

SOMALIA TASK FORCE ON YEMEN SITUATION

INTER-AGENCY UPDATE #6

15 - 28 March 2016

KEY FIGURES

31,761

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

4,673

Yemenis registered in Somalia since 27 March (including Somalis with dual Yemeni-Somali citizenship)

19,826

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

52%

Registered arrivals expressing intention to return to Mogadishu

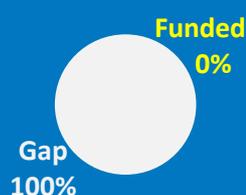
9,934

Somali returnees provided with onward transportation assistance since 27 March

FUNDING

USD 39.3 million

Requested for the Somalia Response Plan for Yemen Crisis (January-December 2016)

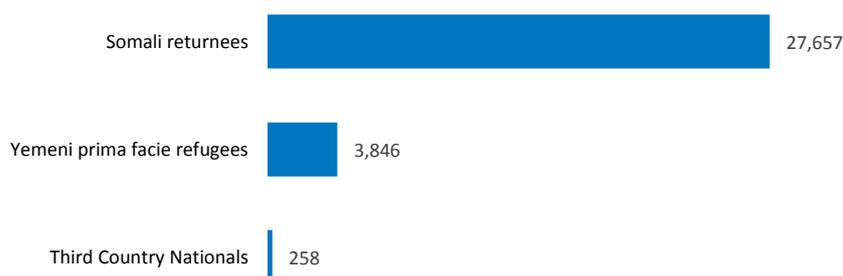


HIGHLIGHTS

- During the reporting period, a total of 110 individuals arrived in Somalia through the ports of Berbera (Somaliland, 39 persons), and Bossaso (Puntland, 71 persons). Out of this total, 87 individuals were registered by UNHCR in collaboration with local authorities and partners in the Berbera and Bossaso Reception Centers.

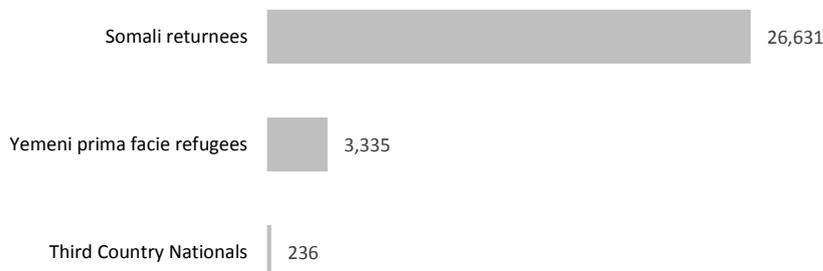
Population of concern

A total of **31,761** people of concern

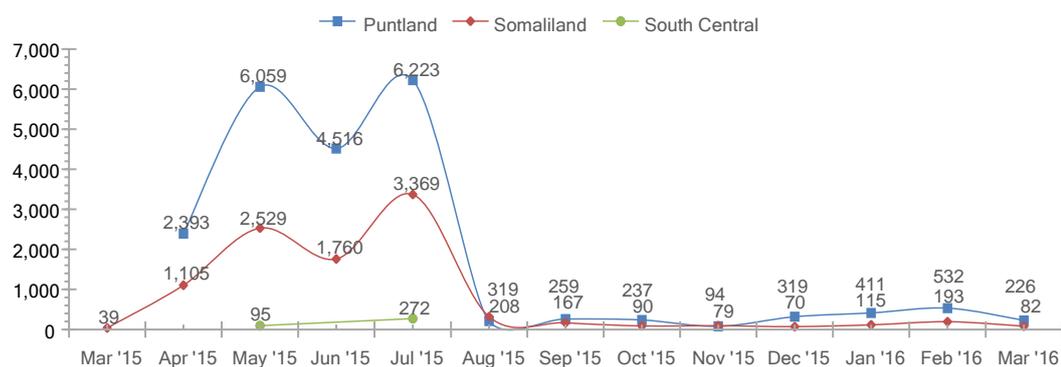


2015 Population of concern

A total of **30,202** people of concern in 2015



ARRIVALS PER MONTH



Month	Total # of Arrivals
Mar 2015	39
Apr 2015	3,498
May 2015	8,683
Jun 2015	6,276
Jul 2015	9,864
Aug 2015	527
Sep 2015	426
Oct 2015	327
Nov 2015	173
Dec 2015	389
Jan 2016	526
Feb 2016	725
Mar 2016	308
Total	31,761

ARRIVALS PER NATIONALITY AND GENDER/AGE

Nationality	Arrived to			Total	
	Puntland	Somaliland	South Central		
Bahrain	5			5	0 %
DRC		1		1	0 %
Djibouti	7	1		8	0 %
England	3	1		4	0 %
Ethiopia	84	114		198	1 %
India	2			2	0 %
Iraq	1			1	0 %
Kenya	7			7	0 %
Lebanon		1		1	0 %
Libya		2		2	0 %
Nigeria	2			2	0 %
Pakistan		1		1	0 %
Palestine		2		2	0 %
Somalia	19,416	7,874	367	27,657	87 %
Sudan	3			3	0 %
Syria	4	11		15	0 %
Tanzania		1		1	0 %
Turkey	1			1	0 %
USA	2	2		4	0 %
Yemen	1,925	1,921		3,846	12 %
Total	21,462	9,932	367	31,761	100 %
	67.57 %	31.27 %	1.16 %		

G/A	Arrived to			Total	
	PL	SL	SC		
Children	8,851	4,560	23	13,434	43 %
Females	6,463	2,653	123	9,239	29 %
Males	6,005	2,719	112	8,836	28 %
Total	21,319	9,932	258	31,509	100 %
	67.66 %	31.52 %	0.82 %		

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	5,237	5,159	0	10,396	52 %
Hargeisa	385	2,021	0	2,406	12 %
Bossaso	841	251	0	1,092	6 %
Kismaayo	445	192	0	637	3 %
Baidoa	476	156	0	632	3 %
Afgooye	290	124	0	414	2 %
Other locations	2,215	1,972	62	4,249	21 %
Total Arrivals Registered at Reception Centers	9,889	9,875	62	19,826	100 %

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

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The number of persons arriving from Yemen to Bossaso appears to be decreasing, but remains unpredictable due to heavy fighting continuing around some strategic cities in Yemen. Larger displacements may occur at any time.

SOMALILAND

Since March 2015, 9,947 new arrivals (3,308 families) have been recorded in Somaliland, including 1,928 Yemenis, 7,871 Somalis, 114 Ethiopians and 23 people of other nationalities. The number of boats arriving every week has stabilized and the total numbers of new arrivals in Berbera remain relatively low.

Achievements



PUNTLAND

During reporting period two boats arrived via from Yemen to the port of Bossaso, with fewer new arrivals compared to previous weeks.

At their point of entry, the new arrivals were assisted with refreshments provided by Danish Refugee Council (DRC), transport from the port to the Reception Centre provided by IOM and biometric registration for all arrivals implemented by UNHCR, along with three daily meals for five days provided by WFP upon arrival at the reception Centre and onward transportation assistance (OTA) for those who wanted to return to their areas of origin provided by IOM.

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On 18 March, one boat carrying four individuals of Yemeni nationality (four households) reached Berbera. The “Al Harbi” reached the Somaliland coast at 2:00 PM, but due to lack of docking space at the port, it was able to dock only over three hours later, at 5:30 PM. The travel cost from Aden (Ma’alla port) to Berbera was \$150.

On 19 March, one boat carrying in total 28 individuals, 19 Yemenis, 8 Somalis, and one third country national (22 households) reached Berbera. The “Ismalia” reached the Somaliland coastline at 18:00 PM and was able to dock immediately. The travel cost from Aden (Ma’alla port) to Berbera was also \$150.

On 25th March, seven individuals of Yemeni Nationality (four households) arrived on the commercial ship “Al Madaf”, which reached the Somaliland coastline at 12:00 PM. Due to lack of space at the port, the boat was only able to dock two hours later, at 2:00 PM. In this case, the crossing from Aden (Ma’alla port) to Berbera was paid \$100 per head. The new arrivals did not report any case of armed, physical violence or gender based violence during their journey.

Reception services were provided by DRC, UNHCR and Somali Red Crescent Society (SRCS) teams. The entry formalities were duly conducted by the Government agencies and the Immigration office operating at the sea-port of entry. There were no undocumented foreigners among the newly disembarked. All were found to be in good health and after provision of food and water they were accommodated into the Reception Centre.

Basic services -including water, food and emergency health care- have been made available for the new arrivals at the Centre. IOM and other partners proceeded with the vulnerability assessment for the provision of Onward Transportation Allowance (OTA). Most new arrivals reported that the ongoing war had forced them to leave the country and that transportation between towns and cities inside Yemen continues to be very difficult, if not altogether impossible in some provinces.



Yemeni New Arrivals arriving in Berbera, Somaliland. from the boat. ©UNHCR/R.Awaleh/ March 2016



Yemeni New Arrivals waiting their luggage to be offloaded ©UNHCR/R.Awaleh/ March 2016

Registration

Between 11 March and 29 March 2016, a total of 40 Yemeni refugees (21 cases) have been registered in Hargeisa by the Ministry the Ministry of Resettlement, Rehabilitation & Reconstruction (MRR&R), which also registered a total of seven Yemeni asylum seekers (three cases, Yemenis who arrived in Somaliland before 1 December 2014). A total of 2,928 Yemeni refugees (1,548 cases) have been registered in Hargeisa since 28 March 2015. As of 28 March 2016, a total of 3,046 Yemeni *prima facie* refugees (1,587 cases) have been registered with UNHCR SO Hargeisa



New Arrivals being registered with biometric data capturing. ©UNHCR/R.Awaleh/ March 2016



Health

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Yemeni refugees continue to receive medical assistance through UNHCR Implementing partner Gruppo per le Relazioni Transculturali (GRT) during biometric registration, in case of medical emergency, and after registration in all other cases.

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New Arrivals in need of medical assistance continue to receive assistance from IOM. No serious medical cases have been reported in the last boats arrivals.



Food Security and Nutrition

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The Puntland Students Association, contracted by WFP, provided cooked meals to all new arrivals that were welcomed in Reception Centre 2 in Bossaso. Three meals a day for up to five days.

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DRC, in collaboration with WFP, provided cooked meals to all new arrivals.



Water and Sanitation

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Water, both drinking and for other uses, is provided at the Reception Centre in Bossaso. Sanitation is provided by UNHCR through the Ministry of the Interior, which has hired staff to improve sanitation at the Reception Centre.



Shelter and NFIs

SOMALILAND

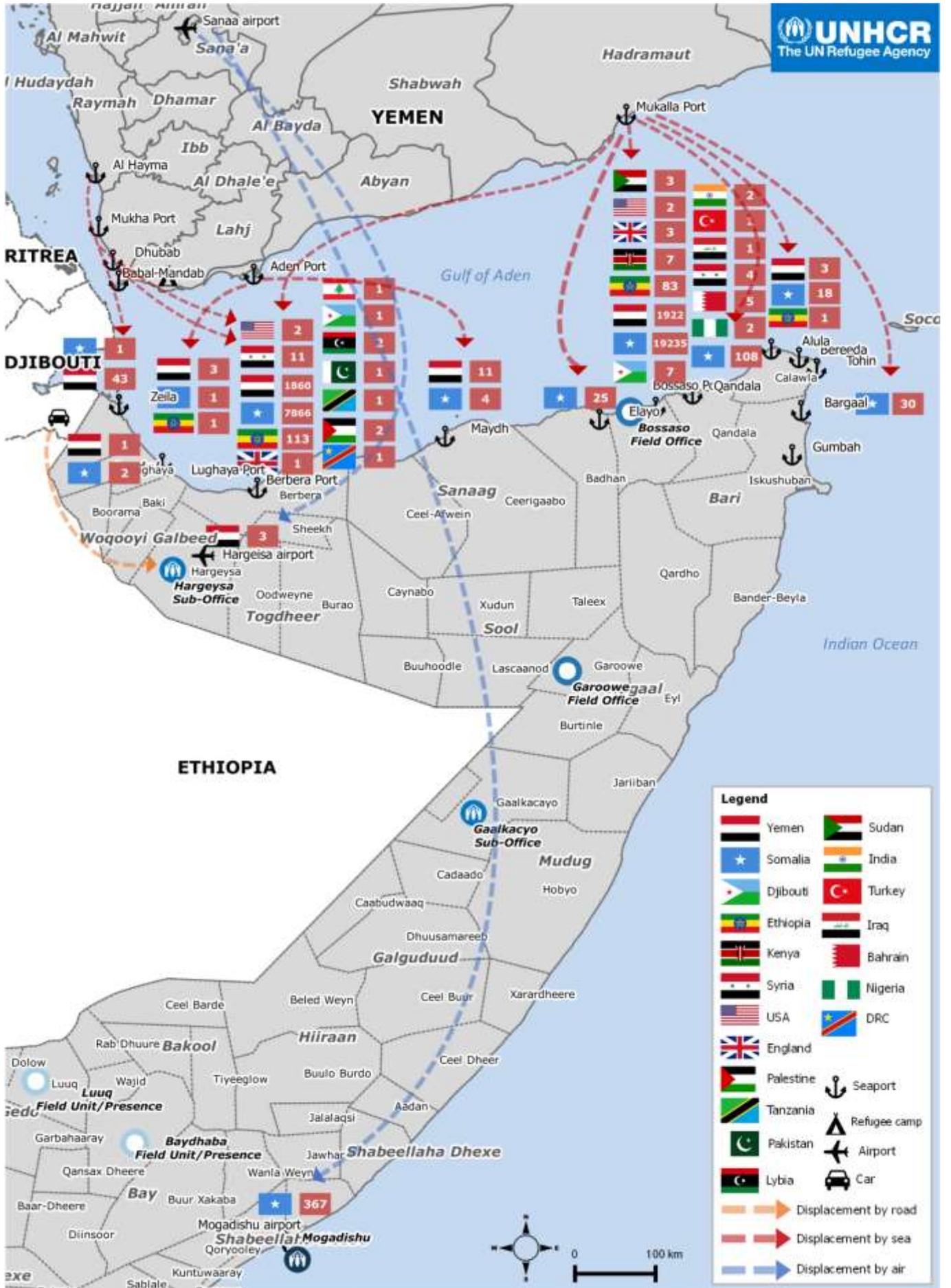
Since the beginning of the Yemeni crisis, 872 Core Relief Item (CRI) kits have been distributed to vulnerable new arrivals. In total 16 CRI have been distributed to vulnerable families who arrived between 18 and 25 March 2016.



Logistics

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So far in the month of March, 69 Somali returnees from South and Central Somalia have been provided with Onward Transport Assistance (OTA) to enable them to reach their places of origin in a safe and dignified manner.



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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The Somalia Response Plan for Yemen Crisis (April – December 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 8.2 M (approximately 10% of total approved budget). The Plan for 2016 has yet to receive funding.

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