6 August 2014: World events

**SWEDEN – Forest Fire**
- The forest fire in Västmanland County is still burning (as of 6 August). Weather conditions are improving.
- Following the request of Sweden for international assistance through the European Union Civil Protection Mechanism on 3 August, firefighting planes from Italy and France have been accepted by Swedish authorities.
- French and Italian planes have arrived, as well as helicopters from Norway.
- Copernicus EMS - Mapping has been activated.
- An ECHO/ERCC Liaison Officer has arrived on 6 August in Sweden.

**CHINA – Earthquake**
- The death toll from the 6.1 M earthquake of 3 August has risen sharply. As of 6 August, there were: 589 dead and thousands of collapsed or severely damaged houses in parts of the Yunnan, Guizhou and Sichuan provinces.

**JAPAN – Tropical Cyclone HALONG**
- Typhoon HALONG is forecast to pass Daito archipelago (Japan) on 7 August, then move towards Kyushu.
- On 7-10 August heavy rains, winds and storm surge may affect Daito and Amami islands, as well as parts of Kyushu, Shikoku and Honshu.

**HAWAII (USA) – Tropical Cyclone ISELLE**
- Hurricane ISELLE is moving towards Hawaii. It is forecast to reach the main Hawaiian island on 8 August (UTC), as a Tropical Storm. Heavy rains and winds may affect Hawaii on 7-10 August.

**LEGEND**
- Countries affected by:
  - Conflict
  - Displacement
  - Tropical Cyclones
  - Forest Fires
  - Earthquake
  - Ferry Accident

- Tropical Cyclone INTENSITY
  - Tropical Depression
  - Tropical Storm
  - Hurricane / Typhoon

- WIND BUFFER
  - 64 km/h
  - 92 km/h
  - 120 km/h

- Earthquake
  - Epicenter

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**CHAD – Population Displacement**
- Around 1,000 refugees (most of them children and women) from Kolokiola, Nigeria, arrived to the Lake Chad Region, in Chad, fleeing Boko Haram attacks on their villages. Needs assessment are on-going. The area where they are staying, is very remote and unsafe. Relocation is under consideration by the UN.

**SOUTH AFRICA – Earthquake**
- On 5 August at 10.22 UTC an earthquake of magnitude 5.3 M (depth: 10 km) hit near the border between the provinces of North West and Free State.
- As of 6 August: one dead, 17 mine workers injured and over 400 buildings damaged.

**BANGLADESH – Ferry capsized**
- A Bangladesh ferry, with approx. 500 people on board, capsized on 4 August, while travelling on the River Padma, approx. 30km south-west of the capital Dhaka.
- More than 100 people are feared dead; however, exact figures are still unknown.

**GAZA STRIP – Conflict**
- The fragile 72-hour ceasefire in Gaza announced on 5 August pushed into its second day. The Israeli and Palestinian delegations will hold negotiations in Cairo aiming at securing a permanent ceasefire after the 72-hour window closes.

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