

Inter-Agency Coordination

Moldova

Meeting subject:	3rd Meeting of the Roma Task Force
Time & location:	13 May 2022, Zoom link
Chaired by:	Alice Farmer, Senior Protection Officer UNHCR
Participants:	UNHCR, OHCHR, Refugee Crisis Management, Centre, Acted, Plan International, IsraAID, USAID, International Federation of the Red Cross, International Rescue Committee, INTERSOS, OXFAM, TdH, Clear Global, Association of the Roma Women, Coalition Roma Voices, National Association of Roma Community Mediators, Roma activist and Academic representative.

AGENDA

- Action Plan of the Roma Task Force, discussion, and presentation of the progress
- Meeting of coordination with the administration, presentation of the progress
- Terms of reference of the Roma Task Force, discussion

AGENDA POINT	DISCUSSION
1	<p>Welcome</p> <p>UNHCR co-chair welcomed the participants and presented the agenda of the meeting.</p>
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Action Plan of the Roma Task Force, discussion, and presentation of the progress <p>As the action plan which was presented and served as a basis of discussion on the 2nd meeting, was accepted fully or almost fully by the majority of members of the Roma Task Force, discussions were held around the measures of the formalising</p>

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	<p>Roma Task Force and on some details of the context of the Roma community condition and the implementation of some actions.</p> <p>The protection role of the temporary task force was explained, as more protection related cases were reported concerning Roma refugees.</p> <p>Concerning the formalising of the Roma Task Force activity, were proposed, and accepted the following actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Solidify and formalize the meetings2. Drafting of the Terms of the reference3. Regular meetings4. Better coordination with the Crisis Centre <p>The representative of the Crisis Centre related that he supports the idea of the action plan, but asks for short and actionable one.</p> <p>Several individual cases were discussed.</p> <p>UNHCR chair of the Roma Task Force presented the most pressing needs of the Roma community, according to the 3 major concerns of discrimination, improving conditions and child protection services and activities, expressed during the 1st meeting by the participants. She also reported that for several actions support was found and that at least major child protection NGO and INGO are preparing to start the activities on Testemiteanu 6.</p> <p>Local Roma NGO representative and the cochair of the Roma Task Force explained one of the major concerns related to the Roma community: existing discrimination, segregation.</p>
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meeting of coordination with the administration, presentation of the progress <p>On 4 mai 2022 a meeting was held with the Crisis Centre managers. The participants agreed on a short action plan based on 5 priorities with 3 actions each, which was sent to the Crisis Centre on 6 May. Both action plans were attached to the invitation of the present meeting.</p> <p>On 6 May a joint field visit with the representative of the Crisis Centre, Government representatives, local Roma community representatives and Roma Task Force took place. Participants met with around 840 Roma refugees privately accommodated</p>

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	<p>in Vadul lui Voda resort. On 9 May only 35 Roma remained in one location, most of them left to other countries, other location on Vadul lui Voda and a RAC in Glodeni. A dialogue with the Crisis centre was installed.</p> <p>UNHCR representatives highlighted the need to work with community mediators.</p> <p>The Crisis Centre representative explained the roles of the Crisis Centre, Coordination Council and of Exceptional Situations Commission.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terms of reference of the Roma Task Force, discussion <p>OHCHR representative stated on the importance of several points to be included into the Terms of reference:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To share the information with the members of the Roma Task Force 2. Collaborate on field visits 3. Referring cases

ACTION POINTS SUMMARY				
No.	Action	Responsible	Deadline	Status
1	Biweekly meetings	Participants	Recurring	13 May
2	Sharing information for the Roma Task Force meetings	UNHCR	Recurring	13 May
3	Bilateral meetings and collaboration	Participants	Recurring	13 May