South Sudan
Wau Humanitarian Situation Update #1 – 27 June 2016

Humanitarian Overview
On Friday, 24 June the dismissal of the incumbent Governor of Wau by the President led to instability in the town, with fighting breaking out between the Sudan People’s Liberation Army (SPLA) and youth associated with the opposition. There have been reports of civilian casualties and loss of life. There were reports of heavy shelling outward from Wau overnight, but no incoming fire. As of 27 June, the situation in Wau is reportedly calm, with some alleged sporadic shooting in surrounding areas.

Although registration of internally displaced persons (IDPs) has yet to commence, there are an estimated 36,000 IDPs displaced within Wau town, with around 12,000 people outside the UNMISS compound in need of assistance. A further 35,000 are thought to have fled to the Greater Baggari Area to the south and southwest of the town. The displacement of civilians in and around Wau town has immediate humanitarian consequences which need to be rapidly addressed. The water situation is particularly critical; currently, it is estimated that the displaced population is accessing only 2 litres/per person/per day.

Highlights
- UNICEF has initiated an immediate emergency response to the crisis in Wau, focusing on nutrition, health, education and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH). Additional staff is also being deployed to Wau in order to scale up the response.
- Access to water is critical, with only 2 litres/per person/per day currently available to the displaced population. Construction of toilets is ongoing to reduce open defecation, with ten toilets almost constructed, and 15 additional blocks planned in the coming days.
- A registration desk has been established to record missing and unaccompanied children. So far, 61 separated children have been registered. UNICEF has established children’s groups for psychosocial support.
- One suspected measles case has been reported and there is a need for an urgent measles campaign.
- Information, education, and communication (IEC) materials focused on hygiene practices, disease outbreaks, nutrition and immunization are ready for dissemination.

*Figures from OCHA
Note: these are estimates, as registration of IDPs is yet to commence.

Funding Needs for Wau Response:
US$3 million

Funding Available
US$ 951,292

US$ 2,104,708

Funding Gap
Humanitarian Leadership and Coordination
UNICEF continues to lead the WASH Cluster and facilitates the Protection Cluster, with additional support being provided to the Health and Education response. On 26 June, OCHA deployed an Area Humanitarian Coordinator to Wau and UNICEF has also deployed a Senior Emergency Coordinator to support the scale up of the response. UNHCR is expected to arrive on 28 June to take the lead on the Protection Cluster response. A nutrition coordination meeting was held in Wau at OCHA on 26 June, and UNICEF nutrition staff is being deployed to coordinate with Nutrition Cluster partners. Further deployments to support overall and sector coordination mechanisms are expected over the next few days.

Humanitarian Strategy
A draft response plan will become operational by 28 June. Registration of IDPs is starting on 28 June as well, with plans to distribute food and non-food items (NFIs) together.

Summary Analysis of Programme Response
**HEALTH:** UNICEF partner International Medical Corps is providing services within the MSF clinic. IOM is also exploring the use of mobile clinics outside UNMISS for additional services, and has identified two areas with high concentrations of IDPs within Wau town. A general integrated response package is being provided. A programme cooperation agreement (PCA) with IMC is being amended to facilitate the provision of primary health care kits; discussions with IMC are also underway to resume immunisation activities. An Emergency Health Specialist is expected to be deployed to Wau on 29 June.

One suspected measles case has been reported. There are sufficient measles vaccines for children under 15 years; supplies are ready to be raised from Rumbek. There is a need for an urgent measles campaign, and the health cluster will coordinate this.

**NUTRITION:** Displaced children who were initially enrolled in Outpatient Therapeutic Programme (OTP) services are likely to be enrolled as new severe acute malnutrition (SAM) cases. This will in turn increase the demand and consumption of Ready-to-Use Therapeutic Food (RUTF). UNICEF will ensure that there is adequate supply of RUTF in the warehouse in Wau and distribution is set to commence. An estimated 500 cartons of high-energy biscuits (BP5) and 132 RUTF are available in the Wau warehouse, which should meet immediate nutrition needs. 3,000 cartons of RUTF, including 1,000 cartons of BP5, are being loaded in Rumbek for transportation to Wau.

PSI and Johanniter (the implementing partners on ground) are currently establishing OTPs and targeted supplementary feeding programmes (TSFPs), respectively at the UNMISS base in Wau. These services will start to operate on 28 June and all children 6-59 months identified SAM and moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) will be admitted/treated in the programme. WFP is currently responsible for general distribution of nutrition supplies. So far, WFP has been able to distribute only two days of rations for the 12,000 displaced at in the UNMISS base. In addition, WFP has also distributed general food for 10,000 IDPs located at a church in Wau town. UNICEF will further complement the distribution of BP5 on 28 June for 4,000 children 6-59 months for five days rations in Wau town (from the available BP5 in stock in Wau UNICEF warehouse).

**WASH:** The WASH Cluster Coordinator is closely working with the country offices of partners present in Wau to make sure that the needs on the ground are adequately met. The WASH Co-cluster Coordinator is currently on the ground in Wau to provide support in coordination efforts.

Currently, UNMISS is supporting water supply for the people in their compound. UNICEF is supporting the provision of water through water tanker deliveries to the current protection of civilian’s site. Two water bladders have also been installed at UNMISS base. An assessment of IDPs needs outside UNMISS compound was undertaken on 27 June, and results are expected to be shared shortly.

WASH supplies available in Wau (UNICEF and IOM) are adequate for immediate response. A new release order for additional supplies including collapsible jerrycans, buckets, household purification products, latrine
slabs, and hygiene kits has been completed from UNICEF’s warehouse in Rumbek and will be airlifted to Wau by the logistics cluster on 28 June. Ten toilets are currently being finalised, and 15 additional blocks are planned in the coming days. The distribution of NFIs including buckets and soap is ongoing.

**EDUCATION:** Currently, all schools in Wau are closed. UNICEF is working to lead the education in emergencies response. There is an adequate amount of educational materials, such as school-in-a-box kits, teachers’ kits and exercise books. The team is coordinating with colleagues from logistics to secure the delivery of additional items such as dignity kits, early childhood development (ECD) kits, recreation kits, chalkboards, and tents. UNICEF’s education response in Wau will target 24,000 beneficiaries.

**CHILD PROTECTION:** A registration desk has been established to record missing and unaccompanied children. So far, 61 separated children have been registered. UNICEF has established children’s groups for psychosocial support. A UNICEF partner is on the ground with access to recreational kits to be used in psychosocial activities. There is an increased gender-based violence (GBV) caseload and implementing partners are being engaged to scale up activities. UNICEF is also working to establish a GBV corner for possible reporting of GBV cases and for prevention activities. Release orders have been raised for additional supplies and a Child Protection Specialist is travelling to Wau this week to provide additional support.

**COMMUNICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT:** A cross-sectoral C4D response has been integrated in the Wau response plan. Information, education, and communication (IEC) materials focused on hygiene practices, disease outbreaks, nutrition and immunization have been organized for immediate supply.

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**FUNDING:** The funding requirement for the response Wau is US$ 3 million, with a funding gap of over US$ 2 million, as shown below.

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<td><strong>3,056,000</strong></td>
<td><strong>951,292</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,104,708</strong></td>
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