**IASC PRINCIPALS AD HOC MEETING**

**Central african republic**

**Summary of Action Points**

5 September 2014

The IASC Principals met to review the humanitarian situation and response in the Central African Republic. The Senior Humanitarian Coordinator gave an update on the humanitarian and political situation in CAR. DPKO briefed on the deployment of the Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA) and DSS on the security situation.

There was a broad agreement to extend the L3 system-wide response, with different views on the duration of the extension (three or six months). In the end, it was agreed to extend for three months, given the fluidity of the situation and the deployment of the UN stabilization mission. The group asked the Senior HC and the HCT to work with MINUSCA’s leadership to ensure the distinction between MINUSCA and humanitarian operations and maximize the protective impact of the MINUSCA deployment. Several organizations welcomed that the decision to extend the L3 took into consideration the role of the MINUSCA. They highlighted that some overlaps and duplications may occur and emphasized the need for a complementary approach between the UN Peacekeeping Mission and humanitarian actors without compromising humanitarian principles.

There was an acknowledgment that L3s were originally developed for disaster situations and it would always be difficult to exit from L3 responses in protracted emergencies such as CAR, South Sudan or Syria. Therefore, there is a need to be very clear about what an L3 declaration will accomplish. Principals agreed to maintain the pressure on UN Member States to ensure that CAR does not return to being a forgotten emergency

***Action points:***

The IASC Principals agreed to:

1. *Extend the L3 system-wide response for three months and requested the HCT to clearly set out what is to be achieved during that period including clarifying the respective roles of the humanitarian community and MINUSCA.* ***Action by:*** *HCT by the end of September.*
2. *Request an exit strategy with benchmarks agreed by the HCT.* ***Action by:*** *Senior HC with HCT by the end of September.*
3. *Develop common messaging to ensure that Member States continue to focus their attention on CAR, conveying what the IASC is proposing to achieve under the L3 extension.* ***Action by:*** *Senior HC with HCT to be distributed to IASC Principals by 20 September ahead of the High-Level meeting in the margins of the General Assembly on 26 September.*
4. *Request Overview of requirements and timelines for the establishment of field hubs, identifying agencies responsible for each hub, to be submitted by the HC to the EDG/Principals, clearly identifying support and funding needed.* ***Action by:*** *SHC by the end of September 2014 and EDG/Principals to follow-up on required fundraising/resource mobilisation to complete hubs expeditiously by end of November.*
5. *Due to the security environment, UNDSS must be engaged early in the planning process for the delivery of programmes.* ***Action by****: SHC and DSS immediately.*
6. *Monitor the border and analyse movement including the movement of people with livestock.* ***Action by****: HC/HCT.*

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