

# Ukraine and refugee-hosting countries

## External Situation Report

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### Immediate Priorities

- Ensure the security of 15 WFP staff inside Kyiv; finalize temporary relocation as security situation continues to worsen.
- Ensure food and cash assistance in Ukraine and plan supply line to Kyiv and other areas.
- First distributions of food and vouchers expected to start tomorrow.
- Staff deployments ongoing to Poland, Moldova, Romania, Hungary, and Slovakia.
- Set-up of logistics and emergency telecommunications support for humanitarian community.

## 1. Highlights

- WFP Corporate Scale-Up for Ukraine crisis activated from 25 February 2022 to 24 May 2022 (inclusive); Corinne Fleischer was designated Corporate Response Director (CRD) for Ukraine and neighboring countries and Jakob Kern was designated as Emergency Coordinator (EC) for Ukraine.
- WFP Limited Emergency Operation (LEO) for Ukraine approved to reach 200,000 beneficiaries with a budget of USD 50 million.
- Budget Revision to the existing LEO under finalization to reach over 3 million beneficiaries through in-kind and cash distributions with an estimated budget of USD 546 million for four months.
- OCHA launched a Flash Appeal for Ukraine for USD 1.1 billion and UNHCR launched a Regional Refugee Response Plan (RRRP) Appeal for USD 550.6 million; WFP's response plans are included in both appeals.

## 2. Situation Update, including security

- On the 1<sup>st</sup> of March reports indicated that air raid sirens continued overnight in Kyiv and other cities, including Kharkiv, Vinnytsia, Uman and Cherkasy.
- A UN convoy left Ramada Hotel in Kyiv on 1 March 2022 enroute to Moldova with 67 international staff and their dependents (one WFP staff in convoy).
- Relocation for remaining 15 WFP staff is being organized.
- Protective gear and five armored vehicles (AVs) are being air-lifted to reach Poland and Moldova.

## 3. Operations Update

- Jakob Kern, WFP Ukraine Emergency Coordinator, arrived in Poland on 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2022; there are currently eleven WFP staff in Poland and six enroute.
- WFP will set up offices in Moldova, Romania, Slovakia, and Hungary for border crossing support on the Ukrainian side, as well as potential refugee response if and when required.
- Inside Ukraine, WFP will seek to set up a presence in Lviv and potential three additional teams will deploy once further locations are determined/accessible.
- WFP plans to deliver ready to eat food locally purchased in Poland to the queues of displaced

populations at the Ukrainian border with Poland (last reported queue of 60km) with expected start tomorrow (2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022) with partner Samaritan Purse. Discussions with Border Crossing authorities are ongoing.

- Commodity vouchers are planned to be distributed at Ukrainian side of Romania border in the next days.
- More than 10,000 family kits of dry rations for one month have been diverted from Turkey and are expected to arrive at the Romania border and be transshipped to trucks to move into Kiyv pending clearances.
- Establishment of a corridor team office in Krakow, Poland for interagency level coordination and operation oversight is ongoing.
- Establishment of sub-office in Rzeszow, Poland, for border access and warehousing management ongoing.

## 4. Resourcing and Pipeline

- WFP requires estimated USD 546 million to reach 3.1 million people inside Ukraine and additional people in neighboring countries (if required), with mixed CBT and in-kind modalities as well as Immediate Response Rations (IRRs)
- Given the situation is in constant flux, WFP's planning figures will be adjusted based on new information.
- WFP has advanced USD 15.3 million to the operation.