IOM is interested in doing distributions in the new sites, but they have no storage capacity in the country and are not ready to respond now <p>Protection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No specific partners in any of the locations. UNHCR Protection Team has done a preliminary assessment, but there are no concrete updates at the moment on who will do what. UNHCR’s field protection teams are at the site with mobile teams on a daily basis. <p>SMS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Oreokastro will be covered by NRC, but no news for the rest of the sites. <p>CwC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Net Hope will be covering internet connectivity for all the sites if necessary. <p>Child Protection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Big gaps in the sites in the North, Save the Children is focusing in child protection and nutrition issues. <p>Food</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Army is responsible for all sites, but the problem is that in some cases all three meals are distributed at the same time. <p>SGBV</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ There are reports of survival sex which had been reported in Eidomeni. Close monitoring is needed in the new sites as well as proactive preventive actions. There is an urgent need to advocate with the police for more presence and training of the policemen. UNHCR suggested that the Secretary General of Gender Equality can offer support and advocate by sending an official letter, addressing the issue and raising concerns on the current situation. The support of other actors involved would also be valuable. 	
AoB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ FRS joined the WASH WG and might start to lead the WG ▪ The Inter-Ministerial Coordination Body (including the Ministry of Migration Policy, and Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Interior) endorsed the idea of the communal kitchen and selected and agreed that Schisto and Doliana will be the first two sites where they will pilot this idea. Part of the communal kitchen strategy is also to include some community based activities, build relevant 	

	<p>infrastructure and mobilize volunteers. Other partners might have capacity to pilot communal kitchens in other sites.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ramadan: The Inter-Ministerial Body also agreed to change the menu during the period of Ramadan. This will include a light meal for lunch and dry food, which can be stored in Tupperware. Dinner will be served together with the next day's breakfast and then can be stored in the Tupperware for those who are fasting. UNHCR is providing 15 litre buckets with lid for a one-off HH distribution, which will take place on the 1st day of Ramadan (7th of June). This will facilitate the storage of food. 	<p>Food & Health and Nutrition Sectors, to send suggestions for the meals during Ramadan.</p>
<p>Next meeting: Friday, 3 June, 9.00 hrs, UNHCR office, 91 Michalakopoulou Street</p>		