

# UCPM and EU humanitarian aid response to the situation in the Middle East

## EU Civil Protection Mechanism (UCPM)

- 13 flights repatriated 1 510 people from Israel and Egypt.
- Greece delivered 1 000 shelter items to support Cyprus in case of refugee influx.
- 353 people evacuated by rescEU-facilitated bus from Gaza.
- 9 MS and rescEU stock offered medical equipment, medicines and consumables to support Egypt's healthcare system.
- Spain offered one reverse osmosis unit for water treatment to ICRC field hospital in Gaza.
- Cyprus is establishing the UCPM logistics hub to facilitate aid via the maritime corridor.
- WHO requested UCPM assistance to medically evacuate Palestinian patients from Gaza to Europe.
- 88 000 cans of food shipped via the Cyprus Maritime Corridor and newly constructed US pier



Humanitarian funding for Palestine in 2024\*  
over EUR 185 million\*\*

Cyprus Maritime Corridor  
18 May

As of 19 May 2024,  
**1.7 million IDPs<sup>1</sup> in Gaza**  
of which nearly **1 million** are in **155 UNRWA<sup>2</sup> DES<sup>3</sup>**

<sup>1</sup>Internally Displaced People  
<sup>2</sup>The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees  
<sup>3</sup>Designated Emergency Shelters

Source: UNRWA

## European Humanitarian Response Capacity (EHRC)

- 51 flights landed (most recent flight: 7 May 2024)
- 2 233 tonnes of humanitarian relief items
- EHRC stockpile mechanism:
  - ✓ 161 tonnes of logistics items to Egypt and Palestine\*
  - ✓ 232 tonnes of WASH and shelter items
- 11 MS and 19 humanitarian aid partners supported
- 134 tonnes transported via EU Convoy
- 2 EU warehouses opened (operational until 9 May)

## Expert deployments

- 2023: 2 experts and 6 ERCC Liaison Officers deployed in Egypt and Cyprus
- 2024: 17 medical experts deployed in Egypt in support to WHO.
- Since March, 6 experts and 5 ERCC staff deployed in Cyprus. An EU Civil Protection Team is currently deployed there.
- 3 Logistic experts and 2 health experts deployed to Amman via the EHRC



- UCPM activation
- EU warehouses (until 9 May)
- Border crossing sporadically used
- Border crossing opening under negotiation
- Border crossing opening closed
- Urban areas
- Damaged buildings (as of 29 February 2024) Source: UNOSAT
- Main roads
- Country border
- 1950 Armistice Line
- Number of UNRWA<sup>2</sup> shelters per governorate (partners are supported by 2023 HIP funding for Palestine\*)

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\*\*Allocation for 2024 to support humanitarian organisations in Gaza and the West Bank.

Evacuations by bus to Cairo

