SECTOR WG/SWG/TASKFORCE
Accommodation and Transport WG

Meeting Details
Date: 16 May 2022
Time:
Chair: Felicia Bechtold, Secretary of State for the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection and Giovanni Zanelli, UNHCR
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Agenda
1. Refugee Accommodation Centre
2. Contingency RACs/contingency plan
3. Palanca update
4. Presentation on Virtual Warehouse
5. AoB

Information collection and relevant links
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- https://social.gov.md/protectie-sociala/44620/
- Link to operational data portal: https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/ukraine/location/10784

Participants
Ministry of Labour and Social Protection
UNHCR

ACTED
UNDP
MLSP
WHO
Summary of discussions and agreements/ action points

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| Refugee Accommodation Centre | RACs: UNHCR A&T team and ACTED reminded to the group that actually we have 90 RACs with an overall capacity for 7,383 people. As of today we have 4,326 people in the RACs so more than 3,000 places are still available. **Government consolidation of RACs is continuing**  
- Contingency RACs update: the buildings would host refugees in case of a major influx.  
- A number of 26 buildings throughout the country have been evaluated by a multifunctional team from different organisations as first round.  
- The buildings are located on the green corridor  
- Most of the buildings are decommissioned schools  
- The second round of building assessment is ongoing at the moment and will be finished in the next few days. Shortly we will present the results within this group.  
- The assessment will be shared with the Crisis Centre and ANAS,  
- A prioritisation will be completed to match the green corridor.  
- More discussion to follow.  
- We are waiting for the green light from the government, since this RACs are not accredited | |
| Contingency RACs/contingency plan | The Secretary of State explains that a meeting with her colleagues is planned on contingency, to make sure that the buildings will be used after the crises  
She also reminds to the group that the Government wants the humanitarian organisations to focus first on the RACS that are registered and says that:  
- Only RACs that are officially registered will be supported financially based on the disposition of the Commission for Exceptional Situations | |
• In this way the Government want to motivate all unaccredited RACS to register
• For all the organisations that are supporting unregistered RACs she asked to advise them to register with ANAS sending an official letter to ANAS
• The goal is to prevent human trafficking and prevent the use of supplies and financial support for other purposes

UNDP: visited two centres: one in a poor condition and the other one with good leaving standards and enquires if there is a detailed assessment of existing RACs to make sure they have minimum conditions for living as well for the new contingency RACs?

MLSP replies that the ministry has developed a document with minimum requirements standards for the RACs in order to be registered. All RACs that are registered are supported by the government and the humanitarian organisations

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A new disposition was issued recently that the unregistered RACs may be closed

ACTED (Jenna): explains that a team is conducting a monitoring and assessment of the RACs every week:

• We repair and supply the centres we equipment.
• We present to the UNHCR and the Crises Centre the progress of the repairs
• We are covering only the accredited RACs

MLSP: at the question if there is a registration system or any standards for the refugees in the host communities and if there are statistics on the number of refugees that are living in house communities MLSP responds that a system of financial funding is put in place to support the refugees. In order to have access to this support they have to register with the local authorities. The refugees living in RACs have access to financial support as well.
The State Secretary adds that all subdivisions of ANAS in Rayons collect this data as well. Tudor Mancas explains, there is a data collection through UAhelp platform and those who have access to the platform can see the statistic. This is still an ongoing process, RAC managers have been using this platform for a while, the local authorities just started using the platform. The list is updated every time a request is made but is not yet completed. A request was made that this data be provided and updated weekly, as the information would be interesting to the donors to fund as well.

UNHCR IA coordination (Elena) explained about the Kobo form to be filled who was sent to the group

The government is developing a contingency plan in case of mass influx of refugee and complementarity might be needed from partners.

- The Refugee Coordination Forum is mapping the preparedness capacity of the sectors.
- The mapping includes preparedness measure and emergency response
- The Kobo form says under which sector the activity is mainly implemented for.
- Only emergency preparedness actions to be reported and response activities that can be activated in case of mass influx.
- Activities must be already identified, available and funded.
- This information will be provided to the government to complement their own contingency plan.
- Emergency response activities shall be quickly activated in case of mass influx

### Palanca update

**UNHCR: (Junaid)**

- There are few entries and exits at the border
- UNHCR maintains the Palanca service mapping tools with the inputs from all actors involved
- All site plans should be conveyed to the officer in charge of IGSU and UNHCR to maintain proper site development, safe and functional space for all the actors involved
- The gravel work is completed on the site
- We plan to gravel the former parking area
- A CCTV was installed at the request of the IGSU
- We have a new waiting area
- We have unarmed security on the site daily
- A pathway for wheelchairs for PwD is completed
- Additional wash containers have been placed

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<td>Moldova Film: will soon be closed. All the goods to be moved to a bigger warehouse Vatra (4000sqm)</td>
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<td>The Virtual warehouse is a combined efforts of international partners (Anex 1.below)</td>
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<td>Partners already filled in the list with what they have in stock</td>
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<td>Some basic products are in short supply ACTED (Miguel) presents the Virtual Humanitarian Aid Platform - VHAP</td>
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<td>The VHAP is the link between the need of the RAC managers, local authorities and the available assistance of the humanitarian actors.</td>
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<td>The management team can visualize available resources and distribute them</td>
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<td>UAhelp receives needs from RACs, Mayors: when the request is received, the manager see the available stock and prepare the order for the warehouse that is hosted in the VHAP, the order is prepared and dispatched.</td>
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Miguel ACTED made a detailed presentation on how to: register, open an account, to log and to place an order and how the order is processed.

- WHO will receive a lot of medical equipment and are looking for storage until the distribution. MLSP Tudor Mancas replies that all medicine and medical equipment is transferred to the Ministry of Health.

UNICEF: Mohammad confirms that there is a sub working group on wash, a notice on the date will be sent end.

Annex 1.