

SOMALIA TASK FORCE ON YEMEN SITUATION

INTER-AGENCY UPDATE #7

29 March - 11 April 2016

KEY FIGURES

31,890

Arrivals from Yemen since 27 March at the early onset of the crisis

5,743

Yemenis registered in Somalia since 27 March (including Somalis with dual Yemeni-Somali citizenship)

19,910

Arrivals registered at Reception Centers in Berbera, Bossaso and Mogadishu since 27 March

52%

Registered arrivals expressing intention to return to Mogadishu

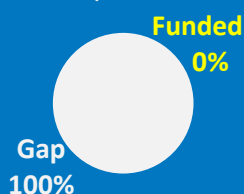
9,934

Somali returnees provided with onward transportation assistance since 27 March

FUNDING

USD 39.3 million

Requested for the Somalia Response Plan for Yemen Crisis (January-December 2016)

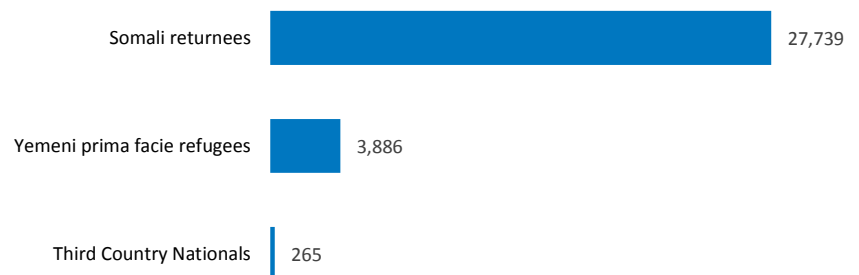


HIGHLIGHTS

- During the reporting period, a total of 98 individuals arrived in Somalia through the ports of Berbera, in Somaliland (19 persons), and Bossaso (55 persons) and Caluula, in Puntland (24). Out of this total, 60 individuals were registered by UNHCR in collaboration with local authorities and partners in the Berbera and Bossaso Reception Centres.

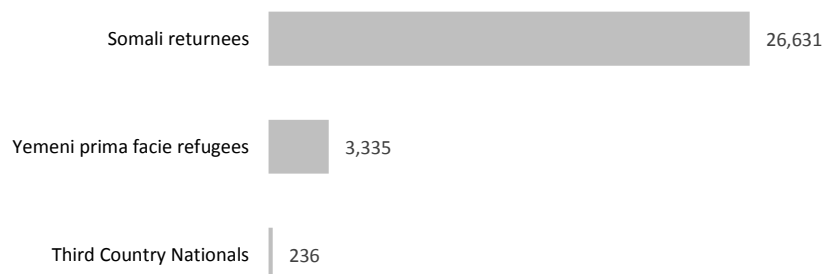
Population of concern

A total of **31,890** people of concern

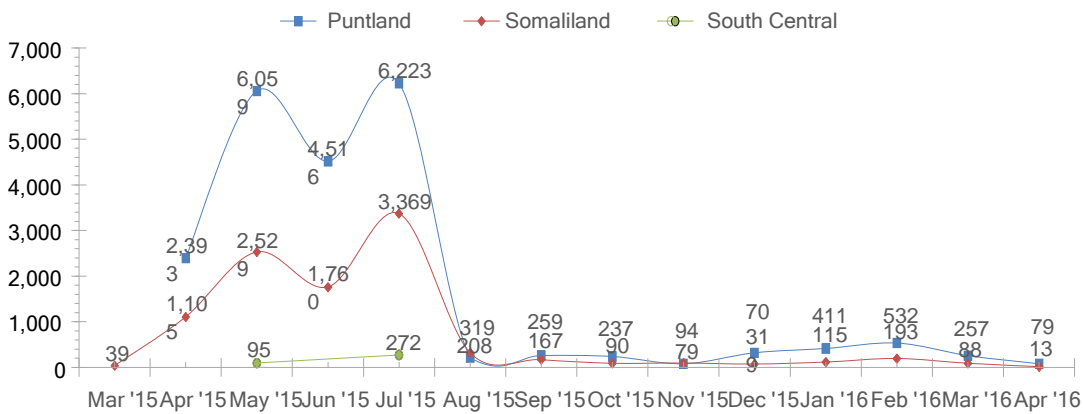


2015 Population of concern

A total of **30,202** people of concern in 2015



ARRIVALS PER MONTH



Month	Total # of Arrivals
Mar 2015	39
Apr 2015	3,498
May 2015	8,683
Jun 2015	6,276
Jul 2015	9,864
Aug 2015	527
Sep 2015	426
Oct 2015	327
Nov 2015	173
Dec 2015	389
Jan 2016	526
Feb 2016	725
Mar 2016	345
Apr 2016	92
Total	31,890

ARRIVALS PER NATIONALITY AND GENDER/AGE

Nationality	Arrived to			Total	
	Puntland	Somaliland	South Central		
Bahrain	5			5	0 %
Bangladesh	1			1	0 %
DRC		1		1	0 %
Djibouti	7	1		8	0 %
England	3	1		4	0 %
Ethiopia	89	114		203	1 %
India	2			2	0 %
Iraq	1			1	0 %
Kenya	8			8	0 %
Lebanon		1		1	0 %
Libya		2		2	0 %
Nigeria	2			2	0 %
Pakistan		1		1	0 %
Palestine		2		2	0 %
Somalia	19,492	7,880	367	27,739	87 %
Sudan	3			3	0 %
Syria	4	11		15	0 %
Tanzania		1		1	0 %
Turkey	1			1	0 %
USA	2	2		4	0 %
Yemen	1,952	1,934		3,886	12 %
Total	21,572	9,951	367	31,890	100 %
	67.65 %	31.20 %	1.15 %		

G/A	Arrived to			Total	
	PL	SL	SC		
Children	8,870	4,564	23	13,457	43 %
Females	6,502	2,658	123	9,283	29 %
Males	6,041	2,729	112	8,882	28 %
Total	21,413	9,951	258	31,622	100 %
	67.72 %	31.47 %	0.82 %		

Note: not all individuals that arrived remained to be registered. The figures shown here reflect those who have chosen to have their bio data collected

INTENDED AREAS OF RETURN OF REGISTERED ARRIVALS

Areas of Intended Return	First Point of Entry from Yemen			Total	
	Puntland	Somaliland	South Central		
Mogadishu	5,258	5,165	0	10,423	52 %
Hargeisa	387	2,034	0	2,421	12 %
Bossaso	851	251	0	1,102	6 %
Kismaayo	445	192	0	637	3 %
Baidoa	477	156	0	633	3 %
Afgooye	290	124	0	414	2 %
Other locations	2,246	1,972	62	4,280	22 %
Total Arrivals Registered at Reception Centers	9,954	9,894	62	19,910	100 %

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

PUNTLAND

The number of persons arriving from Yemen to Bossaso has decreased, but still remains unpredictable, despite the cessation of hostilities and diplomatic efforts underway in Yemen. Larger displacements may still occur.

SOMALILAND

Since March 2015, 9,966 new arrivals (3,323 families) have been recorded in Somaliland, including 1,941 Yemenis, 7,877 Somalis, 114 Ethiopians and 23 people of other nationalities. Number of new arrivals in Berbera remain relatively low.

Achievements



PUNTLAND

During reporting period, two boats arrived from Yemen in the port of Bossaso, carrying respectively 31 and 37 individuals, for a total of 68 new arrivals.

At their point of entry, the new arrivals were assisted with refreshments provided by Danish Refugee Council (DRC), transport from the port to the Reception Centre and biometric registration for all arrivals. Three meals a day are provided for up to five days by WFP to all new arrivals at the reception Centre.

SOMALILAND

On 30 March a boat carrying four Yemenis arrived in Berbera from Aden. The following day, another boat arrived carrying two Yemeni nationals (two households) who reported that they had paid 100 USD to travel from Aden (Ma'alla port) to Berbera. On 1 April, a third boat carrying 13 individuals (nine households), seven Yemenis and six Somalis reached Berbera on board the "Al Amir", having paid 150 USD for the crossing from Yemen to Somaliland. The new arrivals did not report any case of armed, physical violence or GBV during their journey.

Reception services were provided by DRC, UNHCR and Somali Red Crescent Society (SRCS) teams. The entry formalities were duly conducted by the Government agencies and the Immigration office operating at the sea-port of entry. There were no undocumented foreigners among the newly disembarked. All persons were found to be in good health condition, and, after provision of food and water, they were accommodated in the Reception Centre.

Basic needs -including water, food and emergency health care facilities- have been made available for the new arrivals at the Centre. Comprehensive Community Based Rehabilitation in Somaliland (CCBRS) conducted vulnerability assessments for the provision of Onward Transportation Allowance (OTA) by IOM. Most new arrivals reported that the ongoing war in Yemen had forced them to leave their country and that transportation between towns and cities inside Yemen is very difficult, if not altogether impossible in some provinces.

Among the new arrivals, two women were identified as persons with special needs. A SGBV survivor (who was raped in Yemen a year ago) and an elderly disabled woman who cannot walk. Both were referred to CCBRS for further assistance. The elderly disabled woman was also referred to IOM to facilitate an airplane ticket to her final destination, Mogadishu.

All people of concern were provided by DRC with non-food item (NFI) kits, water and accommodation at the Reception Centre.



The boat “AL AMIR” approaching Berbera port
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New Arrival being registered with biometric data capturing.
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Returns to Yemen

Forty Yemeni refugees spontaneously returned to Yemen on 23 March, claiming that they were returning to places that are safe and stable and that their departure was motivated in part by their not having received their monthly subsistence allowance.

Registration

The Ministry of Resettlement, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction (MRR&R) has suspended registration activities.



PUNTLAND

Yemeni refugees continue to receive medical assistance through UNHCR Implementing partner Gruppo per le Relazioni Transculturali (GRT), during biometric registration in case of medical emergencies and after registration in all other cases. Médecins du Monde (MDM) operates eight Mother and Child Health centres (MCHs) where all persons, returnees included, can receive free primary medical assistance.

SOMALILAND

New arrivals in need of medical assistance continue to receive assistance from IOM. Eight medical cases have been referred to IOM for medical assistance, among them a case of a woman who had suffered a spinal injury while in Yemen and a TB patient who has been under treatment for four months.

Food Security and Nutrition

PUNTLAND

The Puntland Students Association, contracted by WFP, provided cooked meals to all new arrivals that were welcomed in Reception Centre 2 in Bossaso. Three meals a day for up to five days.

SOMALILAND

DRC, in collaboration with WFP, provided cooked meals to all new arrivals.

Water and Sanitation

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Water, both drinking and for other uses, is provided at the Reception Centre in Bossaso. Sanitation is provided by UNHCR through staff hired by the Ministry of the Interior.

Shelter and NFIs

SOMALILAND

Since the beginning of the Yemeni crisis, 877 Core Relief Item (CRI) kits have been distributed to vulnerable new arrivals. Five CRIs have been distributed to vulnerable families who arrived between 31 March and 1 April.

Logistics

PUNTLAND

During the reporting period, 18 Somali returnees from South and Central Somalia were provided with Onward Transport Assistance (OTA) to enable them to reach their places of origin. So far in the month of March, 87 Somali returnees from South and Central Somalia have been provided with OTA to reach their places of origin in a safe and dignified manner.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The Somalia Response Plan for Yemen Crisis (April – December 2015) was released on 4 June and shared with donors, governments and partners. 11 UN agencies and NGOs participate in the inter-agency response. The Response Plan can be accessed at <http://goo.gl/pVH7da>. Total funding received to date is USD 8.2 M (approximately 10% of total approved budget). The Plan for 2016 has yet to receive funding.

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