Refugees from Burundi continue to cross borders into neighbouring countries. As at 01 August, more than 180,000 new Burundian refugees had arrived in the DRC, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda.

WFP urgently requires USD 68 million for the next six months to meet the needs of operations that are responding to the Burundi crisis. In Rwanda, WFP will face pipeline breaks in October if additional funding is not available.

In Burundi, the situation remains tense despite the relatively peaceful presidential elections on 21 July. WFP is providing food support to 100,000 vulnerable people affected by the ongoing crisis in Bujumbura Mairie, Kirundo and Makamba Provinces.

**Overview**

Burundi’s Independent National Electoral Commission (CENI) announced that President Nkurunziza won the presidential elections on 23 July. This comes amid the withdrawal of three opposition presidential candidates from the elections.

The security situation in Bujumbura is tense following the assassination of General Adolphe Nshimirimana, a senior military official of the government, by unknown assailants on 02 August. In addition, on 25 July, fighting between security forces and an unidentified armed group was reported in Rukambasi (Nyanza Lac) area of Makamba Province, south-west Burundi, near the Tanzania border.

Burundians continue to flee the country due to persistent fear and insecurity in the country. The majority of new arrivals in neighboring countries are women and children who require urgent humanitarian assistance. As at 01 August, more than 180,000 people had fled the country into the DRC, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda.

In Burundi, WFP is providing emergency assistance to vulnerable households affected by the ongoing crisis, with a particular focus on the nutritional status of children, pregnant and breastfeeding women. In neighbouring countries hosting newly arrived refugees, working closely with UNHCR and select NGO partners, WFP is providing high energy biscuits at border crossing points, hot meals at reception and transit centres and dry monthly rations to those settled in the camps. In addition, WFP is providing specialized nutrition products for treatment and prevention of malnutrition at the refugee camps.

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**In numbers**

- > 180,000 refugees have crossed borders into neighbouring countries
- > 100,000 people in Burundi in need of immediate food assistance
- >1,000 new arrivals weekly into neighbouring countries

USD 68 million needed for 6 months to support operations that are responding to the Burundi crisis.
The "most likely" scenario in the revised Burundi Regional Refugee Response Plan projects the arrival of 120,000 refugees into Rwanda.

The "most likely" scenario in the revised Burundi Regional Refugee Response Plan projects the arrival of 150,000 refugees into Tanzania.

The "most likely" scenario in the revised Burundi Regional Refugee Response Plan projects the arrival of 20,000 refugees into Uganda.