

MEETING MINUTES

Inter Agency Coordination Meeting		
Meeting Subject:	Inter Agency Coordination Group Meeting – Kampala, Uganda	
Time & Place of Meeting:	10:00 - 12:00,MS Teams, 05 June 2020	
Meeting Chaired by:	Mahoua Parums UNHCR, parums@ unhcr.org	
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Agenda

- 1. Welcome and opening remarks/ briefing (UNHCR Country Representative)
- 2. Brief by OPM / MoLG
- 3. Operational introduction by UNHCR (Philippe)/ OPM (Douglas) focus on Contingency Plans :
 - Quick briefing update Figures (Peter Waita/OPM)
 - Quick briefing DRC (Kallon Bockarie)
 - Quick briefing South Sudan (Sarah Rubereti)
 - Quick briefing Burundi (Fred Otim)
- 4. AoB

Summary of discussion and action points

Agenda Item	Discussion	Responsiblity	Timeframe
1. Welcome remarks by UNHCR	 Contingency plans serve as the preliminary steps in preparation for the influx to assess level of readiness. Thanks to Government and partners for the continued commitment and efforts towards the refugee response. Various meetings have been held at regional level to discuss and plan for any possible events that might trigger influx of new arrivals into the countries surrounding the Democratic Republic of Congo, South Sudan and Burundi 	All to note	
2. Brief by OPM / MoLG	Thanked UNHCR and partners for efforts and interventions in place to resolve the current challenges, but also	All to note	



	mentioned that a lot more needs to be done to prevent forced displacements within the region. The Contingency plans need to always be shared with key stakeholders for them to appreciate and guide how best these can be implemented especially considering the new COVID pandemic. The contingency plans should include Government Logo since they are jointly developed. Need to review response capacities and risk analysis. OPM and UNHCR have already agreed agreed to clear the backlog and the process has already started	UNHCR to take note All to note
3. Operational update plus briefing on figures and the three contingency plans	 The contingency plans are live documents which will be constantly updated as new developments evolve. The political and security situation in countries around Uganda remain fragile with reports of asylum seekers waiting along some of the border points. Need to increase the planning figures since the focus is on worst case scenario. Need to highlight all aspects and considerations on what informed the planning figures For Burundi Situation, there is need to consider the post election situation since the new Government is in place There is need to highlight both worst case and most 	All to note UNHCR to note



4. AoB	likely scenario, while looking at the broad assumptions such as the condusive refugee policy in Uganda. An assumptiuon that Uganda has so far not registered any death due to COVID 19 should be considered, and so people might prefer to cross over to Uganda than other neighbouring countries. Members agreed that the planning figure Ffor the most likely scenario should be 60,000 to 120,000 It was collectively agreed that the Contingency plans have been adopted pending refining the assumptions and improving the content to consider COVID 19 context. Refined plans will be shared again with partners for their final comments and input. Need to insert the available budget by situation and the gaps in terms of funds to be truly operational Need to update the donors on the plans and advocate for more resources to facilitate the operationalization of the contingency plans Next Inter agency	UNHCR Operations unit UNHCR Programme Unit UNHCR External relations unit All to note
	meeting will be on 26 June 2020	