



## Otaci Local Coordination Meeting

Meeting Minutes - 25 April 2023

### 1. Meeting Details

<b>Date</b>	25 April 2023
<b>Time</b>	11:00 - 12:30
<b>Chair</b>	Alexandra Cuznetova, UNHCR Field Assistant
<b>Reporting</b>	Cazacu Andrei, UNHCR Field Associate
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### 2. Agenda

1. Introduction
2. Recent Developments in Otaci BCP
3. Activity updates
4. Winterization Program
5. AoB

### 3. Information collection and relevant links

Moldova operational data portal: <https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/ukraine/location/10784>

Local Refugee Coordination operational data portal: <https://data.unhcr.org/en/search?>

### 4. Participants (Name, Position, Organization)

- Alexandra Cuznetova, Field Assistant, UNHCR
- Andrei Cazacu, Field Associate, UNHCR
- Dimitry Zavrotchii, Mayor, Otaci Mayor Office
- Cojocarui Nicolae, Personal Assistant, UNFPA
- Igor Perjan, Activity manager, Solidarites International
- Merjievski Serghei, Project Assistant, IOM
- Faureanu Natalia, Coordinator, Blue Dot
- Covdii Rostislav, CDA



5. Summary of discussions and agreements/ action points		
Agenda	Discussion	Agreements/ Actions
<p><b>Introduction</b></p> <p>Alexandra Cuznetova, UNHCR Field Assistant, cuznetov@unhcr.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayor updated that the number of Ukrainian citizens crossing the border is increasing possibly due to Easter holidays. Citizens crossing the border no longer go to Donduseni to receive financial aid from NGOs because the identification process for cash assistance is getting rigorous. Other crossings include transit purposes, Moldovans going for grocery in Ukraine, or Ukrainians visiting their relatives in Moldova. He added that the citizens crossing the border during this period are Ukrainian citizens who really need help.</li> <li>• UNHCR shared the following points:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– On 19 April 2023, UNHCR and IGM organized a Temporary Protection session in Otaci with the presence of 17 people. UNHCR appreciates the support and cooperation from the mayor in organizing the session and to the partners who participated in it.</li> <li>– UNHCR confirmed that the Winterization Program at OBS through ACTED will continue till 30 April 2023.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p><b>Activity updates from participants</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IOM informed the following points:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Two IOM buses departed to Iasi, Romania with 10 passengers during the last two weeks.</li> <li>– IOM provided medical assistance and hygiene kits to 72 people, and 11 SIM cards to those who were interested in applying for TP.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• UNFPA informed that 31 beneficiaries received their assistance during the past two weeks.</li> <li>• CDA reported the following points:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– 40 people received questions regarding procedures for immigrating in Moldova, the maximum length of temporary stay in Moldova, TP application, and some vehicle-related questions (vignette, required documents for legally driving in Moldova). During the last two weeks, there have not been many requests for TP.</li> <li>– CDA continues to conduct case management of high-risk protection cases.</li> <li>– CDA confirmed the points raised by the mayor regarding the increased number of border crossings compared to winter, adding that most of those crossing the border are not staying in Moldova and leaving for Hungary or Czech Republic due to better access to medical services, education and social services.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Solidarites International reported that their operation is ongoing without any major problems and continuously providing travel kits and services in wash facilities.</li><li>• Right to Protection reported about the increased number of border crossings possibly due to the Easter holidays. There are citizens travelling on personal issues such as going to the airport, completing documents, or doing groceries. There are some people traveling to Moldova to benefit from aid available in Otaci.</li><li>• BlueDot reported that they have been continuously offering consultations either at the BCP or at the BlueDot center. During the reporting period, the number of consultations provided was 224, which is relatively small. There were two significant protection cases: an unaccompanied child who was referred to the state authorities to be registered, and a lady with mental illness who is being followed up by Chisinau office.</li></ul>	
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<b>6. Details of the Next Meeting</b>	
<b>Date</b>	10 May 2023
<b>Time</b>	11:00 - 12:30
<b>Venue</b>	Otaci Mayor Office