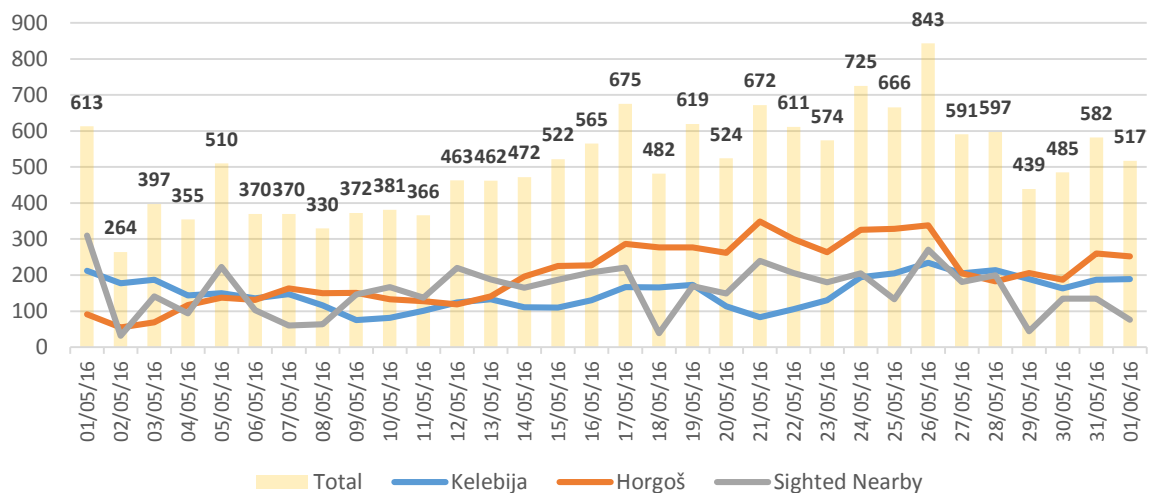


## HIGHLIGHTS AND STATISTICS

- On 01 June, two refugees/migrants possibly lost their lives in two separate tragic incidents on the Serbian-Hungarian border. An Afghan man reportedly went missing when pushed back from the Hungarian territory on a boat on the Tisa river. As authorities are still searching for him, it is feared that he may have drowned. Another refugee from Syria was fatally stabbed, allegedly by an Afghan man. Both police investigations are ongoing.
- The number of asylum seekers near the “transit zones” at the border with Hungary again grew from 350 to over 440 on 01 June. Of those, some 39% were children, suffering under the lack of sufficient shelter, sanitary facilities and other basic services. The authorities of Hungary continued admitting around 30 asylum seekers per day.
- Of the estimated **300** irregular arrivals per day, UNHCR and partners encountered and assisted around 140.
- Low number of departures, coupled by continued inflow of irregular arrivals has increased the estimated total number of refugees and migrants in Serbia to over **1,700**.
- During the reporting period, **61** persons expressed intent to seek asylum, bringing the total in the year 2016 to **3,413** (statistics courtesy of the Ministry of Interior).

No of Asylum Seekers waiting at the border crossings with Hungary



## SOUTH



Dinner in the MSF rub hall in the Reception Centre in Prešovo, Prešovo (Serbia), @UNHCR, 31 May 2016

The Reception Centre (RC) in Presevo accommodated between 87 and 100 refugees during the reporting period. In addition, 62 new arrivals, many arriving in bad state and exhausted, were also temporarily accommodated there before departing to assigned asylum centres.

All necessary assistance was provided by the Serbian Red Cross, UNICEF, Indigo, BCM, ADRA, ATINA, Grupa 484, Humedica SOS children Villages, DRC, Save the Children, Care, REMAR and Philanthropy. Additionally, Border Free allows refugees to engage in preparing menu and dishes for the rest of the community. Mercy Corps and Youth for Refugees organized celebration of the International Child Day, and distributed sweets and ice-cream to the children in the RC.

The UNHCR-supported Public Health and Humedica provided over 130 medical treatments in the reporting period. The UNICEF/DRC/CSW child friendly space/mother and baby corner hosted up to 20 children and six women daily.

**EAST**

In total, 28 irregular arrivals from Bulgaria were observed and assisted in the East. They comprised refugees of different nationalities, including children. Some of them who expressed an intent to seek asylum in Serbia were referred to and transferred to Krnjaca Asylum Centre.

**BELGRADE**

Between 360 and 470 refugees, asylum seekers and migrants were encountered/assisted on average every day by UNHCR and partners in the city centre. They were mainly new arrivals from Afghanistan, Syria or Pakistan. Fewer numbers were observed at night in the public places, due to the fact that over 390 choose to use free shuttles to accommodation in the Krnjaca Asylum Centre (AC).

The Asylum Info Centre facilitated various referrals, including access to asylum procedures, accommodation to Krnjaca AC and medical services. UNHCR/DRC doctors treated 62 patients, while MSF, Refugee Aid Miksaliste volunteers and Divac Foundation assisted with food and other aid.

On 30 May, Refugee Aid Miksaliste has re-opened in a new facility at Gavrila Principa 15.

**NORTH**

Between 350 and 447 asylum seekers, mainly women and children, camped outside the “transit zones” at Kelebija and Horgos I border crossings for days in the open, still without shelter or access to sanitary facilities.

**94** were admitted into Hungarian asylum procedures, i.e. around 30 per day.

UNHCR, MSF, HCIT, UNICEF, IOM and the Red Cross provided basic water, food, non-food and medical aid. The distribution also included provision of fresh fruit, donated by World Vision. A reduction of MSF presence, announced upon short notice, led to an urgent search for alternative medical service providers.

While UNHCR and partners continued encouraging them to wait at the Refugee Aid Point (RAP) in Subotica instead of in the open at the border, authorities reportedly continue to contact their Hungarian counterparts to agree on a more orderly and humane *modus operandi* for admissions.

In average over 115 refugee/migrants were encountered on a daily basis in and around Subotica on their way to the border crossings or in their attempt to irregularly cross the border. HCIT as well as BCM, Divac and other agencies continued to assist the most needy with water, food, clothes, hygienic packages and blankets.

Up to 60 refugees/migrants, including families with small children, were at any one night accommodated by the SCRM in the Subotica RAP.

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