Situation Update: Unaccompanied Children (UAC) in Greece
2 June 2017

Key Facts

- **2,200** Estimated number of UAC currently in Greece based on analysis from referrals to EKKA (as of 2 June 2017)
- **1,282** Total number of places available in UAC shelters (filled, pending assigned cases as of 2 June, including 104 vacant places in the process to be filled)
- **1,118** Total number of UAC on waiting list for shelter (as of 2 June) including:
  - **197** in Reception and Identification Centers
  - **50** in protective custody
- **6,967** Total number of UAC referrals to EKKA from 1 Jan 2016 to 2 June 2017.
  - Out of the total:
    - **6,444** boys (93%)
    - **523** girls (8%)
    - **437** <14 years old (6%)
Key Facts

as of 2 June 2017

UAC Shelters (transit and long-term)
- Current: 52 UAC shelters with total 1,282 places. (increased from 423 places in March 2016).
- Planned: 5 new UAC shelters with total 150 new places

Safe Zones* (short-term)
- Current: 5 Safe Zones for UAC with total 144 places.
- Planned: 2 new Safe Zones with total 60 new places

*Safe Zones are designated supervised spaces within accommodation sites which provide UAC with 24/7 emergency protection and care. They should be used as short term (maximum 3 months) measures to care for UAC in light of the insufficient number of available shelter places. Safe Zone priority is given to UAC in detention as well as other vulnerable children, in line with their best interests.

Percentage of UAC referrals by region (waiting list)

- 0.1 - 5%
- 5.1 - 10%
- 60%

Safe zone(s) by region
Shelter(s) by location
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Number of UAC Referrals to EKKA by month*

* Increase in July due to pre-registration exercise and referrals from the Asylum service

Total UAC referrals to EKKA vs. Total UAC placed in shelters during the period 1 January to 31 May 2017 - disaggregated by Sex/Age
1 January 2017 – 31 May 2017

The number of girls and boys < 14 includes separated children

UAC referrals to EKKA by nationality
1 January 2017 – 31 May 2017

Monthly UAC referrals to EKKA by nationality
1 November 2016 – 31 May 2017

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