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HAITI – Earthquake

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January 19, 2010

Note: The last fact sheet was dated January 18, 2010.

KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- On January 18, Haitian Prime Minister Bellerive noted that the Government of Haiti (GoH) has declared a countrywide state of emergency and one month of mourning. The GoH is working to stabilize the situation in the country and has requested that banks, including at least 30 in Port-au-Prince, reopen on January 19, allowing businesses to distribute employees' salaries and restart operations.
- On January 18, the U.N. World Food Program (WFP) distributed emergency food items to approximately 100,000 people inside and outside Port-au-Prince, bringing the total number of food aid beneficiaries since the earthquake to 200,000 people. Within the week, WFP aims to distribute 10 million ready-to-eat meals through four humanitarian hubs and at approximately 30 additional locations across Haiti.
- The GoH is prioritizing a rapid return to economic activities through the establishment of food- and cash-for-work programs, including efforts to re-establish power and remove debris from roads, according to the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA).
- The U.N. Protection Cluster, headed by the U.N. Children's Fund (UNICEF) and Save the Children, began meeting on January 18. Partners are establishing a system for displaced children, and the cluster will issue guidance on management of displaced children in the coming days. The cluster plans to establish child-friendly centers soon. In addition to the protection cluster, the U.N. has activated new clusters in early recovery and education.

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE		SOURCE
Estimated Number of Deaths	At least 65,000 people	GoH – January 17
Estimated Number Displaced	200,000	IOM ¹ – January 18
Estimated Affected Population	Approximately 3 million people	U.N. – January 15

FY 2010 HUMANITARIAN FUNDING PROVIDED TO DATE

Total FY 2010 USAID/OFDA Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	\$81,864,571
Total FY 2010 USAID/FFP Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	
Total FY 2010 USAID/DR Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	, ,
Total FY 2010 USAID Humanitarian Assistance to Haiti for the Earthquake	

CURRENT SITUATION

Search and Rescue Operations

• As of 2000 hours local time on January 18, U.S. Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) teams had rescued a total of approximately 40 individuals from collapsed buildings, including 12 people rescued on January 17. As of January 18, international and U.S. USAR teams had rescued 90 individuals throughout Port-au-Prince, according to UNDAC. Search and rescue activities will continue until the GoH officially decides to cease operations.

Emergency Food Assistance and Relief Supplies

- In the coming week, WFP aims to move the equivalent of 10 million ready-to-eat meals. To achieve this, WFP is establishing four humanitarian hubs to deliver food assistance in Port-au-Prince and at least 30 others at locations across Haiti.
- According to USAID/Haiti staff, USAID partner World Vision plans to distribute food commodities and emergency relief supplies to 25,000 families over the next 1.5 months. World Vision will distribute P.L. 480 Title II emergency food commodities, kitchen kits, water purification tablets, and hygiene kits. Distribution sites in Port-au-Prince will include Petitonville, Canape Vert, Juvenat, Bourdon, Turgeau, and Peguy Ville.
- On January 18, the USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team (USAID/DART) consigned to IOM the following emergency relief supplies: 8,448 hygiene kits, 48 kitchen sets, 300 rolls of plastic sheeting, 2,460 ten-liter

¹ International Organization for Migration

collapsible water containers, 10 water bladders, and tents. The tents were provided from the U.S. Department of Defense's (DoD) excess property.

• To date, USAID/OFDA commodities delivered to Port-au-Prince include nine water treatment units to provide at least 900,000 liters of safe drinking water for 90,000 individuals per day; more than 71,000 10-liter water containers to benefit 142,000 people; nearly 19,000 hygiene kits to serve approximately 94,000 beneficiaries; 700 rolls of plastic sheeting to support the shelter needs of approximately 35,000 people; and 18 water bladders each with a capacity of 10,000 liters, and five U.N. World Health Organization (WHO) medical kits capable of supplying medical supplies for up to 10,000 individuals for a two-month period. Relief commodities have been consigned to implementing partners on the ground and distribution is ongoing.

Logistics

- According to participants in the January 18 U.N. logistics cluster meeting, a more organized system is currently in place at the airport, resulting in improved flight operations. The U.N. confirmed that priority has been given to flights carrying food and water. The GoH has positioned a representative at the airport to assist in moving commodities and equipment to and from the facility. On January 18, WFP began operating a 3,500 square meter warehouse at the airport that NGOs can use to store emergency relief supplies. The United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH) is providing security for the warehouse.
- Due to limited and damaged infrastructure in Haiti, the U.N. has begun developing a significant support capacity in the Dominican Republic to provide the humanitarian community with additional ports of entry. The U.N. has also established and staffed a logistics cluster in Santo Domingo to assist with the receipt and transfer of relief supplies into Haiti's earthquake-affected areas. The cluster has obtained a warehouse in Santo Domingo for this purpose and hired security personnel. According to U.N. officials, MINUSTAH will escort Haiti-bound relief supply vehicles from the border to Port-au-Prince.
- The USAID/DART is collaborating with USAID/Haiti staff to facilitate the rental of additional commodity transportation trucks to supplement the so far inadequate MINUSTAH fleet.

Health

• The GoH Ministry of Health (MoH) has created a National Health Commission to coordinate the local and international response, according to the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO). PAHO reports that the MoH has defined three levels of health care: mobile health clinics, fixed health centers for individuals with minor health problems, and hospitals with surgical capacities. The U.N. health cluster is working to support these GoH priorities, including by coordinating the arrival and deployment of field hospitals. At present, multiple field hospitals are operating in Haiti, and additional hospitals are en route. Members of the health cluster are assessing the capacity of existing hospitals to identify priorities and needs.

Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)

- Currently a USAID/OFDA-funded Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT) and an International Medical Surgical Response Team are providing patient care using temporary medical stations set up in a soccer field near a Port-au-Prince medical clinic. As of 0700 hours on January 19, HHS medical professionals had reported a cumulative total of 3,763 patient encounters since arrival in-country, including 3,145 encounters on January 18.
- The USAID/DART reported a sufficient number of water treatment systems in metropolitan Port-au-Prince. The WASH cluster—the only cluster led by the GoH—together with the private sector, is capable of pumping 1 million gallons of water per day, a sufficient amount to service metropolitan Port-au-Prince. However, the USAID/DART anticipates greater need for water treatment systems outside metropolitan Port-au-Prince, a prediction that the humanitarian community is working to assess. The USAID/DART WASH expert has received reports that tanker trucks are available in Port-au-Prince but lack fuel to move the water. The USAID/DART will examine the need for water bladders and latrines on January 20, while USAID/OFDA works to secure latrines and latrine platforms.
- According to the U.N. WASH Cluster, many displaced persons sites have not received the necessary quantity of water for distributions due to the lack of fuel. UNICEF and the GoH's National Direction for Potable Water and Sanitation (DINEPA) are working jointly to solve this problem. On January 18, UNICEF and DINEPA provided 7,000 gallons of fuel to assist with water distributions. On January 18, relief agencies distributed water at 80 points, a two-fold increase from the previous day. According to the GoH's Minister of Social Affairs and Labor, water purification units have been established in the city. At the January 19 Humanitarian Forum meeting, UNICEF reported the arrival of a sufficient number of water purification units and noted that relief agencies should not send additional units at this time.

Population Movement

• According to the USAID/DART, the GoH Minister of Interior reports that residents of Port-au-Prince are traveling to less-affected cities. The USAID/DART notes that the magnitude of this movement from the capital to other cities is unclear. At a meeting with President Préval, municipalities were encouraged to take the lead in supporting these displaced persons. The GoH Minister of Interior noted that municipal authorities will play a significant role in planning relief distribution and identifying land for provisional resettlements

U.S. GOVERMENT HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

- To date in FY 2010, USAID has provided nearly \$131 million in humanitarian assistance for the Haiti earthquake, including a USAID/OFDA contribution of approximately \$82 million, USAID/FFP food assistance valued at an estimated \$48 million, and a USAID/DR reprogramming of \$1 million in funding.
- On January 12, USAID/OFDA activated a Washington D.C.-based Response Management Team (RMT) to support the USAID/DART that deployed to Haiti early on January 13 to assess humanitarian conditions and coordinate activities with the humanitarian community. The 30-member USAID/DART continues to assess priority humanitarian needs and identify emergency relief supplies for immediate delivery to Port-au-Prince from the USAID/OFDA warehouse in Miami.
- DoD has authorized \$20 million in overseas humanitarian and disaster assistance appropriations in support of the Haiti earthquake relief effort. DoD has been supporting the humanitarian response through transportation of emergency relief personnel and commodities into Haiti. In addition, several U.S. military ships are currently positioned near Haiti to provide tactical and operational support to the emergency response operation.
- On January 13, U.S Ambassador to Haiti Kenneth H. Merten declared a disaster due to the effects of the earthquake. In response, USAID/OFDA provided an initial \$50,000 through the U.S. Embassy in Port-au-Prince for the implementation of an emergency response program. USAID/OFDA is providing additional assistance in accordance with the findings of USAID/DART and humanitarian community assessments, as access to affected groups expands over the coming days.

FY 2010				
Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount	
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE ¹				
DOD	Logistics and Relief Supplies	Affected Areas	\$1,500,000	
FEMA	Search and Rescue	Affected Areas	\$36,000,000	
HHS	Health	Affected Areas	\$13,000,000	
IOM	Logistics and Relief Supplies	Affected Areas	\$7,000,000	
USAID/DR	Logistics and Relief Supplies	Affected Areas	\$1,350,000	
TBD	Emergency Response Activities	Affected Areas	\$50,000	
WFP	Humanitarian Air Service, Logistics and Commodities	Affected Areas	\$10,000,000	
WHO	Basic Health Services	Affected Areas	\$5,000,000	
	Logistics and Relief Supplies	Affected Areas	\$7,893,641	
	Administrative Costs	Affected Areas	\$70,930	
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$81,864,571	
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE ²				
WFP	14,550 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Affected Areas	\$18,000,000	
WFP	TBD	Affected Areas	\$30,000,000	
TOTAL USAID/FFP			\$48,000,000	
USAID/DR ASSISTANCE				
USAID/DR	Health	Affected Areas	\$1,000,000	

USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO HAITI FOR THE EARTHQUAKE

TOTAL USAID/DR	\$1,000,000			
FY 2010 HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO DATE				
USAID/OFDA	\$81,864,571			
USAID/FFP	\$48,000,000			
USAID/DR	\$1,000,000			
TOTAL USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO HAITI	\$130,864,571			

1 USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of January 19, 2010.

2 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 organizations responding to the humanitarian situation in Haiti may be available at www.relief.web.int.
- 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; and ensure culturally, dietary, and environmentally appropriate assistance.
- More information can be found at:
 - o USAID: www.usaid.gov Keyword: Donations
 - o The Center for International Disaster Information: www.cidi.org or (703) 276-1914
 - o Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at www.reliefweb.int