

**CMC Meeting Minutes** 

UNHCR Base Camp, Date: 19/08/2014 - 14:00

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# Key messages:

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<u>All new activities in the camp MUST be approved and coordinated with: (a) the government (b) camp</u> <u>management.</u> Camp management will approve requests supported by the relevant sector and if they are cost effective, focused, constructive and have the greatest possible impact. All activities in the camp have an effect on overall security, so it is imperative to go through the correct procedures before commencing any activity in the camp. Any organisation that does not respect this condition will have their permission to operate in the camp revoked by camp management. Contact Kilian Kleinschmidt <u>kleinsch@unhcr.org</u>

Actions:				
Ref	Actions from previous meetings	Who	When	Done?
Emerging	g issue			
Security				
02/7/13	Incident reports should be completed for all incidents, and shared with UNHCR FSA	All	Ongoing	Ongoing
Camp Ma	anagement			
06/08/13	Any meetings with refugees should now take place in the shared meeting area in the buffer zone. Pedestrian gate is open.	All	Ongoing	Ongoing
03/09/13	Agencies planning to have a regular physical presence in the compounds should express their interest to UNHCR camp management	Mohamed Jertila jertila@unchr.org	Ongoing	
03/09/13	Base Camp Management: Team Connect Contact details across Please fill RFO in advance of any issues.	Azmi Alhasany Team Connect azmi@team-connect.co 0798021719		
29/10/13	Public Information and Mass Communication Associate	Naserddine Touaibia <u>touaibia@unhcr.org</u> 0798611914		
24/08/14	All agencies planning to distribute any NFI item in the camp must get prior approval from camp management. All assessments need to be coordinated and require prior approvals.	Johnson Opoka opoka@unhcr.org 796769872		
11/03/14	Electricity	Yanal Madanat <u>almadana@unhcr.org</u> 0797056990		
29/04/14	External Relations	Gavin David White whiteg@unhcr.org 0798175813		

## General announcements:

• A minutes silence was observed to mark World Humanitarian Day.

# Security:

The general security situation in the camp was calm, only a few minor incidents to report:

- 13 August: refugees gathered at the main gate of base camp complaining about the recent cuts in illegal electricity connections in district 5.
- 13 August: a fight occurred between refugees in district 12 (street 6) regarding water allocation.
- 13 August (12:30): Jordanian media reported that 2 missiles were fired from a Syrian fighter jet and landed in Sabha and Subhia in Mafraq, 2km from the Syrian-Jordanian border. This report was false.
- 14 August (15:00): a 10 year old boy died from an electric shock in district 6.
- 16 August: police returned 5 refugees to Zaatari camp.
- 17 August: a water filler was assaulted in district 10 (street 10).
- 17 August: there was a fire in a tent in district 4 (street 14), no casualties reported.
- 17 August: police returned 19 refugees to Zaatari camp.
- 19 August: a boy was treated for burns at the Moroccan hospital after being electrocuted.
- 19 August: police returned 4 refugees to Zaatari camp.

#### Site planning:

UNHCR site planning informed ACTED that the asphalt road at the Eastern gate used for water truck delivery requires maintenance. The contractor suggested to clear the area for 2 days while work is carried out.

#### WASH:

- The site for borehole number 3 has been cleared with work starting on the ground when the selected contractor receives an entry permit.
- The disinfection of water tanks in districts 6, 7 & 8 will be completed in 3 weeks.
- In district 8 prefab WASH blocks have been replaced with concrete structures.
- De-sludging is on-going with no reported complaints.
- A meeting is scheduled on Thursday, 21 August in meeting room 1 of base camp at 09:30-11:30. This is a follow-up meeting from a meeting held on 3 July 2014 with refugee representatives. The purpose of meeting is to provide updates on the water supply activities in Zaatari camp (ongoing and planned).

#### Health:

- It is day 3 of the sixth national oral polio vaccination campaign. So far districts 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, & 8 have been covered. Districts, 1, 2, & 12 will start tomorrow, and Thursday will be dedicated to mopping-up. So far 12,686 children under 5 have been vaccinated. Good cooperation from all agencies involved.
- Zaatari camp continues to receive the war-wounded from Syria, with 7 arriving today.

## Food:

- During the first general food distribution (GFD) cycle of August, 77,747 vouchers were distributed.
- The second GFD cycle started on Sunday 17 August and is scheduled to end on 25 August.
- SuperCereal was distributed during the GFD; 1.5kg for family size 6 and above.
- WFP currently distributes 17.3MT of bread daily, covering 72,083 beneficiaries.
- WFP continues to distribute welcome meals at Raba Sarhan reception centre along with 2kg of dates per beneficiary.
- WFP with NRC are providing welcoming meals in Zaatari for special cases.
- WFP is providing date bars for the summer schools (795 distributed during reporting period) and MoE catch-up classes (1,379 distributed during reporting period).
- WFP are consulting with SRAD regarding the roll-out of the e-vouchers pilot project in the camp.

## **Protection:**

- Since 1 August there have been 1,414 new arrivals registered at Raba Sarhan joint registration centre.
- 10% of new arrivals into Jordan were re-entries. Since January 2014 there have been frequent registered re-entries although this has decreased in recent months which may relate to the new government policy at the Jordanian border.
- The new arrivals were transported to either Azraq (1,284 person) or Zaatari (106 persons).
- 53% of new arrivals were female, and 47% were male.
- 1,231 (88%) crossed into Jordan through unofficial crossing points at Ruwaished.

- 11% of arrivals have serious medical conditions, 8% at risk.
- There were 40 unaccompanied and separated children.
- The majority of new arrivals are from Dara'a (35%), Aleppo (17%), Homs (11%), Rural Damascus (9%), and Hama (9%).
- On the 16 August the camp population was 80,112 (39,369 males and 40,743 females).
- 76 individuals have been transferred to Zaartari camp from Azraq camp for family reunification, and 3 individuals from EJC.
- 39 individuals received bail-out from Zaatari.
- 1,506 individuals returned to Syria over the last 2 weeks. Last week there were 840 spontaneous returns. There have been 16,247 returns since the beginning of the year, 41% returning from the camps and 59% from the urban areas in Jordan. The most pressing reason for return is family reunification.
- 112 families have been granted leave permits for medical cases and family reunification.
- The returns area has been crowded in recent weeks so a new caravan will be installed soon.
- In coordination with the Mafraq Civil Registry, 112 new-born babies were registered last week and 14 birth certificates were issued. 1,336 babies have been registered since July 2013.
- 199 children over 1 years old have not yet received birth certificates meaning that their families are subject to a fine. UNHCR are compiling a list of all names who have not been registered in order to waive the fine.
- A document produced by UNHCR BO highlighting the new registration procedure for bail-outs was circulated during the meeting. This will also be circulated by email.
- Souzan Mohareb, Program Manager from ARDD-Legal Aid announced that ARDD-Legal Aid are now providing free legal services for refugees in the camp. This will be provided through a series of phone lines, referral mechanisms, and direct contact with refugees. This service will start officially next week in coordination with UNHCR.

#### **Community Services:**

• The CS team continue the roll-out of the forum for community service activities in the camp.

#### Youth taskforce:

- The Youth taskforce is supporting the back-to-school campaign.
- Youth based questions have been considered for the SBGV/CP Safety Audit.
- IRD are supporting a stand at Souq Jara to sell handicrafts made by refugees. Souq Jara is located on Rainbow Street in Amman and is open every Friday from 09:30-21:30.
- IRD have also organised a gallery to feature art by youth of Zaatari camp. It will run daily from 16<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> August at *Fen wa Shay* in Jabal Weibdeh, Amman.

## Education:

SCJ informed that the back-to-school campaign is ongoing. Outreach teams have already visited each household in districts 2, 8, 9, & 11. The remaining districts will be complete before the start of the new school term on 24 August. All SCI and WFP sites have clear visibility of the campaign. A reminder that registration of students takes place from 08:30-15:00 every day at the camp schools.

## NFI:

- Hygiene kits will be distributed by NRC within the next few weeks. They are donation from IMC.
- There will also be a distribution of diapers or WASH kits based on decisions from ACTED.

## AOB:

Sobia Oberg has finished her mission in Zaatari. Matthew Richard (UNHCR Associate Coordination Officer) will take over secretariat support for future Zaatari CMC meetings.

## Next meeting will be on Tuesday 26 August, 2014, at Za'atari Base Camp meeting room 4, at 14:00.