

# Rapid Response

## Payment Request No. 7/2008

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**Funds Sent To:** Church of Uganda, PDR  
**Amount Sent :** US\$ 60,000  
**Date:** 5 February 2008

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### Details of Response

**Emergency:** Assistance to Kenyan Refugees in Uganda  
**Date of Emergency:** January 2008  
**Implementing partners:** Church of Uganda, PDR

**Details of the Emergency:** The Nation of Kenya that borders Uganda on the Eastern side has to been known as a bastion of peace in East Africa for the last 45 years since it attained independence from Britain in 1963. Its economy has also been the strongest in the region, partly due to peace and stability. It is also the major gateway to the sea for the three landlocked Countries of Uganda, Rwanda and Burundi in the hinterland, on top of serving Eastern Congo and Southern Sudan. However, following the 27<sup>th</sup> December 2007 General Elections, Kenya experienced ethnic clashes due to disputed election results. Official figures put the death toll at over 600 people and yet violence is still continuing as the two major parties have failed to reach a negotiated settlement to the crisis. This has resulted major internal and external displacement of over 250,000 people.

**Actions to Date, and Emergency Needs:** An assessment of the emergency was done by ACT Forum members: Church of Uganda/PDR(COU/PDR) and the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) Uganda. Based on the assessment report, Uganda had received 2,082 Kenyan refugees through mainly three border posts of Busia, Malaba and Lwakhakha in Busia, Tororo and Mbale Districts of Uganda. Media reports however recorded higher figures of refugees as some of them may not have registered at border posts but simply have joined friends and relatives. The refugees are temporarily sheltered in schools and churches at the border posts pending relocation to a newly proposed UNHCR Refugees Transit Camp at Mulanda in Tororo District, over 60 Km from the border. Women and children comprise the majority of the refugees. The Red Cross and other organisations responded by providing limited assistance – food and non food items – to the refugees at the border reception centres. But the assistance is falling short due to inadequate resources to meet the daily influx of refugees.

At the ACT Forum meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2008, it was agreed that the intervention be at a modest level as members continue to observe the political situation in Kenya. It was further agreed that the COU/PDR takes the lead and will receive support from the LWF Uganda. The Church of Uganda carried out Rapid Needs Assessment which yielded to the results detailed above and summarized below. In order to keep abreast of the situation, the ACT Forum members will hold briefings during the programme period.

### **PROPOSED EMERGENCY RESPONSE:**

#### **Objective(s) of the Emergency Response:**

The specific objectives of this programme are to assist 140 families/Households (Average of 6 family members per household) with food and non-food items as follows:

1. Provision of 50,000 kg of maize flour
2. Provision of 18,000 kg of beans
3. Provision of 250 kg of salt
4. Provision of 80 units of plastic sheeting.
5. Provision of 200 pieces of blankets

6. Provision of 5 bales of assorted second hand clothes for children, women and men.
7. Provision of 1,500x 10 packets of sanitary pads for an estimated 750 women in productive age bracket.
8. Provision of 200 pieces of plastic jelly cans
9. Provision of 200 pieces of plastic buckets
10. Provision of 100 dozens of plastic plates
11. Provision of 100 dozens of plastic cups

### Specific Protection, Security

Currently the refugees are housed in a primary school and Busia Church of Uganda parish headquarters and they are under government protection. UNHCR with the government are in the process of relocating the refugees to a transit camp in Mulanda in Tororo district, 60 km from border.

The ethnic and tribal differences which have escalated the violence in Kenya are threatening to spill over among the refugees. Therefore, the Uganda government is planning to separate the different ethnic groups within the refugees for better protection.

### Vulnerability

The situation in Kenya is escalating due to failure of negotiations between the warring parties. The number of refugees is increasing and yet assistance is inadequate to meet the needs of the refugees.

### Gender

Gender concerns have been taken into consideration during the design of the intervention and will continue to be a major part of the respond.

### Proposed Assistance:

| S/No | Proposed Activity  | Outputs   | Indicator  |
|------|--|---|--|
| 1.   | Resource Mobilisation  | Resources to make intervention  | 140 households assisted in food and non-food items         |
| 2.   | Selection of target beneficiaries                              | 140 most vulnerable selected for assistance   | 840 people assisted with food and non-food items           |
| 3.   | Sensitization of the Refugees in sanitation and proper hygiene | Improved health for the refugees<br>Reduced illnesses due to hygiene and sanitation related illnesses | No. of healthy children among refugees.                    |
| 4.   | Purchase of items  | Items purchased   | Receipts from suppliers                                    |
| 5.   | Transportation of items to Dioceses                            | Items delivered to dioceses   | Delivery notes signed by diocesan officials                |
| 6.   | Distribution of items  | Items distributed   | Acknowledgements of receipts of goods by the beneficiaries |
| 7.   | Reporting  | Progress and end of intervention reports made   | Reports produced and shared with partners.                 |

**Implementation arrangements:** The Church of Uganda/ PDR (COU/PDR )will spearhead the implementation of the intervention. The Diocese of Bukedi will implement the intervention directly. The Church of Uganda PDR and the Diocese will work hand in hand with Government authorities, especially at local levels. Information shall be shared with other agencies like Red Cross, WFP and other community based agencies. LWF as the other member of the ACT forum will continue to share advice with COU/PDR. The principles of the code of conduct have been considered and shall strictly be adhered to.

**Coordination:** All interventions in this emergency are coordinated by the office of the RDC of Busia District as of now. The Church of Uganda/ PDR (COU/PDR) shall work hand in hand with the local government to implement the response.

**Communications:** The Provincial Secretary is the official spokesperson of COU and is available to assist with the media activities.

**Planned Implementation Period:** The implementation of this intervention under the RRF will be a minimum of two months.

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY:**

The Rapid Response is at budgeted at US \$ 60,000. The rate used is USHS 1,650 = US \$ 1

**BUDGET**

|    | Type  | Unit        | No     | Unit Cost | Budget<br>UGX     | Budget<br>US\$ |
|----|---|-------------|--------|-----------|-------------------|----------------|
|    | <b>Food</b>                                       |             |        |           |                   |                |
| 1  | Maize Flour                                       | Kgs.        | 50,000 | 1,000     | 50,000,000        | 30,303         |
| 2  | Salt  | Kgs.        | 250    | 1,000     | 250,000           | 152            |
| 3  | Beans   | Kgs.        | 18,000 | 1,200     | 21,600,000        | 13,091         |
|    | <b>Non - food items</b>                           |             |        |           | -                 | -              |
| 4  | Plastic Jerrycans                                 | Pieces      | 200    | 3,500     | 700,000           | 424            |
| 5  | Plastic buckets                                   | Pieces      | 200    | 5,000     | 1,000,000         | 606            |
| 6  | Plastic plates                                    | Dozens      | 100    | 400       | 40,000            | 24             |
| 7  | Plastic cups                                      | Dozens      | 100    | 300       | 30,000            | 18             |
|    | <b>Shelter, beddings and clothing</b>             |             |        |           | -                 | -              |
| 8  | Blankets (Simba)                                  | Pieces      | 200    | 10,000    | 2,000,000         | 1,212          |
| 9  | Second hand clothes - assorted                    | Bales       | 5      | 300,000   | 1,500,000         | 909            |
| 10 | Plastic sheets                                    | Pieces      | 80     | 30,000    | 2,400,000         | 1,455          |
|    | <b>Health and sanitation Support</b>              |             |        |           | -                 | -              |
| 11 | Sanitary wear for women and girls                 | 10x1packets | 1,500  | 3,000     | 4,500,000         | 2,727          |
|    | <b>Transport and Handling</b>                     |             |        |           | -                 | -              |
| 1  | Hire of Lorries for Transporting Items            | Trips       | 3      | 950,000   | 2,850,000         | 1,727          |
| 2  | Running costs for 2 PDR Vehicles                  | Trips       | 10     | 300,000   | 3,000,000         | 1,818          |
| 3  | Storage, loading and off loading                  | Weeks       | 2      | 300,000   | 600,000           | 364            |
| 4  | Per diems for staff& 3 volunteers                 | Days        | 10     | 240,000   | 2,400,000         | 1,455          |
|    | <b>Programme Co-Ordination and Implementation</b> |             |        |           |                   |                |
| 1  | Co-ordination administrative contribution         | Month       | 2      | 2,206,000 | 4,412,000         | 2,674          |
| 2  | Office Maintenance costs                          | Month       | 2      | 100,000   | 200,000           | 121            |
| 3  | Bank Charges                                      | Month       | 2      | 150,000   | 300,000           | 182            |
| 4  | Stationery  | Month       | 2      | 150,000   | 300,000           | 182            |
| 5  | Telephone, Fax & E-mail                           | Month       | 2      | 80,000    | 160,000           | 97             |
| 6  | Electricity and Water                             | Month       | 2      | 80,000    | 160,000           | 97             |
| 7  | Report Productions                                | Number      | 2      | 300,000   | 600,000           | 364            |
|    |   |             |        |           | <b>99,002,000</b> | <b>60,000</b>  |

**ACTION**

The ACT Co-ordinating Office has approved the use of **US\$ 60,000** towards the budget from its Rapid Response Fund and would be grateful to receive contributions to wholly or partially replenish this payment.