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April 15, 1999

To: Melanne Verveer
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From: Nicholas Miscione 
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Re: InterAction's Kosovo Updates

Per direction of PRM DAS Marguerite Houze, please find a copy of the information you requested. These attached 9 pages are actually from the InterAction website. *InterAction member agency assistance to refugees from Kosovo – updated April 15, 1999.*

To find:

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Go to the InterAction website address: www.interaction.org. On the InterAction home page click on *KOSOVO* (in left hand column). That will bring you to the page *Crisis in Kosovo*. Then find the sentence (about 6 lines down): *For more detailed information on what the following agencies are providing, please click here.* You will have reached the daily update page desired.

Or, to go directly just use: www.interaction.org/kosovo/detail.html.

We hope this reference is helpful. For further information regarding this update please contact InterAction (202-667-8227): Jim Bishop, Director of Humanitarian Response or Renee Bafalis, Public Affairs Office.

Melanne Verveer

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INTERACTION MEMBER AGENCY ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES FROM KOSOVO

Updated April 15, 1999

The following are brief descriptions of activities being undertaken by InterAction members to assist refugees from Kosovo. The material is compiled from information provided by these agencies and taken from their web sites. Additional details of their activities are available on some web sites. Agencies shown as collecting funds generally will be channeling those funds to local affiliates in the region which are engaged in relief work. Agency addresses and websites are on the previous page, click [here](#) to go back.

ACTION AGAINST HUNGER/USA

Presently has a team of 30 expatriate relief workers focusing on meeting the basic needs of refugees and displaced populations in Albania, Macedonia and Montenegro. Our overall objectives in the region include: provision of drinking water and sanitation facilities in refugee camps to prevent outbreak of epidemics; provision of appropriate food with special emphasis on breast-feeding mothers and children under five years old; setting up emergency feeding centers; provision of ready-to-eat food to newly-arrived refugees; and improving water and sanitation facilities in host communities.

ADVENTIST RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

ADRA is assisting refugees in both Albania and Macedonia. In Macedonia, it is providing food and personal hygiene items to refugees in resettlement areas. Families are given 44 pounds (20 kilograms) of food, including wheat, rice, noodles, milk, beans, fresh fruit and more, and hygiene items such as soap, toothbrushes, towels, etc. ADRA's Albania office is assisting refugees near the Kosovo border and is working with refugees who have been transported to southern Albanian districts. ADRA has offices and warehouses in Albania and has been operating a health education program in that country.

AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE

Will be providing fund to partner organizations engaged in relief activities in the region.

AMERICAN JEWISH JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE

Conducting needs assessments in the region.

AMERICAN JEWISH WORLD SERVICE

Raising funds to provide emergency shelter, water and sanitation facilities for Kosovo refugees. AJWS is working to bring the support of the Jewish Community to the refugees in Albania, Macedonia and Montenegro.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

To help meet the refugees' immediate needs for food, clothing, shelter, and medical attention, the American Red Cross is cooperating with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), as well as the National Red Cross Societies in Yugoslavia, Macedonia, Albania, and Bosnia-Herzegovina, to position relief supplies and personnel to meet a growing range of humanitarian needs.

AMERICAN REFUGEE COMMITTEE

Working with UNHCR, the agency will be providing staff and other assistance to strengthen the existing Macedonian health care system.

AMURT

Providing medical care, food and personal items to Kosovar refugees at the National Sports Stadium in Tirana, Albania. AMURT is also supporting Albanian families in the Tirana area who are hosting Kosovar refugees. This assistance takes the form of bedding, clothes, toiletries, food and medical care.

BAPTIST WORLD AID

Collecting funds to assist the refugees from Kosovo, and is channeling this through Baptist churches and agencies in the Balkans region. Baptist communities in Albania and Macedonia are already caring for refugees, and funds have been provided to assist them. In Macedonia the local Baptists are caring for refugees in their homes, and BWAid has provided \$10,000 to assist in the purchase of food and medicines. The Baptist Centre in Tirana, Albania is working with the Salvation Army in setting up a refugee camp for 1,000 refugees, but expects this to grow to 3,000. BWAid working is also working with Hungarian Baptist Aid on the delivery of essential foodstuffs.

BROTHER'S BROTHERS FOUNDATION

On April 14th, 1999 BBF will be sending its first 40 foot container of relief supplies from Camp Hill, PA. The donation has been provided by The Venator Group Corporation and consists of new women's, men's and children's clothing. BBF expects to send a second trailer load of donated medical supplies for the Kosovar refugees in Albania, within the week, from our warehouse in Pittsburgh.

CARE USA

CARE's relief efforts for Kosovar refugees have been primarily focused in Albania and Macedonia. In Albania, CARE will assume management duties for the Durres camp, which will eventually house 15,000 refugees. CARE has also distributed food and blankets at the Kukës border area. In addition, CARE is developing additional programs in the sectors of water and sanitation, shelter provision, medical assistance for vulnerable populations, and logistics/transportation. In Macedonia, CARE's initial efforts focused on the distribution of food and blankets at the Blace border and refugee centers. CARE will assume management of the Stenkovec 2 transit camp, which currently houses 12,000 refugees, on April 16. At the camp, a committee of community leaders had been established to help with the distribution of food, diapers and other essentials. CARE is also partnering with UNICEF, ICRC and Save the Children to help reunite unaccompanied children with their parents, as well as planning a mobile gynecological clinic program.

CATHOLIC MEDICAL MISSION BOARD (CMMB)

The Catholic Medical Mission Board (CMMB) is working with Caritas Internationalis, the Catholic international relief agency, to address identified medical needs among refugees from Kosovo. Caritas, in turn, is coordinating relief efforts with its local agencies in Albania, Croatia, and Macedonia. Each local agency is detailing precisely what is needed to help refugees and the homeless. CMMB expects to airlift medicines very soon. Additionally, CMMB has provided funds to Caritas and other partner organizations engaged in relief activities in the region. Funds have been sent to Caritas Albania and Catholic Relief Services in Macedonia. These funds support local water purification programs, general hygiene needs, trauma counseling, and other health-related activities.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is currently assisting more than 300,000 refugees suffering as a result of the conflict in Kosovo. Catholic Relief Services is the principle implementing partner for UNHCR in distributing basic needs to refugee populations in Albania, Macedonia, Bosnia, and the Yugoslav Republics of Serbia and Montenegro. In an innovative initiative, the agency is partnering with Caritas Croatia to provide four airlifts of food, camp supplies, hygiene kits, medicine, and water to Albania, where these items will be distributed to Kosovar refugees. The airlifts began on April 8, 1999, and continued on a daily basis over this weekend, the Eastern Orthodox Easter. Distributing a total of well over 64 metric tons of humanitarian assistance, the Church to Church airlift provides immediate assistance for the Kosovo refugees, while communicating the solidarity between the churches in Croatia and Albania.

CHILDREACH/PLAN INTERNATIONAL

Helping the communities and the local government to cope with the situation in PLAN program areas of Tirana, Elbasan, Fier, and Lushnje. Independently and in partnership with other NGOs and the local government, PLAN programs include converting available structures to house over 3,000 refugees, and preparing native Albanians to house Kosovar refugees in their homes. Additionally, clothing, food, and medicines are being collected and distributed in country. In Tirana, PLAN is helping the community and local government to set up a camp including a common kitchen that can host 200 people as of April 7. In Elbasan, PLAN is helping the commune of Tregan to accommodate 200 people in the existing building of an ex-thermal bath hotel. In the district of Fier, PLAN is rehabilitating a structure to host 350 people. In the Lushnje district, PLAN is cooperating with the government and other agencies to set up shelter for 2,500 people.

CHRISTIAN CHILDREN'S FUND

Christian Children's Fund will implement its award winning child trauma program to assist Albanian refugees traumatized by the war in Kosovo at UNICEF's request. Christian Children's Fund has commissioned a team of leading child development experts and child psychologists experienced in the implementation of child trauma initiatives, to address the immediate psychological and social needs of this highly shocked and displaced group of people in Albania.

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

Church World Service, the relief and development agency of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., has sent \$1.16 million in assistance for the needs of Kosovar Albanians and other displaced persons in the region. The aid has been sent to colleague agencies working in Albania and other regions affected by the Kosovo crisis. The most recent assistance was \$265,000 to help Kosovar refugees and internally displaced persons in Bosnia, where CWS staff is operational. Previous aid has included \$800,000 for tents, blankets and mattresses to Diaconia Agape and \$100,000 to International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC). On April 2, airlifts of relief goods consigned to Diaconia Agape began arriving in Tirana.

DIRECT RELIEF INTERNATIONAL

Direct Relief International is providing medical goods to hospitals and clinics in Albania, Macedonia and Yugoslavia, including emergency centers specifically established to provide services to the refugee population. Donations have included antibiotics, local anesthetics, cardiovascular agents, analgesics and first aid supplies. In addition, the organization is preparing a shipment of autoclaves and essential hospital supplies and pharmaceuticals to support the Albanian medical infrastructure that is struggling to provide basic services. Direct Relief is continuing to work with partner agencies and individuals who are providing current information regarding specific needs to meet changing

circumstances.

DOCTORS OF THE WORLD

A medical team is being sent to Macedonia to provide emergency services to refugees until the agency can return to Kosovo.

DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS/MSF

Currently assisting Kosovar refugees in Albania, Macedonia, and Montenegro. In all locations, teams are treating patients with diarrhea and respiratory infections, and conducting epidemiological surveillance. In Albania, Doctors Without Borders is providing medical care and supplies, and conducting health assessments in Krume; building latrines, supplying water, and providing mental health care in Kukes; and working in a number of refugee camps in the south around Vier. The organization will participate in a major measles and polio vaccination drive throughout the refugee encampments. In Macedonia, the organization is working in the Brazda and Radusa camps, again providing basic medical care and supplies. In Montenegro, Doctors Without Borders is distributing medical supplies and supporting local health structures.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH PRESIDING BISHOPS FUND FOR WORLD RELIEF

Will be providing funds to local partners for relief activities in the region.

FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY INTERNATIONAL

Food for the Hungry has shipped over \$1million worth of food, clothing, medicines and medical supplies to Albania and Macedonia. Through their network of local groups, in affected countries, they are also supplying money for immediate onsite purchase of food and shelter.

HEART TO HEART INTERNATIONAL

Heart to Heart International will be sending a shipment of medical aid, including antibiotics, children's medications, and first aid supplies within the next 36 to 48 hours. It will collaborate with another American NGO, ADRA, to distribute supplies in Albania.

INTERNATIONAL AID

Assisting in the provision of the basic needs of 10,000 Kosovar refugees in Peshkopi, Albania and providing personal care kits to at least 1,500 refugees in Tirana. The principal partner in Peshkopi is the local prefecture and Pioneers. The partner in Tirana is Bethany Christian Services, which has a major psycho-social support initiative for mothers with children. In Macedonia, International Aid has made a small grant to Pioneers to start a refugee medical screening program. IA will also ship several thousand personal care and school kits.

INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC MIGRATION COMMISSION (ICMC)

ICMC is currently helping vulnerable refugee groups in Macedonia, assisting elderly persons, children, and the mentally handicapped who have been separated from their families during their flight from Kosovo. This program is providing immediate shelter and protection to these groups, ensuring their access to camp services and seeking to facilitate family reunification. A second ICMC team is seeking to establish similar services for vulnerable refugees in Albania. ICMC is also operating a free telephone access program allowing refugees in camp to contact loved ones in the outside world. ICMC will shortly open a community information center which will provide a lost and found and a community bulletin board for camp residents, in addition to social services.

INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL CORPS

International Medical Corps (IMC) has staff in Tirana, Kukes, Shkoder and Durres. IMC is providing medical services, including mobile clinics in Kukes and health and sanitation support to refugee collective centers in Tirana. IMC is preparing to expand their mobile clinics programs – pending the purchase of vehicles. IMC is utilizing local Albanian and Kosovo doctors (supervised by expats) in its emergency response.

INTERNATIONAL ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES

Since 1992 International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC) has provided emergency and development assistance throughout the former Yugoslavia, including Kosovo, Serbia, and Montenegro. Relief operations continue in each of these areas with the provision of shelter, food and personal care articles to displaced persons as well as vulnerable groups (children, elderly and hospitals). IOCC is also working with partners in Albania to provide food, personal care supplies, and blankets. Through the IOCC office in Athens, Greece additional staff have been added and a regional response is being coordinated.

INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE

In Albania, using local workers and contractors, the IRC is rehabilitating public buildings for use as shelters at sites in throughout the country. Operations that had been based in the IRC's office in Pristina, Kosovo and in satellite offices in Kosovo have now been consolidated in an office in Skopje, Macedonia. There the staff is working with UN and with U.S. State Department aid officers to prepare to serve the influx of refugees into Macedonia. As of March 31, most of the 20,000 Kosovars entering Macedonia have been taken in by local Albanian families. As their numbers grow and the space in private homes is exhausted, the IRC will help establish camps to shelter the refugees. Meanwhile, as thousands of Albanian refugees queue up at the border to enter Macedonia, IRC staff members have been providing blankets and first aid during their wait for admission. The IRC office that had been based in Belgrade has been relocated to the existing IRC office in Zagreb, Croatia.

ISLAMIC AFRICAN RELIEF AGENCY

IARA-USA has concentrated on providing refugee services for Kosovars fleeing to Albania. It collaborates with a partner organization in these efforts. Recently, IARA-USA arranged for the local purchase of approximately \$13,000 (US) in sheep and cows in Albania for the Muslim holiday, Eid al-Adha. The meat was distributed to the refugees and other needy people. IARA-USA conducts two child sponsorship projects in Albania, and Bosnia-Herzegovina. It maintains a Vocation Training Center and a Rehabilitation Center for victims of rape in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICE

In Albania, JRS is managing the Arre e Madhe camp in the northern town of Shkoder, on behalf of Caritas Albania. This camp acts as a reception centre for the most vulnerable among the refugees, identifying and arranging for the further help that they need. In Montenegro, JRS is working on behalf of Caritas in Bar parish providing material relief. In Croatia and Italy, JRS is preparing for an expected influx of Kosovo refugees.

Latter-day-Saints Charities

Donations of critical relief supplies by Latter-day Saint Charities to Kosovar refugees have been shipped by air and sea container from the Latter-day Saint Humanitarian Center in Salt Lake City, Utah. On 6 April, Latter-day Saint Charities shipped seven sea containers containing 21,000 blankets

and 152,000 pounds of clothing to be distributed by Mercy Corps in Albania and Macedonia. On 9 April, a chartered DC-8 cargo jet arrived in Macedonia with 78,000 pounds of food packaged into 3,000 separate family packs containing enough food to sustain a family of four for 10-14 days. The food packages were distributed by Mercy Corps International. 35,000 pounds of food, 147,000 pounds of clothing, and 7,000 blankets will be shipped to the region and distributed by the American Red Cross. Plans for additional assistance to the refugees include shipments of clothing, family hygiene kits, food, and powdered milk.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

LWR and partner organizations in ACT, an international church aid coalition, are also providing water, bedding, medical supplies and sanitation facilities. In Macedonia, up to 40,000 refugees living with local families receive a weekly food package at 14 distribution centers. A local LWR/ACT partner is managing one refugee camp and assisting with water and sanitation at another. In Albania, over 120 metric tons of food have been distributed around Kukes, Tirana and Korce where Kosovars have arrived via Macedonia. A camp for 2,000 people is being prepared. In Montenegro and Serbia an Orthodox church partner is providing aid to refugees and to orphans, disabled and elderly people affected by the bombing.

MAP INTERNATIONAL

Through the support of individuals and the pharmaceutical and health care industry, MAP International is preparing numerous shipments of desperately needed medicines, health care supplies and personal hygiene products. These are being packaged for immediate airlift and sea container delivery to cooperating NGO's involved with the provision of health services to refugees in Albania, Macedonia and possibly Montenegro. These essential supplies include antibiotics, oral rehydration salts, pain relievers, first aid supplies and personal care items such as antibacterial soaps and other personal hygiene items. Materials are being received and distributed by other InterAction members and local agencies in partnership with MAP. An assessment team is being dispatched for immediate evaluation of the situation and the effectiveness of MAP medical aid shipments.

MERCY CORPS INTERNATIONAL

Mercy Corps International is providing food, water, blankets, plastic sheeting, medical aid and other supplies to more than 100,000 Kosovar refugees throughout the Balkans. Mercy Corps was among the first U.S. agencies to open in Kosovo in 1993, providing \$30 million in aid to a quarter of a million people. Today their relief teams are providing daily shipments to refugees in Albania, Montenegro and Macedonia. They are especially focused on the well-being of children and their caregivers traumatized by the war. The U.S. Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance has entrusted Mercy Corps with a \$2.1 million grant to provide food and supplies for 75,000 refugees. They are also assessing short- and long-term needs and planning a larger response throughout the region.

OPERATION USA

Operation USA is collecting funds as well as refugee relief supplies in its Port of Los Angeles warehouse. We have approximately 15 tons on hand. Priority is being given to corporate in kind donations of shelter materials--tents, cots, new waterproof clothing (in bulk), inflatable mattresses, water-related equipment (receptacles, purification filters and chemicals), portable energy sources (flashlights/batteries). No shipments will be made without prior clearance as to appropriateness, continuing need for the item and ability of recipient partner agencies to handle and distribute the supplies. We are also consolidating other groups' supplies for later shipment. As there are no available government planes for NGO cargo, we are focusing on determining where there are gaps in supplies on hand and what those gaps will most likely be in a month. We are closely monitoring UNHCR, USG and NGO/IO reports to establish lists of needs. We have already provided antibiotics and other pharmaceuticals to a medical team fielded by Relief International.

OPPORTUNITY INTERNATIONAL

Opportunity International is working with our partners in the Balkans, particularly Macedonia, to provide assistance to client families who have taken in refugees and also to build up and adapt our microcredit programs to meet the rapidly changing needs of poor families in the Balkans.

OXFAM

Setting up a network of water distribution sites at the Albanian and Macedonian borders. Oxfam has delivered 17 tons of water purification equipment to Skopje, and are up and running with water at the refugee camp in Stankovic. Oxfam is also up and running with water for approximately 20,000 people in the town center of Kukes. The Kukes water system can handle about 25,000 people, and there are 125,000 now dependent on it.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is collecting funds to support the work of faith-based agencies directly involved in providing basic humanitarian relief, including food and medicines, clothing, and shelter, to migrating refugees in Albania and other countries in the region.

RELIEF INTERNATIONAL

Currently providing emergency medical assistance to the Kosovar refugees in Tirana, Kukes and Korce in Albania. Relief International has identified sanitation/waste management and rapid immunizations as its priority issues. RI has two medical clinics in Kukes and Korce, distributing pharmaceuticals on behalf of WHO. RI is also working with UNICEF on an EPI (Expanded Programme on Immunization) Project. RI intends to expand its health and sanitation programs, serving the most needy in Albania.

SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army is working in Albania in partnership with local church groups. Food, water, and hygiene items have been provided to refugees in transit in the Kukes area of Albania. In addition, 45,000 blankets and 25 tons of clothing have been sent to Kosovo and Albania. Very shortly, the Salvation Army will have established a presence in the Kukes area. Mobile canteens or way stations are or will be in place; hot meals will be provided to a camp housing 3,000 people; and other feeding centers will be established to assist Albanian families hosting refugees.

SAVE THE CHILDREN

With its British, Norwegian, and Danish Alliance partners, Save the Children is responding to the critical needs of Kosovar children and families in Albania and Montenegro. In addition, the organization is expanding its early childhood education program for Kosovar refugee children in Bosnia.

On April 6, 1999, Save the Children's first shipment of supplies since the onset of this most recent conflict safely crossed the border from Bosnia into Montenegro. Headed to the town of Plav, where more than 8,000 refugees await assistance, this 22 ton shipment includes kits of canned meat and fish, rice, cooking oil, and powdered milk and juice, as well as soap and shampoo. Save the Children also is initiating early childhood education programs in Plav to help restore structure and normalcy to the lives of children affected by this crisis.

On April 12, Save the Children will send by air approximately 40 metric tons of supplies –primarily

to assist children in need – to Albania and Macedonia. The shipment will include family kits that contain warm winter clothing for children, hygiene packs with diapers and other supplies, first aid supplies to treat diarrheal disease, and canned baby food.

U.S. COMMITTEE FOR UNICEF

Collecting funds to support UNICEF activities. A team of teachers and social workers trained by UNICEF are conducting psycho-social programmes for traumatised children as well as education programmes. UNICEF's activities are concentrated on immunization, essential pediatric drugs, baby care supplies, family reunification, education, pre-school care and trauma relief. Implementation of system to reunite unaccompanied children (UAC). Tracing tents have been established in six camps to register separated families. UNICEF is co-ordinating the registration. 150 UAC identified in first three days. Some 500 parents trying to trace missing children have registered. Polaroid cameras and film have been supplied to be used in family reunification efforts. UNICEF's activities cover Albania, Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Macedonia, Montenegro, and Bosnia-Herzegovina.

UNITED METHODIST COMMITTEE ON RELIEF

UMCOR is sending an assessment team at the end of this week to tour the region to determine how to continue and strengthen their response to the refugee crisis in the Balkans. UMCOR has been working with their churches in Macedonia for more than a year to support them in their efforts to respond to the trickle of refugees that is now a flood. UMCOR is also working with the Methodist Church of Italy to respond to the refugees pouring into their country with shelter and food. In Macedonia and Albania, UMCOR is responding through their ecumenical partner ACT (Action by Churches Together). Much of the assistance will be targeted in areas of central Albania where many of the refugees will be transported. Immediate assistance will include food, water, cooking utensils, bedding, tents, medical supplies, and sanitation facilities. In Macedonia and Montenegro, ACT partners are also distributing food and securing shelter for refugees.

UNITED WAY

Will provide funds to partner organizations to support their relief activities.

WORLD CONCERN

World Concern has established a team in Albania to provide food and clothing to refugees through a local (Albanian) partner organizations. Similar work is being established in Macedonia. All materiel provided is based on specific requests, so it may quickly clear the port and reach those in need. Food is being purchased as nearby as possible in Europe in order to reduce shipping costs and speed the process. One exception is the 3 metric tons shipment of baby formula from Seattle, in response to a request made by World Concern's Albanian partners. At least 4 sea containers at 8 metric tons each of clothing, shoes, diapers, baby bottles and blankets are also being shipped. This program will serve at least 25,000 refugees at a cost of \$500,000.

WORLD RELIEF

World Relief is using financial contributions to provide emergency aid to refugees in Albania and Macedonia. World Relief is working with the evangelical churches of Albania and Macedonia to provide this aid.

WORLD VISION

World Vision's relief program in Montenegro is being expanded to assist the growing number of people displaced from Kosovo. Relief supplies – canned meat, flour, oil, rice, bread, personal care

items, diapers and blankets – are being distributed to refugees in the town of Rozaje and elsewhere. World Vision is exploring the feasibility of establishing relief stations along the refugees' transit routes within Montenegro. World Vision's program aiding 75,000 people in Kosovo was suspended on March 21 when heightened tensions forced international staff to evacuate. In Albania, World Vision plans to become operational within the first week of April to assist with the tremendous needs of the refugee population there. World Vision has launched a \$2 million program to fund the relief effort for the refugees from Kosovo in the region

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Non-Profit Organizations Providing Assistance to the Kosovo Refugees

The non-profit organizations listed below are accepting contributions for assistance they or their affiliates are providing to refugees from Kosovo. In many cases, the names of the organizations provide a link to that organization's web site.

This list is composed of non-profit relief organizations that are listed by **InterAction** or are registered with the [U.S. Agency for International Development](#) as [private voluntary organizations](#).

Action Against Hunger/USA

875 6th Avenue, #1905
New York, NY 10001
1-212- 967-7800

International Medical Corps

11500 West Olympic Blvd.
Suite 506
Los Angeles, CA. 90064-1052
1-800-481-4462

**Adventist Development and Relief
Agency (ADRA)**

12501 Old Columbia Pike
Silver Spring, MD 20904
1-800-424-2372

**International Orthodox Christian
Charities**

PO Box 630225
Baltimore, MD. 21263-0225
1-410-243-9820

American Friends Service Committee

1501 Cherry Street
Philadelphia, PA 19102
1-888-588-2372

International Rescue Committee

122 East 42nd Street
New York, New York 10168-1289
1-212-551-3000

**American Jewish Joint Distribution
Committee**

711 Third Avenue, 10th Floor
New York, NY 10017
1-212-885-0832 or 1-212-885-0889

Islamic African Relief Agency USA

PO Box 7084
Columbia, MO 65205
1-800-298-1199

American Jewish World Service

989 Avenue of the Americas, 10th Floor
New York, NY 10018
1-800-889-7146 or 1-212-736-2597

Latter-Day Saints Charities

50 East North Temple Street, 7th floor
Salt Lake City, UT 84150
1-800-453-3860 extention 1201

**American Red Cross International
Response Fund**
PO Box 37243
Washington, DC 20013
1-800-HELPNOW

Lutheran World Relief
PO Box 6186
Church Street Station
New York, NY 10277
1-800-597-5972

American Refuge Committee
2344 Nicollet Avenue South
Suite 350
Minneapolis, MN 55404
1-800-875-7060

MAP International
2200 Glynco Parkway
PO Box 215000
Brunswick, GA 31521-5000
1-800-225-8550

Baptist World Aid
6733 Curran Street
McClean, VA 22101
1-703-790-8980

Mercy Corps International
PO Box 9
Portland, OR 97207-9703
1-800-852-2100

The Brother's Brother Foundation
Suite 3005
1501 Reedsdale Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15233-2341
1-412-321-3160

Mercy International - USA
44450 Pinetree Drive, Suite 201
Plymouth, MI 48170-3869
1-800-556-3729

CARE
151 Ellis Street
Atlanta, GA 30303
1-800-521-CARE

Operation USA
8320 Melrose Ave., Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90069
1-800-678-7255

Catholic Medical Mission Board
Kosovo Regional Emergency
10 West 17th Street
New York, NY 10011
1-800-678-5659

Opportunity International
2122 York Road, #340
Oakbrook, IL 60523
1-800-793-9455

Catholic Relief Services
PO Box 17090
Baltimore, MD 21203
1-800-736-3467

Oxfam America
Kosovo Relief Fund
26 West Street
Boston, MA 02111
1-800-77-OXFAM

Childreach / Plan International
155 Plan Way
Warwick, RI 02886
1-800-556-7918

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
100 Witherspoon Street
Louisville, KY 40202-1396
1-800-872-3283 or 1-502-569-5839

Christian Children's Fund
2821 Emerywood Parkway
PO Box 26484
Richmond, VA 23261-6484

Project Hope
The Hope Center
Millwood, VA 22646
1-540-837-2100

1-804-756-2700 or 1-800-776-6767

1-800-544-HOPE (4673)

Church World Service

28606 Phillips Street
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Elkhart, IN 46515
1-800-297-1516 ext. 222

Relief International

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Suite 405
Los Angeles, CA 90066
1-888-778-7452

Direct Relief International

27 South La Patera Lane
Santa Barbara, CA 93117
1-800-676-1638

Salvation Army World Service Office

615 Slaters Lane
PO Box 269
Alexandria, VA 22313
1-703-684-5524

Doctors of the World

375 West Broadway
New York, NY 10012
1-888-817-4357

Samaritan's Purse

P.O. Box 3000
Boone, NC
1-828-262-1980

Doctors Without Borders/MSF

6 East 39th Street, 8th Fl.
New York, NY 10016
1-888-392-0392

Save the Children Federation

54 Wilton Road
Westport, CT 06880
1-800-243-5075

**Episcopal Church
Presiding Bishop's Fund for World
Relief**

c/o Bankers Trust
PO Box 12043
Newark, NJ 07101
1-800-334-7626 ext. 5129

U.S. Association for UNHCR

1775 K St, NW, Suite 300
Washington, DC 20006
1-202-296-5191

Food for the Hungry International

7729 East Greenway Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85260
1-800-2-HUNGER

U.S. Committee for UNICEF

333 East 38th Street
New York, NY 10016
1-800-FOR-KIDS

Heart to Heart International

401 South Clairborne, Suite 302
Olathe, KS 66062
1-800-764-5220

United Way International

701 N. Fairfax St.
Alexandria, VA 22314
1-703-519-0092

International Aid Inc.

17011 West Hickory
Spring Lake, MI 49465
1-800-968-7490

World Concern

19303 Fremont Ave., North
Seattle, WA 98133
1-800-755-5022

World Vision

PO Box 9716
Federal Way, WA 98063
1-888-511-6565

World Relief
Dept. 3, PO Box WRC
Wheaton, IL 60189
1-800-535-5433

Kosovo Humanitarian Summary 15 April 1999

Refugees/IDPs Displaced from Kosovo

<i>Country</i>	<i>Total Refugees</i>	<i>Entries in last 24 hrs</i>
Macedonia	117,500	
Albania	318,000	
Montenegro	67,200	

**All numbers are estimates from UNHCR Headquarters. These numbers are constantly changing and being verified.*

UNHCR Humanitarian Evacuations (beginning April 6)

<i>Receiving Country</i>	<i>Number of Refugees</i>
Germany	7,918
Turkey	1,183
Norway	813
Israel	106
Others (Poland, Iceland, Switzerland)	116
TOTAL	10,136

U.S.G. Aid

USAID/OFDA has contributed over 6.8 million in commodities to the relief efforts in Kosovo, Albania, and Macedonia in Fiscal Year 1999.

Joint Task Force – Shining Hope (JTF-SH) has designated four C-130 aircraft to transport HDRs from Ancona, Italy to Tirana today. In addition, helicopters from the USS Inchon resumed airlift operations in transporting humanitarian supplies from Tirana to Kukës.

The DART has developed, in coordination with the European Community Humanitarian Office (ECHO) and UNHCR, an emergency response program addressing the needs of refugees residing with host families and in the five refugee camps in Macedonia.

Humanitarian Situation in Kosovo

UNHCR says that according to refugee accounts, stores with food stocks are open in Pristina, but they are owned by Serbs and will not serve Albanians.

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use only*

USG Humanitarian Coordination Council Kosovo Crisis Situation Report

J. Brian Atwood, Coordinator
Contributors: USAID, State, DOD, FEMA

April 9, 1999

Situation Update: Highlights

Regional

Relief supplies in Montenegro are growing short. NGOs are bringing in supplies in through the airport at Dubrovnik.

UNHCR is still trying to access stockpiled relief supplies in Belgrade. Their effort started last week but has been delayed by bureaucratic roadblocks.

The USS Inchon (comprising 12 x MH-53 E model helicopters – transport helicopters with internal and external load capabilities) will remain in the region to support of airlift operations.

Joint Staff is working with the Supreme Allied Commander Europe (SACEUR) to resolve existing issues with the humanitarian assistance operations plan (OPLAN 10414-Allied Harbor).

All major border crossings from Kosovo into Macedonia and Albania remain closed, although a number of unconfirmed crossings have taken place.

Albania

No significant change in the number of refugees in country. UNHCR reports 303,000 refugees throughout Albania on April 9. An estimated 3,800 refugees were able to make it across the border from Montenegro according to UNHCR.

Food is arriving in Albania by air and sea. According to WFP on April 8, 70.6 MT of HDRs were delivered to Kukes, 20 MT to Krume, and 15 MT to Korce.

WFP is supplying wheat flour to commercial bakeries in Tirana, Durrës, and Kukes to produce bread for the refugees. According to WFP, the combined production of loaves of bread is 27,000 per day. Throughout Albania, 80% of refugees are receiving full rations and all refugees are receiving at least partial rations.

The Tirana airport continues to be fully utilized and airspace is congested.

Air operations are picking up pace in the number of sorties, and tonnages going to northern Albania. The U.S. military has met to set up a new system to establish daily helicopter operations priorities. A coordination unit will be located at the Tirana airport and the Albanian humanitarian crisis coordination center (which will be staffed by WFP, U.S. military, and OSCE logisticians, and air operations specialists).

Four relief flights were cancelled today due to inclement weather.

UNHCR has requested 20 2.5 ton trucks, 10 400-gallon portable water tanks, tents, blankets, and sleeping mats for relief efforts in Albania.

Macedonia

The DART reports that there are about 45,000 refugees in camps in Macedonia; 65,000 refugees are with host families for a total of 110,000 - 115,000 refugees in Macedonia.

On April 8 (11 p.m. local time), Serbian authorities allowed 3,000 Kosovar Albanian refugees to cross into Macedonia, according to the DART.

UNHCR is taking over initial registration of refugees upon entry into Macedonia. The GOM will allow UNHCR to control the voluntary movement of refugees to third countries.

NATO and NGOs report there is a serious need for adequate and permanent water sources at Stankovac camp. DART will support NGOs with up to four 3,000 liter water bladders and 18,000 five-gallon jerry cans.

The food situation is fragile. Transit camps require ready to eat food, because there are not cooking facilities at the sites.

Background

In late February 1998, following an unprecedented series of clashes in Kosovo between Serbian police forces and members of the Kosovo Liberation Army (KLA), Serbian police raided villages in Kosovo's Drenica region, a KLA stronghold. The police burned homes and killed dozens of ethnic Albanians in these raids. Thousands of ethnic Albanians in Pristina protested Serb police actions, and were subsequently attacked by the police with tear gas, water cannons, and clubs.

This marked the beginning of further Serb offenses in Kosovo, which brought heavy fighting. As a result of the fighting, thousands of Kosovar Albanians were displaced from their homes, many taking refuge with host families, while a smaller proportion (several thousand) took to the hills and forests.

By the time NATO operations began against Serbia on March 24, 1999, 260,000 people had been displaced within Kosovo and 199,000 people had been displaced to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (FRY) and other countries.

USG Financial Support

Commodities

The first 204 of 700 tents for refugees departed Travis Air Force Base on April 8 with an estimated time of arrival of 1100 hrs EST on April 9 into the region (DOD).

USAID/OFDA has provided over \$2.1.1 million in commodities to the region, including transport.

This includes 300,000 humanitarian daily rations (HDRs) USAID/OFDA is shipping to Macedonia at a cost of \$700,000.

The Department of Defense (DOD) will be shipping another 300,000 HDRs to Skopje. DOD has provided 500,000 HDRs to Albania to date.

Financial Support

On March 31, President Clinton announced a package of \$50 million in aid to address the urgent humanitarian needs of those affected by the conflict in Kosovo. Of this amount \$25 million will come from the Emergency Refugee and Migration Account (ERMA) and is to be disbursed to UNHCR and other international entities involved in the relief effort. The other \$25 million will be comprised of supplies and services from the Department of Defense, including relief materials, shelter, and food.

On April 7, the State Department's Bureau for Population, Refugees and Migration (State/PRM), which administers the ERMA funds, announced a donation of \$3 million to the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) for assistance to the Kosovar Albanian refugees.

The U.S. Agency for International Development's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA) has provided an estimated \$2.1 million in new program assistance to respond to the humanitarian needs in Macedonia, and redirected some \$3.7 million from relief efforts in Kosovo to humanitarian operations in Macedonia, for an estimated total of \$7 million in assistance to the growing refugee crisis in that country.

Including the recently announced \$50 million in aid for the crisis, the USG has provided an estimated \$150 million to respond to the humanitarian needs relating to the crisis in Kosovo, since the beginning of the crisis in February 1998.

ALBANIA

1. REFUGEE CAMPS AND COLLECTIVE CENTERS:

There are apparently two camps in the Tirana area, in relatively close proximity to the capital. Both sound like possibilities.

One, the Lakeside Refugee Camp, is at a municipal sports facility, is close to the Embassy, and was visited by Atwood. It holds several thousand persons in tents, 60 of which were supplied by the U.S.

Another, "Mullet," is about 20 minutes from the Embassy. It was initially conceived as a transit center, but now has become a regular refugee camp with an estimated 4000-5000 refugees. Senator Inhofe visited this facility, which I am told is tented.

There are also collective centers -- smaller institutions, like schools, where refugees are housed.

Finally, the port of Durrës, probably a 10-15 minute helicopter ride, has several camps, and also is an important transit point for relief supplies. However, logistical and security concerns may well mitigate against consideration of sites there.

2. HOST FAMILIES.

Many Kosovars are hosted by Albanian families in the Tirana area. A visit to one such family might highlight the generosity of the Albanian people.

3. JTF SHINING HOPE

At Rinas Airport in Tirana, a visitor could meet with the Commander of our JTF Shining Hope, the U.S. military humanitarian relief operation. A visitor could be briefed on (and could witness) procedures for receiving and transporting supplies, flight control operations, etc.

MACEDONIA

1. REFUGEE CAMPS AND COLLECTIVE CENTERS

There are eight refugee camps/transit centers, including the new camp that will open on April 29. Of these, Stankovic I and Stankovic II, the largest and closest, are the best options for a visit. Stankovic I, with 27,900 people, is run by the U.S. PVO Catholic Relief Services and the majority of its tents are from USAID. CARE/Australia runs Stankovac II, with 16,000 people. Both are about 20 minutes outside the city. The next closest camp, Radusa, is smaller and is a 40 minute drive from the capital.

We will begin May 5 to process refugees for entry into the U.S. at a facility located between Stankovac I and II. A visit to that facility and a discussion with refugees would be possible.

2. HOST FAMILIES

Almost 80,000 Kosovar refugees (of the total 142,650) are living with host families. A visit to one such family would highlight the important role host families have played in accommodating refugees.

3. NATO TROOPS

There are no U.S. troops in Macedonia, but British, French and German NATO forces have been instrumental in providing assistance. A visit to either transit center would allow contact with the small contingent of British and French troops who remain in the camps. Also, a visit to NATO base, about 20 minutes from the capital, would be a possible.

4. SKOPJE MEETINGS

Meetings in Skopje could be arranged with the President and other government officials. Such a meeting could be used to highlight our efforts to move refugees from Macedonia to the U.S., Albania and other European countries, and to encourage the government to allow additional transit centers. Meetings could also easily be arranged with UNHCR and NGOs.

U.S. aircraft have not been flying into Skopje for security reasons. A visit to Macedonia may require driving from Thessoliniki, a 3-4 hour drive.

Processing site to move fuels to us - Greece said no.
taking names - going there camps & then fly to
us.
probably more from Albania - ∴ take some from Albania.

KOSOVO COORDINATION COUNCIL

April 27, 1999

20,000 probably be too little 3:00-4:00 pm - Chaired to bring here

White House, Roosevelt Room

* would get 100 people one for 3 weeks

AGENDA

1. TRIP REPORT

Brian Atwood

2. ADDRESSING CRITICAL GAPS

Brian Atwood

Eric Schwartz

UNHCR - Sec Gen. understands that
UN family needs to address this
(World Food, OCHA, etc) - not UN's leadership.

3. IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR REFUGEE
TRANSFERS

Julia Taft

400 id family -
Interaction # saturated

4. CAMP SECURITY

Jim Schear

- Macedonian sit'n tense. pressure domestically
camps over crowded, need to alleviate burden on host
families.
- Albania - shockingly poor - major infrastructure prob.
1 big pothole.
material delivery issues
- Other Eur. don't want to cooperate with taking
more refugees - see it as coping w/ ethnic
cleansing.

Focus concern expansion not happening fast enough.
* need to fill capacity in Turkey - people don't want to go there

ACTION PLAN: CRITICAL GAPS PAPER

Following is based on AID's "critical gaps" paper. Most important items are in **boldface**.

I. Contingency Planning:

ACTION: NSC (IWG)

1. Need to plan for expansion of conflict and further outflows.

Elements of a plan -- USG and international community:

- **Stockpiling supplies**
- **Relocation in event of expansion of conflict.**
- **Building additional camp capacity.**
- **Third country resettlement -- more approaches needed?**

2. Need to plan for repatriation. Next steps? Discussion with UNHCR? Principles paper?

II. Other issues

1. UNHCR ISSUES: ACTION PRM - Ogata only?

USAID/DART has identified 30 additional staff positions required for UNHCR to operate adequately there. Action: Memo to UNHCR offering secondment?

USG has urged UNHCR to appoint senior coordinators in Macedonia and Albania. State/PRM to continue to press this issue? Higher level approaches?

Urge UNHCR to continue to build new sites; promote transfer of refugees; increase supply of field kitchens; ensure coordination of relief supplies into Albanian ports to reduce bottlenecks; identify alternative routes in Albania to reach beneficiaries; augment support for host countries, where populations are sheltering refugees; promote local procurement; enhance water and sanitation.

2. WFP -- ACTION AID

Encourage WFP to work with Red Cross in coming up with uniform ration, to establish staging point for distribution of commodities, to encourage local procurement.

3. ICRC -- ACTION STATE/PRM

Encourage ICRC to work with WFP in coming up with uniform ration.

4. GOM – ACTION STATE/EUR

Encourage GOM to permit construction of new sites.

5. OFDA ACTION ITEMS

Ensure adequate quantities of Rub Hall tents for relief operations, and sufficient security to protect relief supplies in these temporary structures; possibly fund procurement of additional trucking fleet to move supplies; **dispatch additional non-food items, such as tents, plastic sheeting, blankets, etc., to meet continuing needs; augment support for host countries, where populations are sheltering refugees;** provide additional hygiene kits of both countries; promote local procurement; dispatch technical assistance experts to both GOA and GOM; look at distributing radios, establishing cellphone charging stations, and expanding IOM-USIA initiative on phones, e-mail, etc; secondment of CDC experts to both UNICEF and UNHCR to work on sanitation; **increase HDR/high protein biscuit buffer stocks to cover needs of 250,000 new arrivals.**

DART to encourage IO development of local community input groups to better understand local community concerns.

6. Food for Peace ACTION ITEMS

Provide FAO resources to coordinate and ensure local production is strengthened through seeds and other inputs.

7. UNICEF -- AID ACTION ITEM?

Encourage that a water sanitation expert travel to northern region of Albania.

8. DoD ACTION ITEMS

- **Ensure road repair in Albania, especially improving road from Tirana to Kukes.**
- ~~Enhance helicopter use in Albania.~~
- **Expanded use of CMOCs, and links between CMOCs and NGOs.**
- **Proposal for security in camps, ways to maintain civilian character of camps.**

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April 22, 1999

Hillary Rodham Clinton
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Dear Ms. Clinton:

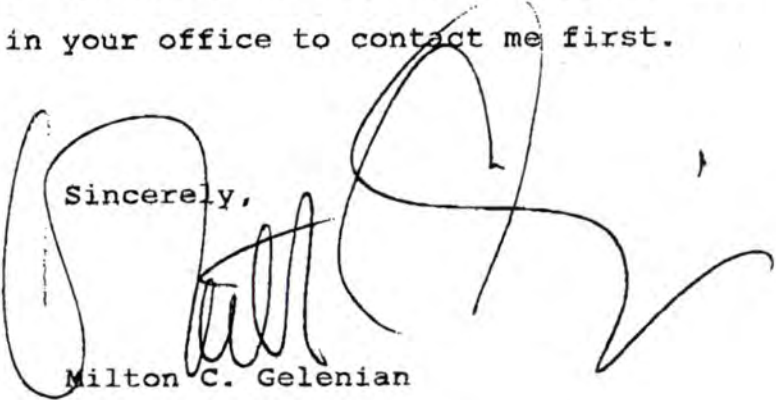
Jesse Jackson's office suggested that I contact you directly about a momentous Peace March with him in Kosovo, along with other clergy, both Christian and Moslem.

In planning your refugee trip there very soon you and Rev. Jackson could very well be the catalyst we want for peace.

I have not yet spoken to him about details and I suggest that you designate someone in your office to contact me first.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



Milton C. Gelenian

KOSOVO COORDINATION COUNCIL

April 22, 1999

10:00-11:00 am

Room 208 OEOB

Katy - Liss / State
 Buts not on board
 on taking refugees
 out / Macedonia
 family + Vulnerable

I. UPDATE ON REFUGEE FLOWS AND ASSISTANCE

II. CRITICAL GAPS

- Review Paper
- Next Steps

III. REFUGEE TRANSFERS

- Review Implementation Plan
- Next Steps
- DoD Camp in Albania

> family reunification

> Relative Call with on
800 #
Interaction

IV. CAMP SECURITY

- Review paper
- Next Steps

> get resettlement
agency active in
area.

> focus on M. first, later Albania

V. ATWOOD TRIP/LONDON MEETING

Buts press on refugee returns > hopefully processed out
of Greece.

VI. NATO SUMMIT

> hoping 19.20 days.

seriously ill - to Norway
no refugees w/out families now

working comm. found
bus.

- Education

- Econ. piece ~~Macedonia~~

- ~~host family and travel~~
travel.

if Greece
doesn't
work,
Plan to
use military
base in
US.


Maria Echaveste

04/21/99 06:41:52 PM

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To: MELANNE (Pager) #VERVEER
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Subject: Faith Figures--on albanian refugees

for your information---there is clearly lots of work that the religious community is doing to raise money for the refugees but we need to publicize some way--perhaps at the saperstein dinner on monday we could have president say something. Maureen--what about a national day of prayer for refugees--is that too impossible? also, cheri we need to followup on the business event of today--to have a working group--how do we want to proceed.

----- Forwarded by Maria Echaveste/WHO/EOP on 04/21/99 06:29 PM -----


Maria Echaveste

04/21/99 04:55:12 PM

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Subject: Faith Figures--on albanian refugees

We followed up on your question re whether nonhumanitarian/religious groups are engaged in raising money for refugees--the report from the folks working with religious (email below) is that they are revved up. Folks concluded that we don't need to push them, but we recommend that when President goes to the congregation dinner for David Saperstein on mon night, his remarks should reference the work of the faith community and thank them and encourage them. Because of David's coalition work, there should be many representatives of other religious organizations. I will continue to monitor these efforts.

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Maureen T. Shea

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Subject: Faith Figures

I've made some calls to get a sense of how some of the denominations are raising funds for refugee relief. There are at least 24 faith based NGO's raising money and/or giving aid for the Kosovars. Most of the major denominations have their own relief organization, and many participate through NCC/Church World Relief as well. Debi and Ben will have other information.

In alphabetical order:

A SAMPLING OF FAITH BASED FUNDRAISING EFFORTS FOR KOSOVARS

BAPTIST: Their 14 conventions and unions tend to divide between the larger doing their own fundraising for their own relief organizations and the smaller directing money to Baptist World Aid. The largest, the Southern Baptist Convention, which also has made the strongest Christian statements in support of our actions, has an International Mission Board would not give specific figures. They are soliciting and receiving funds and anticipate a "significant" amount. They are sending a team from Texas to Albania to set up a food kitchen.

CATHOLICS: Contributions are funneled to Catholic Relief Services. They are raising money from their own solicitations, web page, and unsolicited donations - Newman's Own gave \$250,000, an anonymous private foundation \$300,000. Newman also allowed them to use his name, etc., which they are doing on their web site and that has been very effective. In addition, The National Conference of Catholic Bishops has sent out an appeal to all its Bishops. Dioceses can respond as they wish - in some cases, Bishops will send a check, in others - such as DC - they will do a special collection. It is too early to know how much will be raised overall. However, for Hurricane Mitch they raised \$15 million from dioceses and \$12 million from individuals.

ECUMENICAL/NCC: Church World Service is the NCC relief agency and they have a number of avenues for fundraising:

Emergency Response Fund: Have already raised \$1 million from their individual communions and have a goal of \$1.8 million - the original goal was \$1.2 million but the response has been so positive that they have increased it.

Direct Mail: This will continue and to date they have raised \$260,000

Dedicated Disaster Fund: Local congregations give directly to this fund, through which they have already sent 25,000 blankets, 10,000 mattresses, and 1,000 eight person tents.

Other: They have received some very generous individual donations, including \$50,000 from one family and \$1,000 from Archbishop Tutu. They are asking him to do a PSA. In addition, they are asking newspapers in selected cities to place ads which direct contributions to CWS. The Des Moines Register and Richmond Times, among others, have already done so.

EPISCOPAL: The Presiding Bishop's Fund is their avenue. Bishop Griswold has sent one appeal to each of the 100 diocese and is now sending an all parish message to be inserted in each of the bulletins of their 7,500 churches. The church has given directly to Church World Service. Figures not available yet.

LUTHERAN: Lutheran World Services says it is too early to tell how much they will raise. They usually get about 60% from their church networks - they have three individual synods, the largest of which, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, has sent out an appeal to its members.

MUSLIM: Not having a national body, they are doing individual fundraising events around the country. At a Sunday event in LA attended by 2,500 people, they raised over \$300,000. They told us that the strongest applause of the event was for the letter of greeting from the First Lady. Nationally American Muslim organizations report having raised more than \$2 million for Kosovar relief.

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Subject: Re: Melanne's request 

As you know, my calls yesterday and Debi has more, showed that in fact there already is a lot going on in individual denominations to support the relief efforts of the faith community - however, more support for that would undoubtedly be welcome. Some possibilities:

- a meeting of FLOTUS and/or POTUS with faithbased refugee organizations and the leaders of their religious institutions
- ✕ • what ever happened to the First Lady's PSA - I've never seen a transcript - we could certainly get that out to people
- most of these organizations, faith and non-faith, have web sites - is there something we could provide for all of them to use on their web sites?
-
- ✕ • briefing for religious press with First Lady and Brian Atwood as well as faith based humanitarian organizations - might also consider a special interview with someone like Peggy Wehymeyer who cover religions for ABC News
- ✕ • if there are really going to be 20,000 refugees in this country, once we know where they will be, there will undoubtedly be strong support for helping from individual houses of worship- one congregation in Pennsylvania has offered from day one to help take people in
- ✕ • As to a National Day of Prayer for refugees - well, there already is a Congressionally mandated National Day of Prayer and it is May 6 and is run by Shirley Dobson, wife of James...I don't think we want to go there...

But there are other possibility - most of them - faith and non-faith based have web sites

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