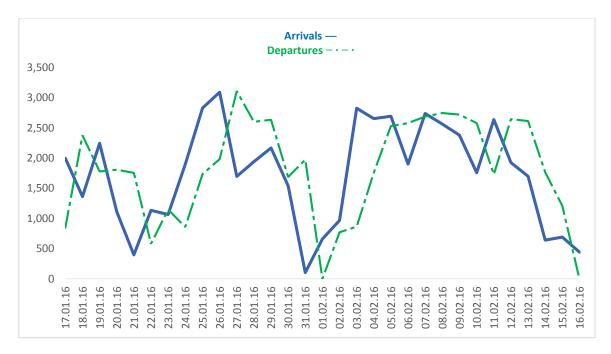


SERBIA DAILY UPDATE 16 February 2016

# STATISTICS AND HIGLIGHTS

- 443 refugees and migrants arrived: 382 from fYRo Macedonia and 61 from Bulgaria.
- **0** asylum seekers departed to Croatia.
- Minister of Interior Mr. Stefanovic, Minister of Labour Mr. Vulin, the Norwegian Ambassador Mr. Bjørnstad and UNHCR, visited South Serbia. The delegation inaugurated two family pavilions, one children's corner, the IRC coffee shop for refugees/migrants and a new ambulance at the Presevo Reception Centre (RC) that were rehabilitated by DRC with UNHCR and Norwegian funds. They also opened 26 accommodation and two sanitary containers for MOI staff in the Gendarmerie base in Cakanovac village, financed by UNHCR and IOM.



## SOUTH

**382** refugees and migrants were assisted at the Miratovac Refugee Aid Point (RAP) upon arrival from fYR Macedonia.

Police, Gendarmerie, IOM, Philanthropy, Remar, Medical Center, UNHCR, MSF, DRC, World Vision, were assisting them at the RAP. UNHCR/DRC/SPDE distributed three winter boots, UNHCR blankets and water bottles, while UNICEF and Philanthropy/CRS distributed other non-food items (NFIs).



Newly arrived asylum-seekers with children, Preševo (Serbia), ©UNHCR, 16 February 2016

The health clinic inside the RAP treated one patient and UNICEF/DRC child friendly space was open.

UNHCR-funded buses transported approximately 360 asylum seekers from Miratovac village to the RC in Presevo where they were registered. 22 persons with specific needs (PSNs) were prioritized for registration.

UNHCR, SCRM, Police, Medical Centre, ADRA, Red Cross, IOM, UNICEF/DRC, Caritas, DRC, BCM/CRS and Remar assisted asylum-seekers 24/7 at the RC. Natan, Humedica, Care international/Nexus, SOS Children, OXFAM 484, Global Medic were present during the day. Save the Children, APC, Youth for Refugees, Atina, Border Free, Mercy Corps and MSF were active outside the RC.

UNHCR and partners distributed winter jackets, hats and water bottles. Public Doctors, MSF, Humedica and Natan treated 24 asylum seekers. The UNICEF/DRC/CSW child friendly space hosted 28 children and 15 women.

Approximately 150 asylum seekers stayed overnight inside the RC, including 100 in MSF tents and rub hall and 50 in UNHCR Refugee Housing Units. 50 stayed outside the RC in MSF and Border Free tents.

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#### EAST

**61** asylum seekers arrived to Dimitrovgrad, Zajecar and Minicevo from Bulgaria. Of those, 29 were from Iraq (families), 23 from Syria (families) and 9 men from Afghanistan.

In Dimitrovgrad, UNHCR, Sigma Plus, Red Cross, DRC and Divac Foundation distributed food, water, clothes, boots and blankets inside the RAP. Praxis, I'm Human Organization, Save the Children, Info Park and ADRA were also present outside. WAHA provided medical assistance to 10 asylum seekers for minor injuries and respiratory problems.

Sigma Plus assisted arrivals in Zajecar and Minicevo. Red Cross distributed food and water as well as Philanthropy donated a total of 13 cash cards.

### BELGRADE

Over **200** refugees/migrants were assisted in Belgrade by UNHCR partners. They were mostly from Morocco, Algeria or Pakistan.

Many sought aid in food, clothes, use of internet and referrals to various services, including hospitals and registration. SCRM, UNHCR/DRC, Red Cross and Refugee Aid Miksalište assisted them. Asylum Info Centre remained open 24/7. Caritas distributed food and clothes at the park near the railway. Also MSF offered primary health care and distributed NFIs. Over 65 refugees/migrants were present at night in the city.

#### **WEST**

There were no departures of trains to Croatia. The only train of the day arrived in late evening and did not depart by the end of the reporting period.

Approximately 500 asylum seekers/migrants were accommodated at the Sid RAP during the night, including those denied to board trains in previous days and 217 returned from Croatia/Slovenia.

At Sid train station, UNHCR/HCIT distributed 60 UNHCR blankets, 500 WFP HEB, 648 water bottles, 65 winter jackets, 17 boots, and 20 UNHCR bags. IDC/Sid Health Centre and WAHA treated 49 asylum seekers.

In Adasevci, UNHCR, SCRM, Police, APC, Red Cross Serbia, MSF, CRS/Divac Foundation, BCM, Remar, OM and Czech Volunteers assisted asylum-seekers 24/7; World Vision, Intersos, Caritas, TDH, EHO, DRC and NSHC during the day.

MSF provided medical assistance to 30 refugees and BCM/Sid Health Centre treated 71. The UNICEF/WV/CSW child friendly space hosted 70 children and 19 mothers.

The Red Cross and Caritas distributed food on buses. Remar offered hot tea and hot soup. CRS/Divac Foundation distributed adult and children's winter clothes and footwear.

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