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## ***Somalia – Complex Emergency***

Fact Sheet #9, Fiscal Year (FY) 2007

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*NOTE: The last fact sheet was dated February 16, 2007.*

### **KEY DEVELOPMENTS**

- Insecurity continues to hinder the provision of humanitarian and social services in Mogadishu. Humanitarian agencies report that ongoing violence has restricted staff movement, as well as the population’s ability to access services, including health clinics, feeding centers, and schools.

### **HUMANITARIAN FUNDING PROVIDED TO DATE (FY 2006 AND FY 2007)**

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| <b>USAID/OFDA Assistance to Somalia</b> .....                   | <b>\$10,679,305</b>  |
| <b>USAID/FFP<sup>1</sup> Assistance to Somalia</b> .....        | <b>\$96,276,600</b>  |
| <b>State/PRM<sup>2</sup> Assistance to Somalia</b> .....        | <b>\$4,520,000</b>   |
| <b>USAID and State Humanitarian Assistance to Somalia</b> ..... | <b>\$111,475,905</b> |

### **CURRENT SITUATION**

#### *Humanitarian Access*

- Transport of humanitarian supplies into Somalia remains challenging due to ongoing security incidents in the country, as well as limited overland transport from Kenya. In Mogadishu, threats and attacks on or near the port and airport have constrained incoming transport. In addition, humanitarian agencies have reported numerous official and unofficial checkpoints along key roads, adding further logistical challenges to surface transport.
- Humanitarian agencies continue to await clarification from the Government of Kenya on permission for cross-border transport into Somalia.
- The USG Disaster Assistance Response Team (USG/DART) continues to monitor the situation and collaborate with humanitarian agencies to address the issue of humanitarian access in Somalia.

#### *Population Movements*

- The Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) reported that escalating violence and insecurity are destabilizing Mogadishu and resulting in some population displacement. Reports from humanitarian agencies indicate that approximately 650 families have temporarily settled along the Mogadishu-Afgooye road. While international media and local civil society have cited estimates of up to 12,000 people having left Mogadishu, exact figures are difficult to ascertain due to the fluid situation and limited access.
- Conflict-related displacement and refugee flows in December 2006 and January 2007 were generally short-term and within regions, with a majority of individuals already returning to areas of origin. However, some households in Lower Juba Region remain displaced following fighting in late January.

#### *Health*

- The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) reported increasing numbers of weapons-related injuries at hospitals in Mogadishu. In January, ICRC treated 235 weapon-wounded patients, primarily civilians, at ICRC-managed hospitals in the capital. In conjunction with the recent escalation of violence in Mogadishu, one ICRC-managed hospital received 45 patients on February 17 and 18.

### **USAID AND STATE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE**

- USAID/OFDA emergency relief activities in Somalia benefit more than 2 million people affected by repeated shocks of drought, floods, and conflict. USAID/OFDA ongoing programs from FY 2006 complement current FY 2007 relief efforts for affected communities in southern and central regions. USAID/FFP is providing food assistance with carryover commodities from FY 2006 funding, supplemented by additional stocks funded in FY 2007.
- State/PRM is assisting Somali refugees in Kenya and Ethiopia and relief efforts in Somalia through FY 2007 and ongoing FY 2006 refugee programs. In FY 2006, State/PRM provided nearly \$15 million in earmarked funding for Somalia and Somali refugees in the Horn of Africa. To date in FY 2007, State/PRM has provided \$5.6 million in earmarked funding for UNHCR operations in Kenya, Ethiopia, and Somalia and \$2 million to CARE for assistance to Somali refugees in Kenya.

<sup>1</sup> USAID’s Office of Food for Peace

<sup>2</sup> U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration

## USAID AND STATE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SOMALIA

| <i>Implementing Partner</i>  | <i>Activity</i>  | <i>Location</i>              | <i>Amount</i>       |
|--|--|------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>FY 2007</b>   |  |                              |                     |
| <b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE<sup>1</sup></b>                                   |  |                              |                     |
| U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)                               | Nutrition  | Countrywide                  | \$850,000           |
| Matrix   | 12 Zodiac Boats and Motors   | Flood-affected Areas         | \$243,523           |
| U.N. Children's Fund (UNICEF)  | UNCAS  | Countrywide                  | \$878,470           |
| UNICEF <sup>2</sup>  | Rapid Response Fund  | Flood-affected Areas         | \$250,000           |
| UNICEF   | Health, and Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene                             | Countrywide                  | \$1,500,000         |
| USAID  | Program support costs  | Countrywide                  | \$38,900            |
| <b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA</b>  |  |                              | <b>\$3,760,893</b>  |
| <b>USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE<sup>3</sup></b>                                    |  |                              |                     |
| U.N. World Food Program (WFP)  | 22,390 metric tons (MT) of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance | Countrywide                  | \$14,876,600        |
| <b>TOTAL USAID/FFP</b>   |  |                              | <b>\$14,876,600</b> |
| <b>STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE</b>  |  |                              |                     |
| UNHCR  | Global Appeal  | Countrywide                  | \$450,000           |
| <b>TOTAL STATE/PRM</b>   |  |                              | <b>\$450,000</b>    |
| <b>TOTAL USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SOMALIA IN FY 2007</b>           |  |                              | <b>\$18,637,493</b> |
| <b>TOTAL USAID AND STATE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SOMALIA IN FY 2007</b> |  |                              | <b>\$19,087,493</b> |
| <b>FY 2006</b>   |  |                              |                     |
| <b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE</b>   |  |                              |                     |
| Action Contre la Faim  | Water and Sanitation   | Bakool Region                | \$852,569           |
| Adventist Development and Relief Agency                                    | Water and Sanitation, Food Security and Agriculture                    | Bakool Region                | \$1,315,133         |
| International Medical Corps  | Nutrition, Food Security and Agriculture                               | Bakool Region                | \$638,716           |
| FAO  | Nutrition Surveillance   | Countrywide                  | \$700,000           |
| UNICEF   | Water and Sanitation   | Countrywide                  | \$2,550,000         |
| U.N. World Health Organization (WHO)                                       | Health   | Countrywide                  | \$200,000           |
| World Concern  | Food Security and Agriculture, Water and Sanitation                    | Middle Juba Region           | \$399,994           |
| World Vision   | Water and Sanitation   | Middle Juba Region           | \$250,000           |
|  | Administrative and Support Costs                                       | Countrywide                  | \$12,000            |
| <b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA</b>  |  |                              | <b>\$6,918,412</b>  |
| <b>USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE<sup>3</sup></b>                                    |  |                              |                     |
| CARE   | 73,410 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance               | Southern and Central Somalia | \$48,113,000        |
| WFP  | 48,350 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance               | Countrywide                  | \$33,287,000        |
| <b>TOTAL USAID/FFP</b>   |  |                              | <b>\$81,400,000</b> |
| <b>STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE</b>  |  |                              |                     |
| ICRC   | Refugee Assistance   | Countrywide                  | \$3,000,000         |
| UNHCR  | Refugee Assistance   | Countrywide                  | \$1,070,000         |
| <b>TOTAL STATE/PRM</b>   |  |                              | <b>\$4,070,000</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SOMALIA IN FY 2006</b>           |  |                              | <b>\$88,318,412</b> |
| <b>TOTAL USAID AND STATE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SOMALIA IN FY 2006</b> |  |                              | <b>\$92,388,412</b> |

<sup>1</sup> USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of February 23, 2007.

<sup>2</sup> Through a standing agreement with UNICEF, USAID/OFDA approved the use of \$250,000 in rapid response funds to Somalia.

<sup>3</sup> Estimated value of food assistance.

**PUBLIC DONATION INFORMATION**

- The most effective way people can assist relief efforts is by making cash contributions to humanitarian organizations that are conducting relief operations. Information on identifying such organizations is available in the “How Can I Help” section of [www.usaid.gov](http://www.usaid.gov) – Keyword: Somalia or by calling The Center for International Disaster Information (CIDI) at 703-276-1914.
- USAID encourages cash donations because they: allow aid professionals to procure the exact items needed (often in the affected region); reduce the burden on scarce resources (such as transportation routes, staff time, warehouse space, etc); can be transferred very quickly and without transportation costs; support the economy of the disaster-stricken region; ensure culturally, dietary, and environmentally appropriate assistance.
- More information can be found at:
  - USAID: [www.usaid.gov](http://www.usaid.gov) – Keyword: Donations
  - The Center for International Disaster Information: [www.cidi.org](http://www.cidi.org) or (703) 276-1914
  - Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at [www.reliefweb.int](http://www.reliefweb.int).