

# LIBYA

24 Feb. – 1 Mar. 2018

## Populations Movements

### Key figures:

**165,478** Libyans currently internally displaced (IDPs)<sup>1</sup>

**341,534** returned IDPs (returns registered in 2016 - 2017)<sup>1</sup>

**48,485** registered refugees and asylum-seekers in the State of Libya<sup>2</sup>

**5,258** persons arrived in Italy by sea in 2018<sup>3</sup>

**189** monitoring visits to detention centres so far in 2018

**969** asylum-seekers and refugees released from detention so far in 2018

**1,334** vulnerable refugees and asylum-seekers evacuated since November 2017

### Funding

USD **85** M required for 2018

**A total of 48,485 refugees and asylum-seekers are registered with UNHCR in Libya.** In early February, UNHCR opened a new Registration Centre in Tripoli with the objective of increasing its registration capacity. **In February alone, UNHCR registered 2,350 refugees and asylum-seekers** from Sudan (64%) Syria (12%), Eritrea (11%), Somalia (6%), Ethiopia (5%), Palestine (1%), and South Sudan (1%), in addition to other nationalities. During that month, men represented 13% of the total registered population, while women and children accounted for 58% and 11% respectively. In the last month, UNHCR has noted an increase of Sudanese and Syrians in comparison to the month of January. Overall, Syrian nationals remain the largest registered caseload for UNHCR (47% - 22,613 individuals), followed by Palestinians (15% - 7,052 individuals) and Sudanese (13% - 6,527 individuals).

## UNHCR Response

**Since November 2017, UNHCR has relocated 1,334 refugees and asylum-seekers out of Libya to third countries.** So far, 1,020 individuals have departed to UNHCR's Emergency Transit Mechanism (ETM) in Niger, 312 individuals to Italy and two individuals to UNHCR's Emergency Transit Centre in Romania. On 27 February, UNHCR evacuated 123 vulnerable refugees who had been detained in Tripoli to Niger. UNHCR continues to process refugees for direct resettlement from Libya to third countries. Since October 2017, UNHCR has processed and referred 477 individuals for resettlement, out of which 351 individuals have already been submitted to different resettlement countries.

**So far this year, UNHCR has conducted more than 180 monitoring visits to detention centres in Libya.** In coordination with IOM and through its partner International Medical Corps, UNHCR continues to provide primary healthcare and assistance to refugees and migrants in detention centres.

**In coordination with UN agencies and partners, UNHCR continues to provide humanitarian assistance to approximately 1,200 internally displaced Tawerghans** who remain stranded in Qararat al Qataf (east of Bani Walid) and Harawa (east of Sirt). UNHCR provided non-food items, tents, water and winter clothing to 250 Tawerghan families in Qararat al Qataf. UNHCR will continue to provide assistance in the coming weeks, given the low temperatures and generally harsh weather.

**UNHCR continues to support internally displaced persons (IDPs) and returnees in Benghazi.** This week, UNHCR distributed non-food items and winter relief to over 2,670 IDPs and returnees in the city. With 32,250 IDPs Benghazi hosts the largest number of displaced persons in Libya and 51% of all returnees in the country.

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<sup>1</sup> IOM-DTM Jan.- Feb. 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Data as of 31 January 2018.

<sup>3</sup> [www.data2.unhcr.org](#) as of 28 February 2018.









## Key Figures

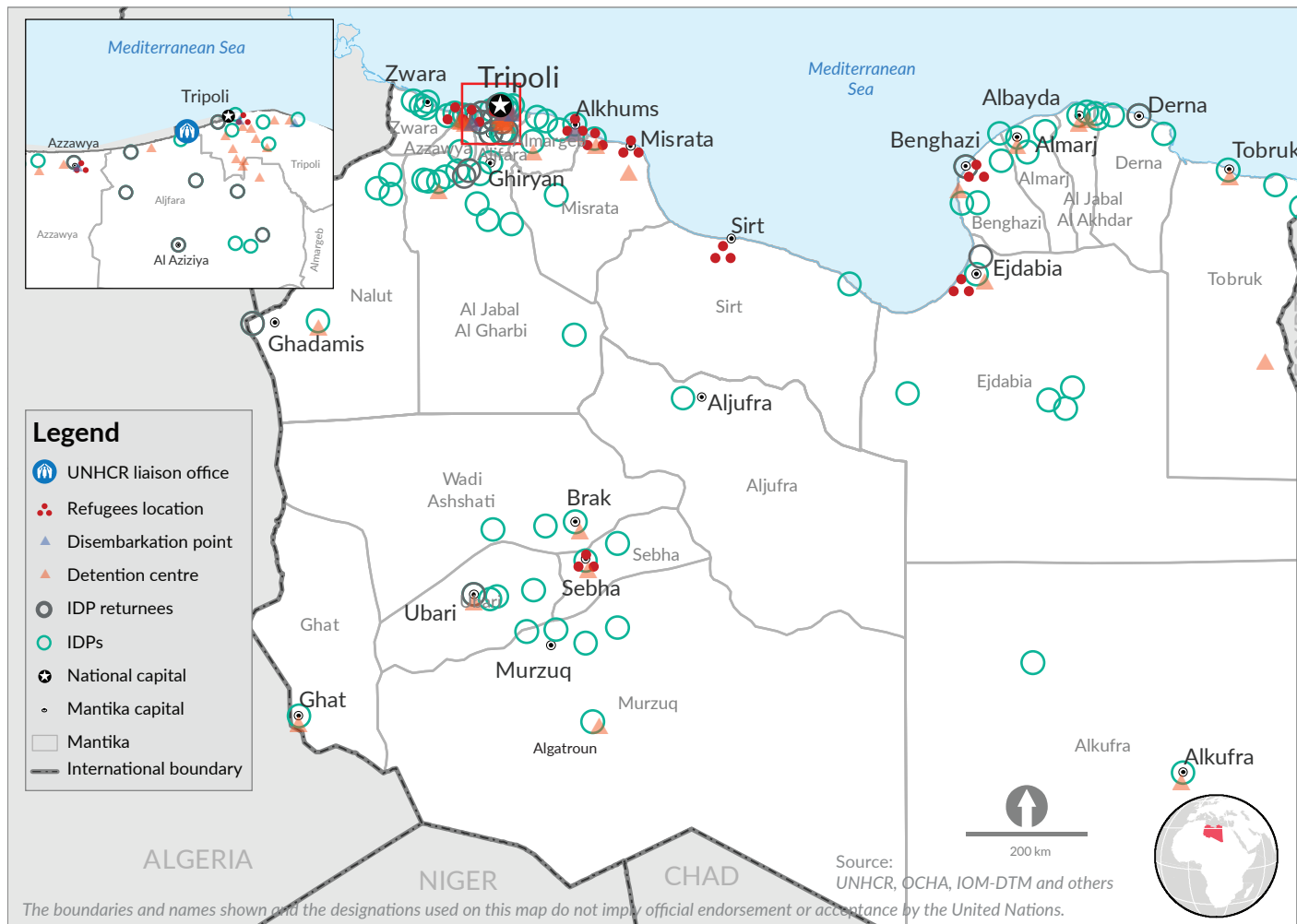
-  **555,497** people of concern
-  **48,485** registered refugees & asylum-seekers
-  **165,478\*** internally displaced persons
-  **341,534\*** IDP returnees

## UNHCR Coordinated Sectors

-  **Protection Sector**
-  **Shelter & NFI Sector**
-  **Cash & Markets Working Group**
-  **Mixed Migration Working Group**  
(Co-led by UNHCR & IOM)

## Key Achievements in 2018

-  **7,815** medical consultations (**35,091** in 2017)
-  **8,270** IDPs and refugees received non-food items (**113,605** in 2017)
-  **317** IDP and refugee households received cash assistance (**3,314** in 2017)
-  **10,124** individuals registered since 2016 (**1,609** in 2018)
-  **1,376** rescue kits and **180** medical consultations provided at disembarkation points (**5,327** and **2,956** in 2017)
-  **189** monitoring visits to detention centres (**1,080** in 2017)
-  **969** detained refugees/asylum-seekers released (**1,428** in 2017)
-  **1,811** refugees and asylum-seekers reached with solutions since Oct 2017: **477** resettlement referrals and **1,334** individuals evacuated from Libya (**1,020** to Niger, **312** to Italy and **2** to Romania)



## UNHCR Funding Requirements

 **USD 85 million** required in 2018 for Libya emergency response

\* IOM-DTM