Update on UNICEF Humanitarian Action

First Regular Pre-session and Informal Briefing
19 January 2016
Emergencies requiring organizational wide response:
- Yemen
- Syria + Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq and Turkey
- Iraq
- Central African Republic
- South Sudan
- Ebola-affected countries

Emergencies requiring accelerated response:
- Nepal
- Pacific Islands
- Nigeria + Cameroon, Chad and Niger

Europe Refugee and Migrant Crisis
2015 Preliminary Results (October 2015)

**Nutrition**
- 69%
- 2 million children treated for severe acute malnutrition

**Health**
- 62%
- 11.3 million children vaccinated against measles

**WASH**
- 94%
- 22.6 million people provided with access to safe water for drinking, bathing and cooking

**Child Protection**
- 74%
- 2 million children received psychosocial support

**Education**
- 45%
- 4 million children accessed formal or non-formal basic education
UNICEF’s Agenda for Humanitarian Action in 2015

- UNICEF’s Corporate Emergency Activation Procedure - phased approach for protracted crisis
- Strengthening response capacity
- Institutionalizing fundamental core skills for humanitarian action
Lessons Learned, Challenges and Adaptations

- Increased protection violations
- Challenges to access and security
- Multiple, simultaneous and protracted large-scale emergencies
- Increased demand for humanitarian funding
- Responding where UNICEF had no programme presence (e.g. Europe)
Joint DFID-UNICEF-WFP study shows:

- On average, for every US$1 spent on preparedness, over US$2 are saved over time.
- Of the US$5.6 million invested in preparedness in the three study countries, US$12 million was saved – more than double the investment.
- All preparedness investments saved costs and/or time toward an emergency.
Emergency Programme Fund (EPF) in 2015

- EPF ceiling approved to up to $75 million
- $28.8 million disbursed in 2015
- 15 Country Offices received EPF allocations
Strengthening Governance of the EPF

- Upfront and faster reimbursement of EPF grants
- Strengthening EPF monitoring
PLANNED RESULTS IN 2016
Humanitarian Action for Children 2016

The information below summarizes the global requirements for UNICEF humanitarian programmes, the total number of people and children to be reached, and the planned results in Humanitarian Action for Children 2016.

GRAND TOTAL: TO ASSIST: INCLUDING: IN:

US$2.8 billion
76 million people
43 million children
63 countries
Planned Humanitarian Results in 2016

**Nutrition**
- 2.9 million children to be treated for severe acute malnutrition

**Health**
- 11.7 million children to be immunized against measles

**WASH**
- 17.3 million people to have access to safe water for drinking, cooking and personal hygiene

**Education**
- 8.2 million children to have access to formal and non-formal education

**Child Protection**
- 3 million children to have access to psychosocial support

**HIV and AIDS**
- 243,500 people to have access to information, testing and treatment

**Cash Assistance**
- 2.1 million people to be reached with cash assistance

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UNICEF-WHS Engagement and Advocacy Priorities

- Integrate Humanitarian-Development
- Centrality of Protection and Education
- Disaster Preparedness and Risk Reduction
- Youth Engagement
Thank You