

Uganda

29 December 2017

231,504

Congolese refugees
as of 30 November 2017

43,000

Congolese new arrivals
from January to November 2017

6,397

Congolese new arrivals since
1 December 2017

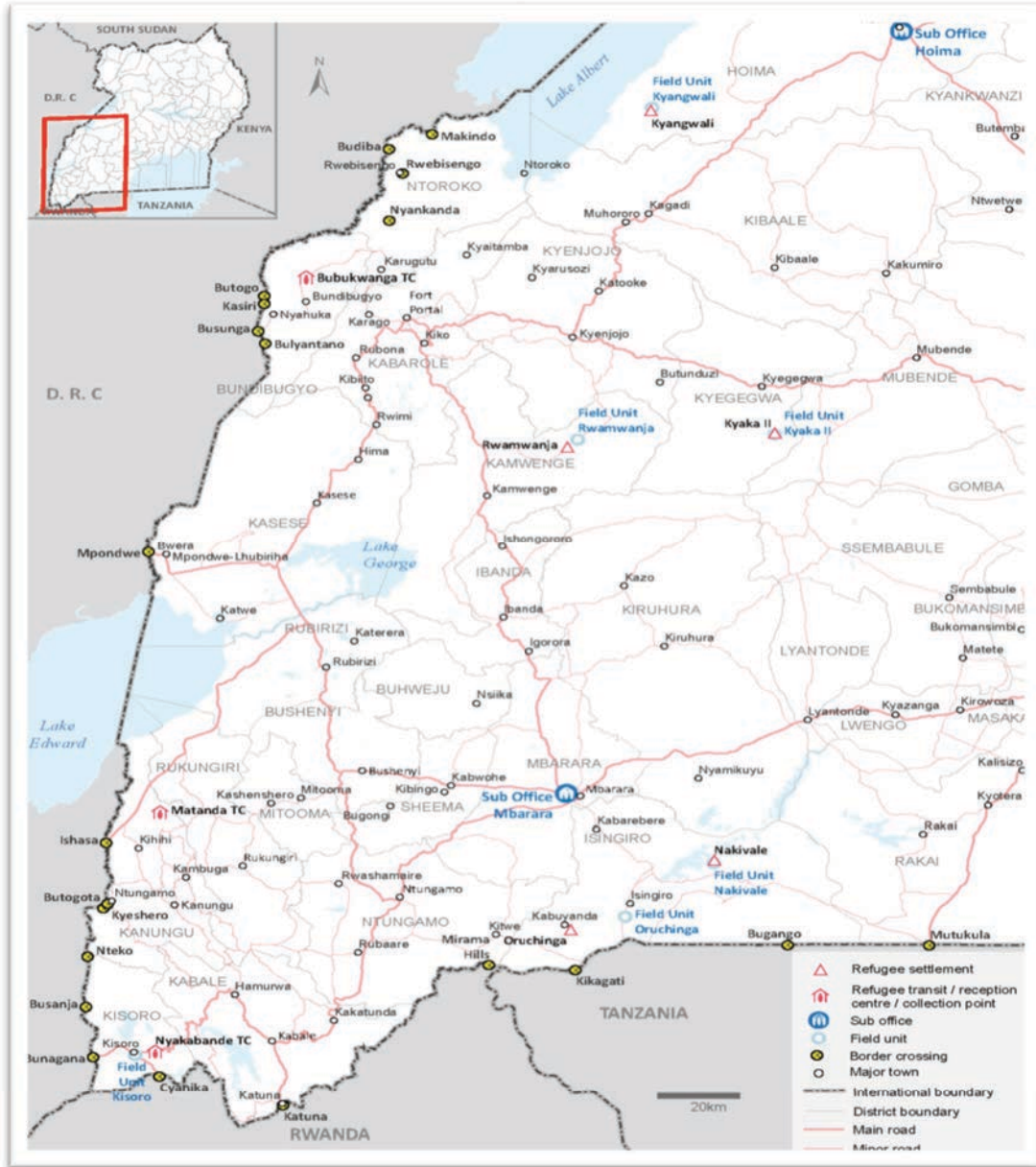
HIGHLIGHTS

- Between 27th and 29th December, 732 new refugee arrivals from the Democratic of the Congo (DRC) crossed to Uganda via Lake Albert (699) and Kisoro (93), bringing the total number of new arrivals since 18th December to 4,667. The vast majority (3,999) entered Uganda crossing Lake Albert aboard fishing boats, with smaller numbers (668) coming in through more commonly used border points in Kisoro, Kanungu and Bundibugyo districts.
- The refugees crossing Lake Albert continued to arrive to Sebagoro and Nsonga, in Uganda's Hoima district. Among the latest new arrivals were refugees from DRC's Rutshuru province, including Konyandonyi, Nyamirima, Ishasha and Kiringa villages. They reported that armed groups active in the area are preventing an increasing number of civilians from fleeing into Uganda.
- Since 19th December, UNHCR has relocated 3,999 refugees from Lake Albert landing sites to Kagoma reception centre in Kyangwali settlement. Some 3,012 have been already allocated a plot of land in Marembo C and provided with shelter materials and non-food items (NFIs). Another 987 new arrivals remain at the reception centre and are awaiting allocation of land.
- On 28th December, UNHCR transferred 975 new arrivals from Nyakabande transit centre (Kisoro district) to Kyaka II settlement, bringing the total number of refugees relocated to Kyaka since 21st December to 1,709. Another 47 Congolese were transferred to Rwamwaja settlement (Kamwenge district) for family reunifications. Nyakabande transit centre currently hosts 498 new arrivals from the DRC.
- UNICEF provided 32,000 water purification tablets and 1,500 bars of soap for new arrivals in Kyaka II, in addition to supplying Vitamin A capsules and Albendazole tablets for 2,000 children in Kyangwali. As a cholera prevention measure, UNICEF is in the process of procuring Oral Rehydration Salts (ORS) and Zinc tablets for the Kyangwali area.



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Map of southwestern Uganda



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