

NFI/Shelter Meeting – March 25, 2016

UNHCR, CRS, IOM, IOCC, IRC

Main Action Points:

- 1) Drafting ToR – basing it off of the WASH
- 2) Identify meeting times
 - a. Cash based groups meetings on Wednesday at 4 / weekly
 - b. Shelter/NFI groups meetings on Wednesday at 2:30 / weekly
- 3) Shelter options and Site development. Need to look at all sheltering options, including existing sites, host families, rental subsidy, changing out existing tents that may be too small or not weatherproof
- 4) Objective for group: Address minimum standards for NFI distributions
- 5) How to stay relevant with other groups working throughout Greece
- 6) Standardize NFI packages
- 7) Mapping – IM support?
- 8) Assessment sharing
- 9) Minimum Standards of Shelter.
- 10) Take meetings to the field. Propose meeting in three weeks be in Thessaloniki

UNHCR Assessment visited 9 camps

- Camps where Army is operating report having the largest NFI needs
- Needs include Women products, blankets and beds (50/50),
- Access to camps are enabled through Ministry of Migration
- Army seems open to INGOs have access to camps

Request to coordinate assessments and assessment results and upload to portal.
Website for info: data.unhcr.org

Adopt Sphere standards for Shelter and NFI to share with camp managers – need to highlight the fire separation standard, in order to increase the space between cooking areas. Agencies to explore existing IEC material on camp establishment, basics such as distance between tents, dist to toilets, kitchens etc, minimum personal area per person, min water per person etc. material to explain the minimum standards and get the indigenous organizations/volunteer groups.

Need to develop relationship with local volunteers and help develop their understanding of needs and distributions. That said – we should not attempt to limit donations, specifically by private sector, rather advocate for a greater quality of NFI.

UNHCR has a CCCM Technical Advisor carrying out trainings on camp management – organizations are welcome to identify training opportunities in the camps they work in to explore opportunities to expand knowledge

Agencies including UNHCR is assessing the possibility to renovate industrial buildings to residential areas for Syrian/Iraqis. UNHCR looking to relocate 20,000 Syrian/Iraqi refugees.

Planned NFI distributions to be reported through 4W

Organizations to share list of NFI contents to ensure equitable distribution and minimum needs met at all sites.

Agencies looking at undertaking NFI distributions, the concept of rather than traditional distribution the idea of a kiosk or shop was proposed, where all NFI's are presented as in a shop and PoC can select what they want. Generally accepted as a very progressive idea, need to take it forward, consider logistics, time frame, how it works.

One issue with NFI's is cooking sets. We need to very aware of fire issues and if we encourage cooking in sites without kitchen facilities there is the potential for accidents.

Next meeting proposed for 2.30 at Hellenic Red Cross office, subject to room availability. Is proposed to split Shelter & NFI's. Might suggest those concerned with shelter arrive promptly at 2:30, we take 15 min to cover any issues and see if that is adequate, then we can move onto NFI's at 2:45. Lets see how that works