

INTER-AGENCY STANDING COMMITTEE
WEEKLY MEETING

Summary Notes

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Geneva

I Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)

Mr. Rudolph Muller (OCHA) Head, Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) Secretariat

Mr. Muller provided participants with an overview of the CERF focusing on allocations made in 2006, availability of funds and plans for 2007 as well as management and prioritisation process of the CERF.

For details of Mr. Mullers briefing please see his presentation available at:
<http://www.humanitarianinfo.org/iasc/content/calendar/calendar.details.asp?meetID=1193>

The following main points arose from the discussion:

- Establishment of the upgraded CERF has so far increased overall global humanitarian funding.
- Several agencies, UN as well as NGOs, pointed out that NGO's should have better and more direct access to CERF funding.
- CERF funding for pooled funds, to which NGOs have direct access, is a way for NGOs to indirectly receive funds.
- The \$500 million funding goal for the CERF is likely not to be reached if the donor base is not broadened. Funding from the private sector would be essential in this regard.
- Donations to the CERF is now possible through the CERF website:
<http://ochaonline2.un.org/Default.aspx?alias=ochaonline2.un.org/cerf>
- CERF will be discussed at the next IASC Working Group in March 2007

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