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### Highlights

The influx of new Burundians into Tanzania stands at over 73,000 according to UNHCR reports dated July 6. This brings the total refugee population at Nyarugusu Refugee Camp to 139,000. UNHCR has revised the Burundian influx planning figures from 70,000 to 150,000 (this includes the 73,000 new Burundian refugees already in country since end April). The daily rate of arrivals has gone down over the past several days. However, Nyarugusu Refugee Camp continues to be overcrowded. Meanwhile, UNHCR remains in discussions with the government over the location/camp where new Burundian refugees will be transferred.

### Situation Update

East African Community leaders met in Dar es Salaam on Monday, July 6 and made an appeal to the Burundian leadership to defer the presidential elections to 30 July. Media reports further indicate that a Burundian general who supported the failed coup in May has threatened to launch an armed uprising if President Nkurunziza does not drop his bid for the third term.

### WFP Response



#### Food Assistance

- Since the start of the crisis, WFP has distributed a cumulative total of 2,033 mt of food commodities in the form of dry rations, hot meals and ready to eat food.
- WFP's dry food ration comprises maize, beans, oil, salt and Supercereal (fortified Corn Soya blend or CSB+). To date 1,772 mt of dry rations have been distributed to new arrivals.
- Due to a temporary scarcity, WFP is prioritizing the distribution of Supercereal (CSB+) to children under 5 and pregnant and lactating women.
- Hot meals are provided at reception and transit centres to new arrivals staying overnight, and to new arrivals at Nyarugusu Refugee Camp who are waiting to be registered. Hot meals have the same composition and quantities as the dry ration. All refugees have been part of the hot meals programme for one or more days, with cumulatively 217 mt of food commodities provided.

### In numbers

**73,000** new Burundian refugees (51% F 49% M)  
**65,500** pre-influx refugees  
**100%** of the refugees received food assistance

### Funding Update

**NEW DFID GBP 500,000**  
**DFID: GBP 1 million**  
**Food for Peace: US\$ 3 million**  
**CERF: US\$ 2.3 million**  
**ECHO: US\$ 0.5 million**  
**Fundraising ongoing**

### Videos/Photo Galleries

**A World of Forgotten Refugees**  
<http://panorama.wfp.org/a-world-of-forgotten-refugees>  
**Burundian Refugees Fleeing to Tanzania Face Challenging Times**  
<http://www.wfp.org/node/3614/4091/646561>  
**Burundian Refugees at Nyarugusu in Tanzania**  
<http://www.wfp.org/node/3614/4092/646605>  
**WFP Assists Burundian Refugees in Tanzania**  
<http://www.wfp.org/node/3614/4092/646395>

- High Energy Biscuits (HEB) are provided via UNHCR/IOM to refugees en route by bus from reception centres at border entry points to Nyarugusu Refugee Camp. In total 30 mt of ready to eat food (HEB and dates) have been provided since the start of the influx end April.
- Over 200 children with moderate acute malnutrition have been identified and admitted in the WFP's Targeted Supplementary Feeding Programme implemented by the Tanzania Red Cross Society.
- For the prevention of malnutrition, Supercereal plus (CSB++) is provided to children between the ages of 6-23 months. Over the last week, approximately 2 mt of Supercereal plus (CSB++) was distributed to a little over 1,000 children covering a period of 14 days. Supercereal Plus is a fortified food blend.
- Supercereal (CSB+) is provided to identified pregnant and lactating women and HIV patients on medication, and dry rations to hospital in-patients. A total of 12 mt of various food commodities has been distributed since the start of the emergency to a daily average of up to 750 beneficiaries.



### Logistics

- As a lead agency in logistics, WFP co-ordinates transportation of food and non-food items, warehousing and clearing and forwarding formalities, and provides information to NGOs and UN agencies to help improve efficiency in transport and logistics.
- The Ministry of Home Affairs has provided additional land to WFP in Nyarugusu Refugee Camp which can accommodate 10 rub halls or 3,600 mt of storage capacity. This provides buffer for any increased storage requirements in response to the influx.

## Partnerships

WFP partners with a number of NGOs including Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) which carries out GFD at Nyarugusu Refugee Camp and with Caritas, which provides hot meals at transit and reception centres. With food provided by WFP, UNHCR's partners, TWESA and REDESO provide hot meals to new arrivals at Nyarugusu Refugee Camp and Ngara respectively, and Tanzania Red Cross Society (TRCS) runs the targeted feeding programme at the camp.

## Resourcing Update

- The UK Department for International Development (DFID) has made an additional contribution of GBP 500,000. This brings the total contribution by DFID towards this emergency to GBP 1.5 million.
- Other confirmed contributions include Food for Peace - US\$ 3 million, Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) - US\$ 2.3 million and ECHO - US\$ 0.5 million.
- With increasing numbers of refugees, WFP continues to raise funds.

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