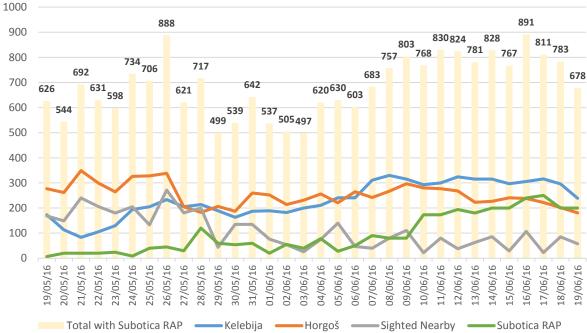


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#### **HIGHLIGHTS AND STATISTICS**

- Around 790 asylum-seekers, including many children as well as women, continued to be present daily in the North. The numbers of those waiting at the two sites at the border with Hungary stabilized to around 500 asylum-seekers, while an additional up to 250 were accommodated by the Serbian Commissariat for Refugees and Migration (SCRM) in the Refugee Aid Point (RAP) of Subotica. Hungarian authorities continued admitting into "transit zones" around 30 per day only, leading to many other refugees and migrants, exasperated with waiting, to seek irregular re-entry to the EU instead, too often with the help of smugglers.
- Of an estimated 300 irregular arrivals per day UNHCR and partners encountered/assisted near the entry points 284, including new arrivals from fYR Macedonia and Bulgaria.
- During the reporting period, 146 persons expressed intent to seek asylum, bringing the total in June to 614, and the year 2016 to 4,011 (statistics courtesy of the Ministry of Interior).

**Hungarian Border - Situation** 



# **SOUTH**



New arrivals waiting for the scan of luggage at the Reception Centre in Presevo, Presevo (Serbia), @UNHCR, 19 June 2016

Up to 112 refugees were accommodated at the Reception Centre (RC) in Presevo. UNHCR and partners assisted 166 new arrivals, who were accommodated in the RC before departing to assigned asylum centres.

Assistance was provided by Red Cross, UNICEF, Caritas, Indigo, BCM, ATINA, Grupa 484, Humedica, DRC, Care, REMAR and Philanthropy. Iftar was served by Philanthropy, Border Free and Youth for Refugees in the MSF dining hall. ADRA, Save the Children, SOS Children Villages and others organized different activities for children.

The UNHCR-supported Public Health and the Humedica clinic provided over 199 medical treatments while one case was referred to hospital. The UNICEF/DRC/CSW child friendly space/mother and baby corner hosted up to 29 children and nine women daily.



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# **EAST**

In the East, 51 refugees (45 Afghans and six Syrians) arrived at Gradina border crossing near Dimitrovgrad. They all expressed intention to seek asylum in Serbia. Sigma Plus and DRC assisted them with food and non-food aid. SCRM organised transportation to Sid RAP.

# **BELGRADE**

UNHCR and partners encountered/assisted over **680** refugees, asylum seekers and migrants every day in Belgrade. They were mainly new arrivals from Afghanistan, Syria, Pakistan and a few from Morocco. Only a few stayed in the city centre at night, as up to 362 were sheltered by the authorities and assisted by Caritas in Krnjaca AC.

The Asylum Info Centre facilitated many referrals, including access to asylum procedures, accommodation to Krnjaca AC and medical services. UNHCR/DRC doctors treated 93 patients, while MSF, Refugee Aid Miksaliste and Divac Foundation assisted with food and other aid.

### **NORTH**

In average, some **790** refugees and migrants were present in the North. Some **500** stayed for days or weeks in improvised tents outside the "transit zones" at Kelebija and Horgos I border crossings. Sanitary conditions remain of great concern with garbage collection that remain a challenge, especially in Kelebija.

UNHCR, HCIT, UNICEF, IOM, MDM, MSF and the Red Cross provided humanitarian assistance including water, food, non-food aid, medical assistance as well as legal and other counselling at the two border crossings with Hungary. World Vision and HELP contributed with fresh fruits. The SCRM accommodated up to 250 refugees/migrants, including families with children, every night in the Refugee Aid Point (RAP) of Subotica.

On a daily basis over 68 refugee/migrants were encountered in and around Subotica on their way to the border. HCIT as well as BCM, Divac Foundation and other agencies continued to aid the most needy amongst them.

118 asylum seekers were admitted into Hungarian "transit zones", i.e. around 30 per day.





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