

SOMALIA TASK FORCE ON YEMEN SITUATION

WEEKLY INTER-AGENCY UPDATE #47

17 – 23 November 2015

KEY FIGURES

29,759

Arrivals from Yemen since 27 March at the early onset of the crisis

4,294

Yemeni prima facie refugees registered in Somalia since 27 March

18,219

Arrivals registered at Reception Centers in Berbera, Bossaso and Mogadishu since 27 March

54%

Registered arrivals expressing intention to return to Mogadishu

9,560

Somali returnees provided with onward transportation assistance since 27 March

FUNDING

USD 64 million

requested for the Somalia Response Plan for Yemen Crisis (April-September 2015)

**Funded
6%**

**Gap
94%**



HIGHLIGHTS

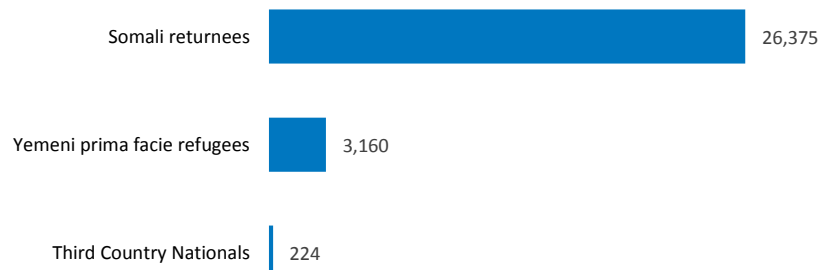
- There was one arrival comprising 40 individuals on 20th November in Somaliland, Somalia, during the reporting period.
- There were no new arrivals recorded at Bossaso port during the reporting period.



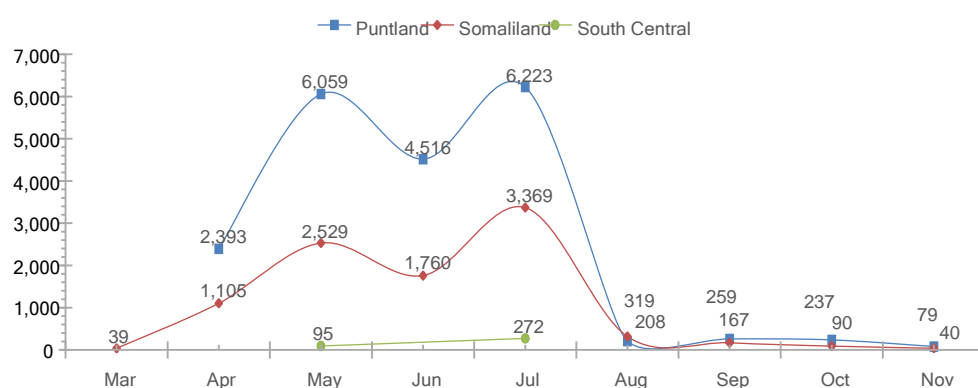
Biometric registration of Somalia refugee returnees in Bossaso.

Population of concern

A total of **29,759** people of concern



ARRIVALS PER MONTH



Month	Total # of Arrivals
March	39
April	3,498
May	8,683
June	6,276
July	9,864
August	527
September	426
October	327
November	119
Total	29,759

ARRIVALS PER NATIONALITY AND GENDER/AGE

Nationality	Arrived to			Total	
	Puntland	Somaliland	South Central		
Djibouti	6	1		7	0 %
England	3			3	0 %
Ethiopia	68	109		177	1 %
India	2			2	0 %
Iraq	1			1	0 %
Kenya	7			7	0 %
Lebanon		1		1	0 %
Libya		2		2	0 %
Pakistan		1		1	0 %
Palestine		2		2	0 %
Somalia	18,253	7,755	367	26,375	89 %
Sudan	3			3	0 %
Syria	1	11		12	0 %
Tanzania		1		1	0 %
Turkey	1			1	0 %
USA	2	2		4	0 %
Yemen	1,627	1,533		3,160	11 %
Total	19,974	9,418	367	29,759	100 %
	67.12 %	31.65 %	1.23 %		

G/A	Arrived to			Total	
	PL	SL	SC		
Children	8,352	4,427	23	12,802	43 %
Females	6,063	2,541	123	8,727	30 %
Males	5,416	2,450	112	7,978	27 %
Total	19,831	9,418	258	29,507	100 %
	67.21 %	31.92 %	0.87 %		

Note: not all individuals that arrived remained to be registered. The figures shown here reflect those who have chosen to have their bio data collected

INTENDED AREAS OF RETURN OF REGISTERED ARRIVALS

Areas of Intended Return	First Point of Entry from Yemen			Total	
	Puntland	Somaliland	South Central		
Mogadishu	4,772	5,048	0	9,820	54 %
Hargeisa	339	1,754	0	2,093	11 %
Bossaso	681	251	0	932	5 %
Kismaayo	369	186	0	555	3 %
Baidoa	399	156	0	555	3 %
Afgooye	228	124	0	352	2 %
Other locations	2,008	1,842	62	3,912	22 %
Total Arrivals Registered at Reception Centers	8,796	9,361	62	18,219	100 %

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

Puntland

During the reporting period no new arrivals were recorded in Bossaso.

SOMALILAND

On 20 November 2015, Berbera in Somaliland received one vessel, the “Osmani”, arriving from Aden, in Yemen. The vessel was carrying 40 individuals, 10 children and 30 adults (13 female and 27 male). Nationality breakdown 28 Somalis and 12 Yemenis. Onward travel assistance was provided to 17 individuals, 3 Yemeni adult males travelling to Hargesia, and 14 Somalis (2 female and 5 male adults, 7 children, of which 4 female and 3 male) travelling to Mogadishu.

Since March 2015, 9,425 new arrivals (2,959 families) have been recorded in Somaliland, including 1,533 Yemenis, 7,751 Somalis, 109 Ethiopians, and 21 people of other nationalities. The number of new arrivals in Berbera, Somaliland, remains relatively low.

Achievements



Protection

PUNTLAND

- On 18 November, UNHCR completed registration of 2,169 Somali refugee returnees (456 households) in the proGres database using biometric registration. Through implementing partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC), UNHCR will soon begin the distribution of reintegration assistance for these eligible households.
- UNHCR, through implementing partner DRC, began the provision of monthly subsistence allowance for 326 Yemeni refugee households in Bossaso, Gardo, Garowe and Bardhan.
- During the reporting period, UNHCR registered 8 new Yemeni nationals (2 households) as refugees. The total number of Yemeni nationals registered with the office is currently 1,873 individuals (742 households).
- Tadamun Social Society (TASS) reunited one separated child and one unaccompanied child (both Somali refugee returnees) with relatives in Bossaso and provided material and psychological support to the children.
- Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) continues to provide monthly cash support -for three months, from October to December 2015- to 508 returnee households. The amount provided is 105 USD per month per household.

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Berbera

- The 20 November arrivals departed from Aden (Ma’alla port) at 2:00 PM on 19th Nov 2015 and reached the Somaliland coast at 10:00 AM on the next day. Due to the general stability of the winds and enough space being available at the port, the vessel was able to dock soon afterwards at 10:30 AM on 20th November. Some new arrivals reported that they had to pay \$100 for the sea journey, while others said that no fee was paid for the passage. The journey from the port of departure to the coastal area of Berbera lasted 22 hours. They also mentioned that they did not face any kind of abuse and had been given water and food (beans, bread and tea) which some of them did not consider good.
- After their arrival in Berbera, the new arrivals were welcomed as per the usual established procedures by several agencies, including DRC, IOM, Somaliland Red Crescent Society (SRCS), government agencies and the immigration office, which took care of the registration formalities. Later they were taken to the Reception Center, where DRC provided them with food and water. Some of the new arrivals departed from the reception center immediately after registration and where provided with water and food before their departure, while others remained.

Hargeisa

Registration

- Between 16 and 22 November 2015, a total of 44 Yemeni refugees (28 cases) have been registered in Hargeisa by the Ministry of Resettlements, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction (MRR&R). Also during the 16 - 22 November period, two Yemeni asylum seekers (2 cases) who had arrived in Somaliland before 28 March 2015 were registered in Hargeisa by MRRR.
- A total of 2,296 Yemeni refugees (1,160 cases) have been registered in Hargeisa between 28 March 2015 and 22 November 2015.
- A total of 25 Cases (64 Yemenis) have been transferred from UNHCR Bossaso proGres to UNHCR SO Hargeisa proGres as of 22 November 2015.
- A total of 2371 Yemeni Prima Facie refugees (1185 cases) are registered with UNHCR SO Hargeisa as of 22 November 2015.

Assistance

- NRC distributed unconditional cash assistance to 392 families (291 refugees and 101 returnees) in Hargeisa through Dahabshil remittance services.
- UNHCR distributed cash assistance to the 228 Yemeni refugee households that has not received their first installment in October 2015.

UNICEF

- UNICEF continued to provide child protection services to Yemeni returnees and refugees in Bossaso and Berbera. Twelve families were supported with vulnerability assessments on their arrival at Berbera Reception Centre. At the RC six children and eight adults were provided with psychosocial support, including playing material for the children and counselling services for the adults.
- In Bossaso, UNICEF through partners provided emergency medical assistance to three children (two boys and one girl) and psychosocial services to another 12 children (all boys). Two unaccompanied and separated children (boys) were provided with psychosocial and material support and united with their extended families.

SAVE THE CHILDREN

- SCI provided reintegration cash assistance to 154 Households (660 individuals) during the reporting period, as part of the reintegration package for returnees to Somalia.
- SCI supported the enrollment in school of 112 returnee children (49 boys and 63 girls). The students were also provided with learning materials. Four teachers were recruited.
- Two households with protection concerns were provided with cash and food assistance through SCI



Health

PUNTLAND

- TASS provided emergency medical assistance to three Somali refugee returnee children at the Reception Centre during the reporting period. TASS also provided 12 children (Yemeni and Somali nationals) with recreational games at the RC, aiming to enhance their psychological well-being and reduce stress levels.
- During the reporting period, UNHCR partner Gruppo per le Relazioni (GRT) provided medical assistance to 18 Yemeni refugees, including five emergency cases.

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- An IOM medical team welcomed the 20 November new arrivals and visited four individuals over the age of 5 (3 female and 1 male) and one female child under the age of 5. None required further treatment.

 Shelter and NFIs

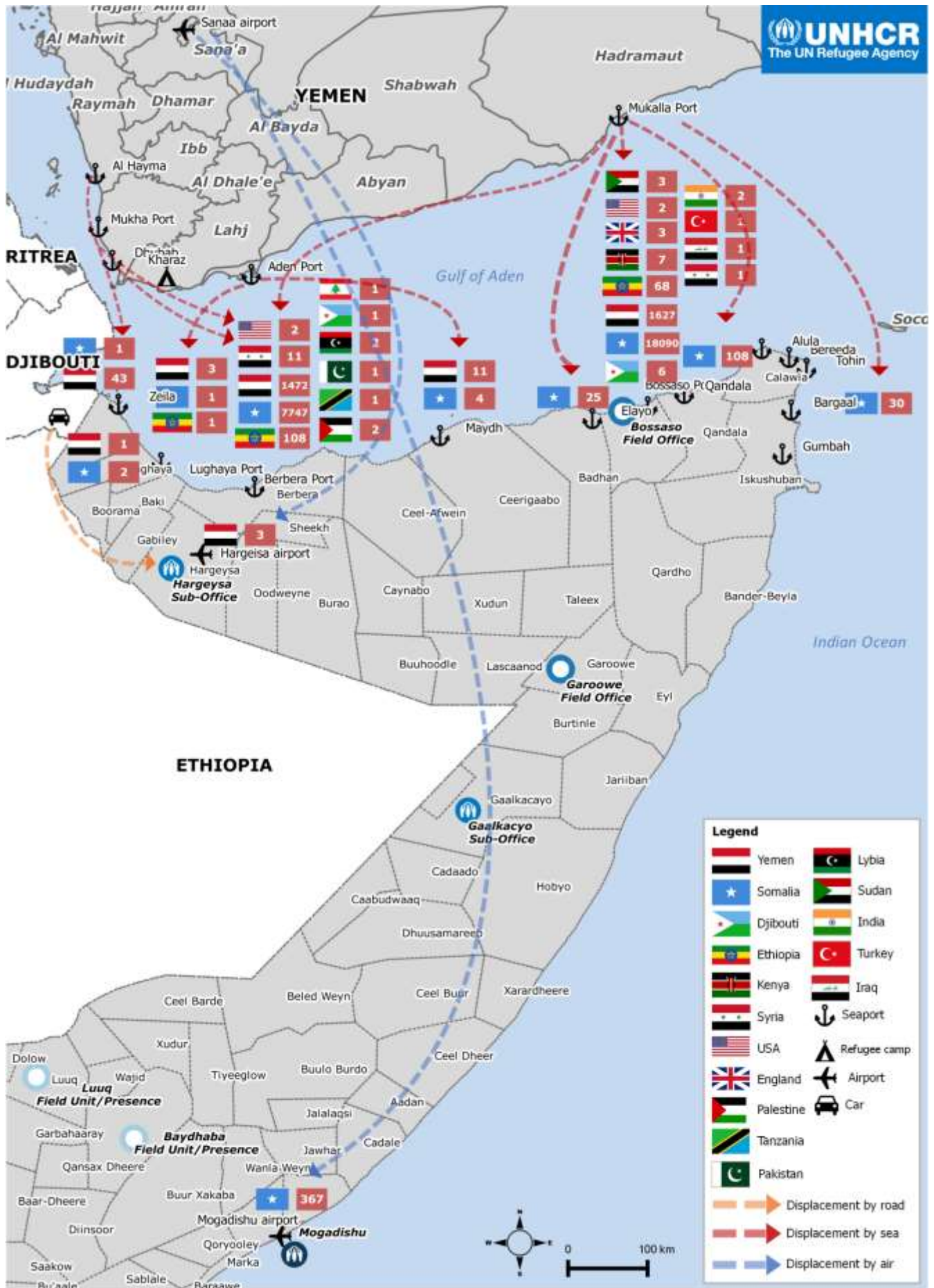
SOMALILAND**Achievements and Impact**

- UNHCR distributed 14 NFIs to the group of individuals that arrived on 20 November 2015. Since April 2015, 687 NFIs have been distributed to vulnerable New Arrivals.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The Somalia Response Plan for Yemen Crisis (April – September 2015) was released on 4 June and shared with donors, governments and partners. 11 UN agencies and NGOs participate in the inter-agency response. The Response Plan can be accessed at <http://goo.gl/pVH7da>. Total funding received to date is USD 3.9 M (approximately 6% of total approved budget).

Agencies are very grateful for the financial support provided by donors who have contributed to their activities with unearmarked and broadly earmarked funds as well as for those who have contributed directly to the situation: [European Union](#) | [Italy](#) | [Japan](#) | [Sweden](#) | [United Kingdom](#) | [United States of America](#)



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