



# WEST AFRICA – EBOLA OUTBREAK

FACT SHEET #37, FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2015

JUNE 30, 2015

## NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

27,514

Number of Suspected,
Probable, and Confirmed
Ebola Virus Disease (EVD)
Cases in Acutely Affected
Countries\*
UN World Health Organization

11,220

(WHO) -

June 30, 2015

Number of EVD-Related Deaths in Acutely Affected Countries\* WHO – June 30, 2015

13,119

Number of EVD Cases in Sierra Leone\* WHO – June 30, 2015

10,666

Number of EVD Cases in Liberia\*

WHO – June 30, 2015

3,729

Number of EVD Cases in Guinea\*

WHO – June 30, 2015

\*Includes cumulative EVD cases in Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone. Numbers are subject to change due to reclassification, retrospective investigation, and availability of laboratory results.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- The Government of Liberia (GoL) reports first new confirmed EVD case in Liberia since March 22
- Overall EVD transmission continues to decrease in Sierra Leone since early June; renewed efforts to reach zero cases in Western Area Urban District begin
- The Government of Guinea (GoG) launches a 21-day EVD case finding and social mobilization campaign across three prefectures with active transmission

## USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO EVD OUTBREAK RESPONSE

TO DATE IN FY 2014 & FY 2015

USAID/OFDA <sup>1</sup>	\$736,477,663
USAID/FFP <sup>2</sup>	\$104,247,423
USAID/GH³	\$20,076,000
USAID/Liberia	\$16,100,000
USAID/Guinea	\$3,482,000
DoD4	\$416,935,400
CDC <sup>5</sup>	\$479,609,040 <sup>6,7</sup>

\$1,776,927,526

USG ASSISTANCE TO THE WEST AFRICA EVD OUTBREAK RESPONSE®

## **KEY DEVELOPMENTS**

- On June 29, the GoL reported the identification of a new EVD case in Nedowian village,
  Margibi County, Liberia's first new case since March 22. The GoL, technical experts from
  CDC, the USG Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART), and other EVD response actors
  are investigating the case, identifying known contacts, and working with local officials in the
  affected county. To date, the source of transmission is unknown.
- WHO reports that between June 10 and 24, the area of active transmission in Guinea's four EVD-affected prefectures—Boké, Conakry, Dubréka, and Forécariah—has changed and, in some cases, expanded. For instance, in Boké Prefecture, EVD cases are increasingly found among more densely populated urban areas. The new case in the capital city of Conakry is not linked to a known source of transmission.
- The two cases reported in Sierra Leone's capital city of Freetown are the first confirmed cases in Western Area Urban in more than two weeks, according to WHO.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA)

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  USAID's Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP)  $\,$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> USAID's Bureau for Global Health (USAID/GH)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> U.S. Department of Defense (DoD)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

<sup>6</sup> In FY 2014, CDC funded its West Africa EVD response with CDC's internal operational resources. Of the \$462,170,040 that CDC has thus far obligated in FY 2015, approximately \$70,336,744 supports activities outside the United States and \$339,043,732 supports activities inside the U.S. This amount includes some estimated salaries and benefits during the Continuing Resolution (CR) period. All other CDC obligations occurred during the CR and are not available to be categorized as domestic or international obligations.
7 CDC funding as of June 29, 2015; total includes estimated salaries, benefits, from the CR period and funding from all CDC sources. At this time, FY 2015 funding includes actual obligations; estimates of salaries and benefits have been excluded. The CDC funding total does not include \$3 million from USAID/OFDA, \$600,000 from DoD, or CDC Foundation donations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Total funding figure includes committed U.S. Government (USG) humanitarian and development funding to date, as well as CDC's combined contribution to the international and domestic EVD response. This number represents a subset of the total USG effort to respond to the ongoing EVD outbreak.

#### **REGIONAL**

- WHO reported 20 confirmed cases of EVD in West Africa between June 15–21, including 12 cases in Guinea and eight cases in Sierra Leone, with new cases found across four Guinean prefectures and three districts in Sierra Leone; three health care workers—two in Guinea and one in Sierra Leone—are among the infected individuals.
- Between June 24–25, Acting Special Representative of the UN Secretary General (SRSG) and Head of the UN Mission
  for Ebola Emergency Response Peter Graaff visited Guinea-Bissau to assess the country's level of EVD preparedness,
  including an evaluation of prevention and surveillance measures at a facility bordering Guinea's Boké Prefecture. SRSG
  Graaff praised cross-border cooperation activities between Guinea and Guinea-Bissau and encouraged the Government
  of Guinea-Bissau to continue implementation of UN-supported preparedness and response measures.

#### Liberia

- A new EVD-positive case has emerged in Liberia's Margibi County. The case was identified on June 29 by a post-mortem swab—a procedure regularly performed by safe burial teams, including USAID-supported burial staff. The GoL and EVD response actors have moved quickly to trace all contacts and to reinforce health care capacity in the affected area.
- The GoL Ministry of Health (MoH) is assessing capacity at the EVD treatment unit (ETU) in Montserrado County, strongly encouraging high-risk contacts to self-quarantine, and emphasizing the importance of providing psychosocial support for the affected contacts. As of late June, six ETUs remained operational across Liberia. Response actors note that, while the newly discovered case is a setback following the May 9 declaration concluding the EVD outbreak in Liberia, it reflects the effectiveness of ongoing surveillance systems and streamlined response speed.
- On June 30, DART staff traveled with USAID/OFDA partners International Medical Corps (IMC) and Save the
  Children to Margibi to assess care capacity and speak with local officials and partner organizations. The DART continues
  to track the case and liaise with the GoL, CDC, partners, and other EVD response actors in Liberia.
- USAID/OFDA partner Global Communities continues to support and monitor community surveillance efforts, including in the five Liberian counties that border Guinea and Sierra Leone—Bong, Gbarpolu, Grand Cape Mount, Lofa, and Nimba. For example, Global Communities-supported checkpoint staff are documenting travelers while designated community focal points are surveying informal crossing points to track populations entering through unofficial border points. In some counties, Global Communities staff are distributing items, such as thermometers and flashlights, to help conduct effective border surveillance. To complement surveillance efforts, the non-governmental organization (NGO) continues to facilitate weekly community meetings in the five border counties to provide an opportunity for community stakeholders to discuss EVD surveillance efforts and cross-border coordination. Global Communities is also working with the GoL MoH, media, and community stakeholders to address remaining community resistance to surveillance and safe burial procedures through public messaging and continued monitoring.
- From June 15–20, USAID/OFDA partner John Snow, Inc. (JSI) distributed infection prevention and control (IPC)
  materials to 180 health facilities in seven counties, including 94 in Montserrado, 30 in Nimba, 15 in Grand Gedeh, 18 in
  Lofa, and five each in Bong and Sinoe. During the same reporting period, JSI provided support and monitored IPC
  practices at 36 health facilities in six counties.

### Sierra Leone

- Between June 22 and 28, the Government of Sierra Leone (GoSL) Ministry of Health and Sanitation (MoHS) reported
  eight new confirmed EVD cases in Sierra Leone. Kambia District reported two EVD cases; Port Loko District had two
  cases, and four cases occurred in Western Area Urban. District Ebola Response Centers in the EVD-affected districts
  were monitoring more than 1,500 contacts in 333 households under quarantine as of June 29.
- Following an increased number of confirmed EVD cases in the last two weeks in Western Area Urban, the National
  Ebola Response Center and EVD response actors have undertaken renewed efforts to eradicate EVD in the district,
  which encompasses the capital city of Freetown. The new surge effort, including increased surveillance and contact
  tracing, complements ongoing activities under Operation Northern Push, the GoSL's 21-day surge operation launched in
  Kambia and Port Loko on June 16.

- On June 27, the Sierra Leone Indigenous Traditional Healers Union, in collaboration with local NGO FOCUS1000, held a one-day workshop in Kambia to actively engage traditional healers in efforts to end EVD transmission in Sierra Leone. At the workshop, traditional healers from the country's 14 districts pledge to not treat sick people and instead call the '117' emergency number for EVD-related assistance. Traditional healers were encouraged to support quarantine efforts, not conduct unsafe burials, and work with the GoSL, Christian and Muslim religious leaders, international partners, and their communities in a unified effort to end the EVD outbreak. The GoSL also agreed to include traditional healers in broader response efforts.
- On June 24, CDC and the International Organization for Migration (IOM) held a EVD-response training attended by 43 participants, of which approximately half plan to work in Freetown's Magazine Wharf neighborhood—the area where the latest confirmed cases emerged. IOM and the NGO Concern have also arranged eight surge response teams to assess and address IPC issues—including EVD screening, isolation, and immediate referral of suspected cases—at targeted health care facilities in the district. In addition, surveillance and social mobilization teams are currently working in Magazine Wharf on active case finding, contact list tracing, and social mobilization messaging.
- The UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) reported that the early June measles and polio immunization campaign in Sierra Leone was a success, attaining the highest coverage of any measles campaign heretofore conducted in the country. Between June 5 and 10, more than 1.2 million children aged between nine and 59 months—approximately 97.2 percent of the targeted population—received measles vaccinations, and nearly 1.5 million children aged from 0 to 59 months—representing 98.8 percent of those targeted—were immunized against polio. The campaign involved CDC, WHO, and other NGOs working in collaboration with the GoSL MoHS, with UNICEF providing technical and financial support to the MoHS. USAID/OFDA has supported UNICEF's EVD response efforts in Sierra Leone—including for measles vaccines, as well as family tracing and reunification and social mobilization activities—with more than \$16 million in FY 2014 and to date in FY 2015.

#### Guinea

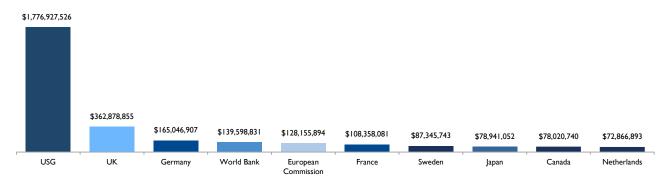
- As of June 28, the GoG reported 47 confirmed EVD cases during the month of June. Of the prefectures reporting cases since June 1, Boké and Forécariah remain the most active with 18 and 16 confirmed EVD cases, respectively; the remaining cases came from Guinea's capital city of Conakry and Dubréka Prefecture.
- WHO reports that the focus of transmission in Boké Prefecture has moved from the coastal sub-prefecture of Kamsar to the more densely populated sub-prefecture of Boké Centre; two of the four cases from Boké Centre are health workers.
- On June 24, the GoG launched a 21-day active EVD case finding and social mobilization campaign in Boké, Dubréka, and Forécariah. The campaign—part of the GoG's ongoing effort to reach zero EVD cases in Guinea—targets four areas that have reported at least one confirmed EVD case in the past 21 days, including Tamarassy village in Boké; Bamba and Tanéné villages in Dubréka; and Kolotoyah village, Forécariah.
- According to the National Ebola Coordination Cell, the operation will include a 21-day quarantine of targeted
  communities, as well as enhanced surveillance and safe burial activities; case management and free medical care; and
  measures to promote community engagement and ownership of campaign activities. To incentivize people to remain in
  quarantine, the UN World Food Program (WFP)—in coordination with the GoG—plans to provide households with
  food assistance, including fish and meat, for the duration of the campaign. The GoG also plans to deploy security forces
  to each of the targeted villages to ensure the safety of response actors and community members.
- On June 26, UNICEF hosted a USAID/OFDA partner meeting to discuss new methods to measure the effectiveness
  and improve the performance of Comités Villageois de Veille (CVVs) as they work to increase community engagement
  and mitigate reticence toward EVD response activities. To date, the GoG has authorized more than 800 CVVs, intended
  to serve as liaisons between response actors and local communities in seven prefectures, including Boffa, Boké, Coyah,
  Dubréka, Fria, Forécariah, and Kindia, as well as five communities in Conakry.
- During a recent meeting at the National Ebola Coordination Cell, the national coordinator highlighted the Equipe
  Régionale d'Alerte et de Riposte contre les Epidémies (ERARE) program funded by the Government of France (GoF).
  Through the ERARE program, the managing agency, Expertise France, seeks to enable community-based teams to
  effectively respond to suspected and confirmed EVD cases, as well as other infectious diseases, through the creation of

eight regional teams within Guinea's prefectural-level health management system. The teams—which the existing public health system will eventually incorporate—will comprise 24 staff, including doctors, nurses, logisticians, members of Pharmacie Centrale de Guinée, and others through the GoG Ministry of Health. Two teams—one in Boké and one in Labé Prefecture—are already operational.

#### **FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS**

- In recent weeks, USAID/FFP partner Save the Children conducted a market assessment in Sierra Leone's Kailahun
  District; the assessment found that commonly used food items—such as rice, cassava, plantains, meat, fish, vegetable oil
  and sugar—are readily available in local markets. While traders indicated that the price of rice, meat, and sugar has not
  changed considerably since mid-2014, EVD-affected households are unable to afford key food items due to secondary,
  economic impacts of the disease, including the loss of income-generating activities.
- With USAID/FFP support, Save the Children is providing unconditional cash transfers to more than 41,000 individuals, increasing household purchasing power and helping populations in EVD-affected areas to meet basic food needs during the lean season—which typically spans between June and September, when farmers have little or no food availability.

## 2014 & 2015 TOTAL FUNDING FOR THE EBOLA RESPONSE\* PER DONOR



<sup>\*</sup> Funding figures are as of June 30, 2015. All international figures are according to the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) Financial Tracking Service and based on international commitments during 2014 and to date in 2015, while USG figures are according to the USG and reflect USG commitments from FY 2014 and FY 2015, which began on October 1, 2013, and October 1, 2014, respectively.

#### CONTEXT

- EVD is a severe illness transmitted through direct contact with the blood, bodily fluids, and tissues of infected animals or people. There is currently no cure or preventive vaccine for EVD.
- On August 4, U.S. Ambassador Deborah R. Malac declared a disaster due to the effects of the EVD outbreak in Liberia. U.S. Chargé d'Affaires Kathleen FitzGibbon declared a disaster in Sierra Leone on August 13. On August 15, U.S. Chargé d'Affaires Ervin Massinga declared a disaster in Guinea. U.S. Chargé d'Affaires, a.i, Andrew Young declared a disaster in Mali on November 17.
- The USG deployed a field-based DART on August 5 and established a corresponding Response Management Team
  (RMT) based in Washington, D.C. The DART—including disaster response and medical experts from USAID and
  CDC—is working to identify key needs stemming from the EVD outbreak, amplify humanitarian response efforts,
  and coordinate all USG efforts to support the EVD response.

## USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO THE EVD OUTBREAK RESPONSE PROVIDED IN FY 2014 & 2015

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	AMOUNT
	USAID/OFDA <sup>2</sup>		
	REGIONAL		
African Union (AU)	Health	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone	\$10,000,000
CDC	Health	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone	\$3,000,000
UNICEF	Health, Protection	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone	\$1,100,000
UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone	\$250,000
ОСНА	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone	\$2,042,536
USAID/OFDA-Airlifted Relief Commodities	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone	\$19,026,877
Overseas Development Institute	Humanitarian Studies, Analysis, or Applications	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone	\$30,011
Tufts University	Humanitarian Studies, Analysis, or Applications	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone	\$558,504
	Program Support		\$6,961,080
	LIBERIA		
Action Contre la Faim (ACF)	Health, Protection, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)	Liberia	\$1,013,803
American Refugee Committee (ARC)	Health	Liberia	\$7,633,633
BRAC	Protection	Liberia	\$1,177,902
CARE	Health	Liberia	\$1,652,992
ChildFund	Health, Protection	Liberia	\$3,502,025
Concern	Health, Protection	Liberia	\$6,806,343
Catholic Relief Services (CRS)	Health	Liberia	\$960,447
Global Communities	Health	Liberia	\$32,076,365
GOAL	Health	Liberia	\$4,702,667
Heart to Heart International (HHI)	Health, Protection	Liberia	\$7,001,161
International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)	Health	Liberia	\$1,000,000
IMC	Health, Protection	Liberia	\$34,619,248
IOM	Health, Protection, WASH	Liberia	\$39,021,886
International Rescue Committee (IRC)	Health, Protection	Liberia	\$18,443,770
Jhpiego	Health	Liberia	\$2,814,287
Jsı	Health	Liberia	\$7,233,653
Medical Teams International (MTI)	Health	Liberia	\$4,702,901
MENTOR Initiative	Health	Liberia	\$3,926,216
Mercy Corps	Health, Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	Liberia	\$12,000,000

Partners in Health (PiH)	Health, Protection	Liberia	\$24,393,170
Plan USA	Health	Liberia	\$1,508,821
Project Concern International (PCI)	Health, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities, Protection	Liberia	\$11,354,485
Samaritan's Purse	Health, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Liberia	\$7,782,027
Save the Children/U.S. (SC/US)	Health, Protection, WASH	Liberia	\$8,276,263
USAID/OFDA-Supported Non-Medical ETU Management Contracts	Health	Liberia	\$86,249,157
U.S. Public Health Service	Health	Liberia	\$4,988,272
UNICEF	Health, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities, Protection, WASH	Liberia	\$54,260,411
Welthungerhilfe (WHH)	Health, WASH	Liberia	\$1,955,645
WFP	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Liberia	\$57,277,108
WHO	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities, Health, Protection	Liberia	\$35,000,000
	SIERRA LEONE		
CRS	Health	Sierra Leone	\$548,619
Christian Aid	Health, Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities, Protection	Sierra Leone	\$945,690
GOAL	Health, WASH	Sierra Leone	\$2,005,780
IFRC	Health	Sierra Leone	\$13,000,000
IMC	Health, Protection, WASH	Sierra Leone	\$12,936,976
IOM	Health	Sierra Leone	\$5,679,410
IRC	Health	Sierra Leone	\$9,688,573
Medair	Health	Sierra Leone	\$5,349,216
Oxfam/Great Britain (Oxfam/GB)	Health	Sierra Leone	\$690,646
PiH	Health, Protection	Sierra Leone	\$7,881,461
UNICEF	Health, Protection, WASH	Sierra Leone	\$16,080,214
WFP	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Sierra Leone	\$20,000,000
WHO	Health	Sierra Leone	\$12,000,000
World Vision	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Sierra Leone	\$2,472,525
	GUINEA		
CRS	Health	Guinea	\$4,041,621
ChildFund	Health, Protection	Guinea	\$1,500,000
French Red Cross (FRC)	Health	Guinea	\$4,505,445
HC3	Health	Guinea	\$1,000,000

Helen Keller International (HKI)	Health	Guinea	\$1,719,455
Internews	Risk Management Policy and Practice	Guinea	\$1,999,846
IOM	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Guinea	\$12,767,220
IFRC	Health	Guinea	\$2,999,552
IMC	Health	Guinea	\$14,854,760
Jhpiego	Health	Guinea	\$2,400,000
Plan International	Health, WASH	Guinea	\$2,111,738
Relief International (RI)	Health, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Guinea	\$4,000,000
SC/US	Health	Guinea	\$1,499,203
Terres Des Hommes	Health, Protection, WASH	Guinea	\$875,000
UNICEF	Protection, WASH	Guinea	\$10,555,447
WFP	Health, WASH	Guinea	\$8,500,000
WHO	Health	Guinea	\$19,626,849
	MALI		
CRS	Health	Mali	\$954,122
IMC	Health	Mali	\$2,000,000
IOM	Health	Mali	\$2,033,983
UNICEF	Health	Mali	\$400,000
World Vision	Health	Mali	\$550,646
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO	EVD RESPONSE EFFORTS		\$736,477,663
	USAID/FFP		
ACDI/VOCA	Cash Transfers, Agricultural Input Vouchers	Liberia	\$9,000,000
ACDI/VOCA	Cash Transfers, Agricultural Input Vouchers	Sierra Leone	\$9,000,000
CRS	Food Vouchers	Guinea	\$1,325,443
FEWS NET	Food Security, Market, and Livelihood Monitoring, Analysis and Reporting	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone	\$2,495,348
Mercy Corps	Cash Transfers, Agricultural Input Vouchers	Liberia	\$8,970,000
PCI	Cash Transfers, Agricultural Input Vouchers, Cash-for-Work	Liberia	\$8,030,564
Save the Children (SC)	Cash Transfers	Sierra Leone	\$4,384,010
WFP	In-Kind Food Assistance to EVD- Affected Ivorian Refugees: Title II and Local and Regional Procurement	Liberia	\$8,921,600
WFP	Assistance for EVD-Affected Ivorian Returnees from Liberia: Cash Transfers, Local and Regional Procurement	Cote d'Ivoire	\$3,000,000
WFP	WFP School Feeding Operation	Guinea	\$7,182,907

WFP	WFP Regional Emergency Operation	Guinea	\$8,772,002
WFP	WFP Regional Emergency Operation	Liberia	\$12,633,568
WFP	WFP Regional Emergency Operation	Sierra Leone	\$13,161,658
TOTAL USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE TO EVD RES	PONSE EFFORTS		\$104,247,423
	USAID/GH		
Johns Hopkins Center for Communication Programs (JHCCP)	Health	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone; neighboring at-risk countries	\$7,288,500
WHO	Health	Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone; neighboring at-risk countries	\$12,787,500
TOTAL USAID/GH ASSISTANCE TO EVD RES	PONSE EFFORTS		\$20,076,000
	USAID/Liberia		
GoL MoH	Health	Liberia	\$6,600,000
UNICEF	Education	Liberia	\$9,500,000
TOTAL USAID/Liberia ASSISTANCE TO EVD F	RESPONSE EFFORTS		\$16,100,000
	USAID/Guinea		
Jhpiego	Health	Guinea	\$3,482,000
TOTAL USAID/Guinea ASSISTANCE TO EVD F	RESPONSE EFFORTS		\$3,482,000
	DoD		
DoD		Liberia	\$416,935,400
TOTAL DoD ASSISTANCE TO EVD RESPONSI	EFFORTS		\$416,935,400
	CDC		
CDC	Health	West Africa and USA	\$479,609,040
TOTAL CDC ASSISTANCE TO EVD RESPONS	E EFFORTS		\$479,609,040
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE TO EVD RESPONS	E EFFORTS IN FY 2014 & 2015		\$1,776,927,526

### **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. A list of humanitarian organizations that are accepting cash donations for disaster responses around the world can be found at www.interaction.org.
- 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, and warehouse space); 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:
  - The Center for International Disaster Information: www.cidi.org or +1.202.821.1999.
  - Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at www.reliefweb.int.