Minutes of Gambella Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting

UNHCR Sub-Office Conference Room, Gambella Date: Friday 13 October, 2017 Time: 9:00 A.M.

Attendance: <u>UNHCR,WFP, ANE, HI, AAH, MSF Spain, DRC, GOAL, NCA/DCA, WV, MCMDO, Maternity Foundation, ANE,</u> IMC, OXFAM, SCI, DICAC, RADO, OCHA.

The meeting was chaired UNHCR Head of Sub Office Mr. Philippe Creppy and Co-Chaired by Head of Sub Office Assosa Madam Marie Louise. The Head of Sub Office Mr. Philippe Creppy highly appreciated the support of all the partners on their effort on the success of the US Ambassador Mission to Nguenyyiel refugee camp on 24 October 2017.

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Opening Remarks by UNHCR, ARRA	• Head of Sub Office Assosa Madam Marie Louise informed the forum that the main purpose of her visit is to assure the refugee that Assosa is still waiting for them, and she also took the opportunity to appreciate the hard work put on for the refugee relocation since May, 2017 up to now.		
Sectorial updates and current programs	 Operational It was reported that the security situation is currently calm however it is still unpredictable at the same time. Pagak remains closed for the national security purpose. The Head of Sub Office strongly emphasized that Assosa is still open and currently 108 individual have been registered, however with the current situation UNHCR and IOM are looking at options of airlift if it's cost effective. UNHCR announced that on the first week of October 27, 2017 UNHCR Pugnido submitted some items for the Woreda Administrative for the peaceful co-existence activities. It was highlighted the fact that Pamdong is the transit center for refugees 	UNHCR and ARRA to update partners on security situation. Partners to continue awareness creation for the refugees on Assosa relocating. Partners to continue with Pamdong as the transit centre.	UNHCR and ARRA All partners All partners

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	 Shelter DRC updated the meeting that construction of permanent reception center is ongoing. In Nguenyyiel there are 200 empty frame in case any emergency pop-up. It was also discussed on the meeting that an additional 100 frames will be put up as back up until December. The Shelter team assured the forum to strongly work with ANE to maintain the road to Nguenyyiel from the main street up to the camp including additional 7 KM with in the camps. Partners were also reminded to submit their construction drawing for any infrastructure in the camp to the shelter team as to have professional guidance. 	Partners to share their construction designs with the shelter team for the technical support. UNHCR to submit a one page report on the different type of shelters supported with pictures.	Partners UNHCR Shelter team
	 ARRA announced the launched of the Vital Event Registration in the refugee's camps. IMC says to have deployed additional staff in Zone D, however they also reported that there is no case management system put in place in Zone D. on top of that it was reported that they have requested for plastic sheet to put in place a temporary site in Zone D. In the meeting partners reported high rate of theft case occurrence in Nguenyyiel Zone D at night. RADO reported the SGBV Officers are taking SASA training in Addis Ababa for quality service delivery. It was also reported that they started the HIV/AIDS construction at Pugnido-2 where they requested UNHCR Shelter team to extend their technical support. Education Reported that Plan International will be constructing additional semi-permanent class room in Nguenyyiel refugee camp. 	UNHCR to liaise with ARRA regarding the current theft reports on way forwards.	

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	 19 October 2017 UNHCR joined the secondary school inauguration at Jewi refugee camp. Health 		
	 MSF-H reported that they have started collecting blood however it has been a challenge as the need of blood is very high whereas collecting blood from the refugees is forbidden. 		
	 MSF-H requested UNCHR to liaise with ARRA if blood could be collected from refugees. 		
	• ARRA said that the health post in Nguenyyiel has started providing service to the people of concern.		
	 WFP reported that food for the month of October is ongoing for Jewi and Tierkidi refugee camp where as for the other camps are finalized except for Nguenyyiel refugee camp. 		
Mission	 31 October -01 November 2017, UNHCR will be hosting the Deputy High Commissioners Mission to Gambella together with the Qatar Agency for Development. 7 -9 November UNHCR will be hosting the Irish Mission to Gambella. 	Partners to continue with their usual support in the field.	
AOB	• The Head of Sub Office Gambella reported that he will be leaving Gambella operation in the coming week. He appreciated the whole team for the remarkable support during his stay in Gambella Operation and to continue with the similar support for the new Head of Sub coming in replacement.		

The next meeting – partners to be informed.