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Djibouti

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Somalia

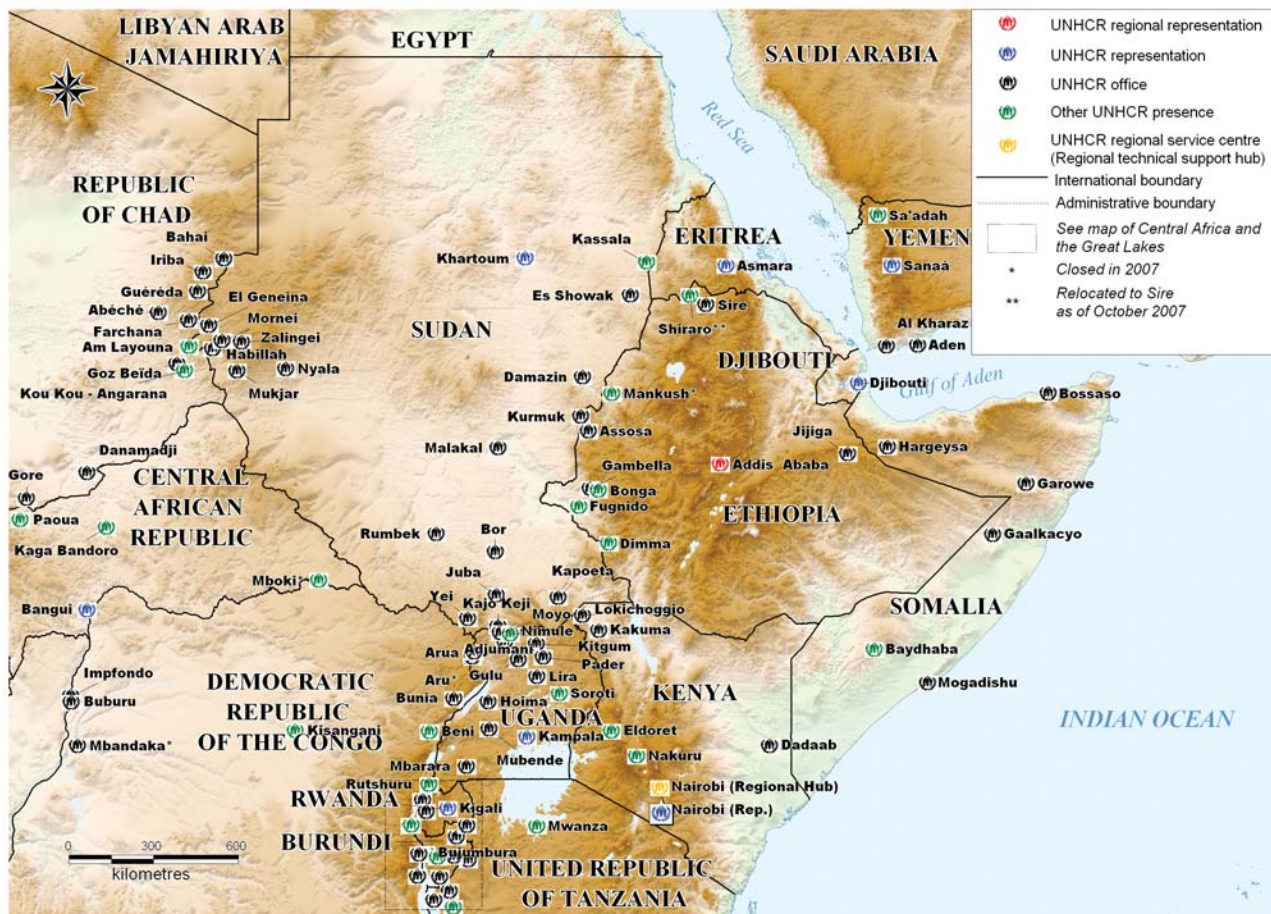
Sudan (see Chad/Sudan Situation)

Uganda

## East and Horn of Africa

### Operational highlights

- UNHCR facilitated the voluntary repatriation of 42,000 Sudanese refugees from Ethiopia, Kenya and Uganda to Southern Sudan in 2007. In addition, a significant number of refugees returned spontaneously to Sudan, although statistics are not yet available.
- In Uganda at the end of 2007, some 579,000 IDPs finally returned to their homes or places of choice, while another 300,000 internally displaced persons (IDPs) started the return movement and are in transit areas. Given the large number of returnees, the Government has developed a comprehensive recovery and development programme primarily targeting conflict-stricken areas in the north of the country.
- It is estimated that up to a million people were displaced in Somalia in 2007, mostly in the southern and central parts of the country. Renewed fighting, scarcity of food and lack of livelihood were the main factors fuelling the humanitarian crisis.
- In Ethiopia, UNHCR registered more than 8,000 new arrivals from Eritrea, more than 70 per cent of them young urban men possibly fleeing military conscription.
- Although the Kenya/Somalia border remained closed; some 18,000 people from south and central Somalia arrived in Dadaab, in north-eastern Kenya.



## Working environment

The East and Horn of Africa region faced ongoing conflict and natural disasters throughout 2007, particularly in Ethiopia, Kenya and Somalia. Fighting continued in south and central Somalia and peace talks between the Government of Uganda and Lords Resistance Army continued at a slow pace.

In Somalia, due to the security constraints UNHCR and its humanitarian partners could not reach most of the IDPs and others in need of protection and assistance, especially in Mogadishu. However, with the support of the African Union (AU) peacekeeping force in Mogadishu, UNHCR's national staff and local partners were able to provide emergency shelter and non-food items to IDPs.

UN peacekeepers withdrew from Eritrea following disagreements over the Government's restrictions on the supply of food and fuel to them. Meanwhile, tension remained high on the border with Ethiopia, with extensive military build-ups on both sides.

## Achievements and impact

In 2007, UNHCR ran special projects to prevent and treat malnutrition and malaria and improve health services in the subregion. As a result, acute malnutrition

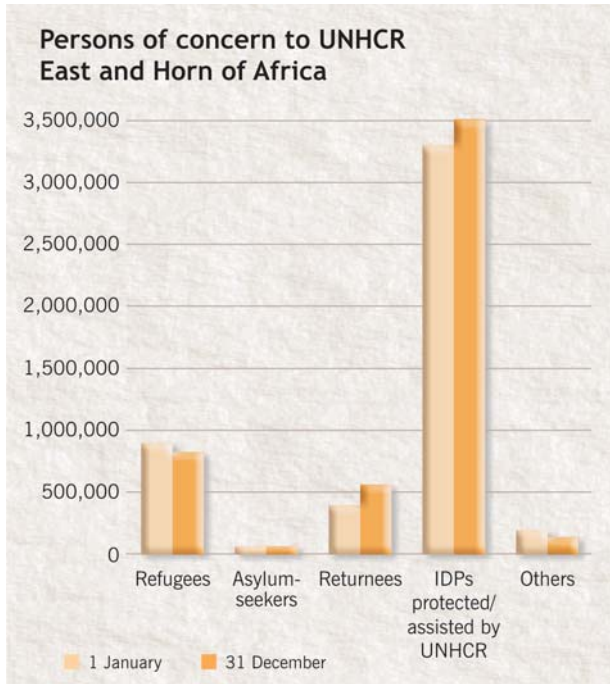
among the camp-based Somali refugees in Kenya was reduced from 22 to 12 per cent; among Sudanese refugees it decreased from 16 to 9 per cent. The new projects also strengthened early warning, surveillance and health information systems.

In Djibouti, a Tripartite Repatriation Agreement between the Government of Djibouti, the *Somaliland* authorities and UNHCR paved the way for the voluntary return of some 1,800 refugees to *Somaliland*. UNHCR supervised and facilitated the operation, and provided the returnees with reintegration assistance packages.

Following the enactment of the Refugee Act, the Government of Kenya appointed a Commissioner to lead the newly established Department of Refugee Affairs and act as UNHCR's main national counterpart in Kenya.

In Uganda, UNHCR began training of government officials to strengthen their capacity to manage refugee protection and assistance activities.

In central Somalia, UNHCR established an international presence in Galkacyo, the provincial capital of the Mudug region, *Puntland*, to improve its ability to monitor protection and provide assistance to some 100,000 IDPs.



## Constraints

The deteriorating political and security situation was a major hindrance to humanitarian operations in south and central Somalia. Armed conflicts made it extremely difficult to monitor protection and assistance of IDPs in most parts of the country.

Programmes for protracted refugee situations in the subregion faced funding constraints which made it difficult to maintain minimum standards of assistance. Self-reliance and livelihood support programmes were significantly reduced on 2007.

In *Puntland*, irregular and mixed migratory movements, and the human trafficking of individuals from Ethiopia and Somalia created protection challenges for those seeking to cross the Gulf of Aden.



Sudanese reproductive health motivators discuss issues around reproductive health and HIV and AIDS in Kakuma refugee camp, Kenya.

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## Operations

UNHCR operations in **Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia** and **Uganda** are described in separate chapters.

While repatriation was a priority for countries hosting refugees in 2007, the rehabilitation of refugee-impacted and hosting areas also became a priority. Governments and communities have demanded that UNHCR rehabilitate refugee sites, clean-up and redress environmental damage and renovate local infrastructure prior to handing them over for community use.

## The Regional Support Hub (RSH)

The Regional Support Hub in Nairobi provided technical support to some 12 countries in the East and Horn of Africa and the Great Lakes region. Functional units supported programmes covering registration, resettlement, HIV and AIDS prevention, public health, staff safety, supply chain management and women and children. It also represented UNHCR in various subregional humanitarian forums in Nairobi.

The regional hub was supported by 26 international staff, 19 national staff and four experts from the International Catholic Migration Commission. Regional officers aligned their work with the priorities of countries in the region. Overall, UNHCR focused on strengthening the inter-agency response to IDP protection, emergency shelter, and camp coordination and camp management by participating in inter-agency cluster meetings and harmonizing data.

## The African Union Liaison Unit in Addis Ababa

UNHCR worked closely with the AU, the Inter-Governmental Agency for Development (IGAD), and governing bodies of the African Development Bank and the Economic Commission for Africa. The Office engaged with member States to ensure that critical issues concerning refugees, returnees and IDPs were addressed at policy meetings. UNHCR also facilitated visits by AU officials to refugee and IDP camps in the subregion. The Regional Liaison Representative in Addis Ababa was UNHCR's main interlocutor with the AU.

The Office helped the AU prepare for its Convention on Internally Displaced Persons, which has the potential to be as significant as the 1969 OAU Refugee Convention. UNHCR offered technical support and advice during the drafting process. UNHCR also assisted the AU to set up mechanisms to implement the AU Policy Framework on Post Conflict Reconstruction and Development. The Framework is designed to help countries emerging from conflict by

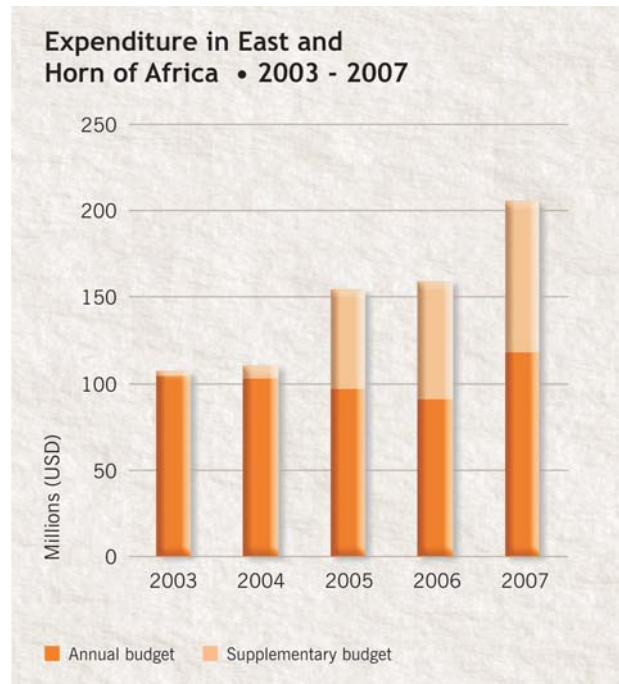
consolidating peace, supporting reconstruction and enhancing coordination between humanitarian actors. UNHCR also helped the AU prepare for its first Special Summit on Refugees, Returnees and IDPs, which will take place in November 2008.

## Financial information

The year 2007 saw increases of the approved budget, due mainly to emergencies arising from the Somalia situation and the allocation of additional funds to address sexual and gender-based violence, malnutrition and malaria. Funds were reallocated throughout the sub-region to maintain essential services for refugees.

UNHCR's expenditure in the East and Horn of Africa (excluding the Sudan programme) rose from USD 87 million in 2002 to USD 142 million in 2007. The largest proportion of expenditure went towards health care, education and programme support. Supplementary appropriations supported UNHCR's

greater engagement with IDPs, particularly in Uganda and Somalia.



Budget and expenditure (USD)						
Country	Final budget			Expenditure		
	Annual budget	Supplementary budget <sup>1</sup>	Total	Annual budget	Supplementary budget	Total
Djibouti	3,517,403	350,000	3,867,403	3,137,465	16,151	3,153,616
Eritrea	4,146,993	0	4,146,993	3,910,318	0	3,910,318
Ethiopia	19,570,035	6,783,629	26,353,664	19,120,712	6,230,163	25,350,875
Kenya <sup>2</sup>	49,855,141	5,497,554	55,352,695	49,262,169	4,272,250	53,534,420
Somalia	6,393,775	10,934,895	17,328,670	6,367,327	6,209,385	12,576,711
Sudan	15,839,403	61,504,448	77,343,852	15,336,319	60,243,368	75,579,687
Uganda	21,484,584	13,760,553	35,245,137	20,460,071	11,941,969	32,402,040
Regional activities <sup>3</sup>	185,000	0	185,000	81,150	0	81,150
<b>Total</b>	<b>120,992,335</b>	<b>98,831,079</b>	<b>219,823,415</b>	<b>117,675,531</b>	<b>88,913,284</b>	<b>206,588,816</b>

<sup>1</sup> Excludes a seven per cent support cost that is recovered from contributions to meet indirect costs for UNHCR.

<sup>2</sup> Includes the Regional Support Hub in Nairobi.

<sup>3</sup> Includes individual voluntary repatriation and intervention for malnutrition and malaria.

Restricted voluntary contributions (USD)			
Earmarking	Donor	Annual budget	Supplementary budget
East and Horn of Africa	Canada	2,118,644	0
	Denmark	4,142,350	0
	Finland	6,473,959	0
	Sweden	7,423,581	0
	<b>Sub-total</b>		<b>20,158,534</b>
Djibouti	United States	28,656	93,000
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>28,656</b>	<b>93,000</b>
Eritrea	CERF	399,986	0
	United Kingdom	1,207,243	0
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>1,607,229</b>	<b>0</b>

Earmarking	Donor	Annual budget	Supplementary budget	
Ethiopia	Australia for UNHCR	299,706	0	
	CERF	975,000	1,028,720	
	<i>Deutsche Stiftung für UNO-Flüchtlingshilfe E.V.</i>	0	181,761	
	<i>España con ACNUR</i>	0	41,783	
	Germany	1,101,302	81,684	
	Greece	68,399	0	
	Italy	1,367,989	137,168	
	Japan	1,000,000	0	
	OPEC Fund for International Development	40,000	0	
	Private donors in Canada	30,000	0	
	UN Trust Fund for Human Security	128,250	0	
	United States	3,972,151	1,069,500	
		<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>8,982,797</b>	<b>2,540,616</b>
	Kenya	Australia for UNHCR	434,968	0
CERF		1,810,972	1,319,356	
Czech Republic		106,879	0	
<i>Deutsche Stiftung für UNO-Flüchtlingshilfe E.V.</i>		215,798	0	
<i>España con ACNUR</i>		316,098	0	
European Commission		1,973,684	0	
France		272,374	0	
Germany		2,775,592	188,120	
Great Lakes Initiative on HIV/AIDS (GLIA)		104,291	0	
Holy See		17,273	0	
International Women's Tribune Centre		29,757	0	
Italy		1,025,992	0	
Japan		1,000,000	0	
Japan Association for UNHCR		112,424	0	
New Zealand		438,500	0	
Nike Inc. (USA)		72,000	0	
Norway		116,641	0	
Online donations (Headquarters)		400	0	
OPEC Fund for International Development		30,000	0	
Private donors in Canada		50,000	0	
Private donors in Greece		26,550	0	
Switzerland		123,468	0	
UNAIDS		254,336	0	
United Kingdom		557,402	0	
United States		8,249,521	883,500	
		<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>20,114,918</b>	<b>2,390,976</b>
Somalia		Australia for UNHCR	0	37,527
	CERF	0	934,588	
	<i>España con ACNUR</i>	1,702	61,048	
	France	0	96,498	
	Germany	1,333,333	310,000	
	Ireland	479,351	445,796	
	Islamic, Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization	5,000	0	
	Italy	648,415	125,000	
	Japan	500,000	0	
	Luxembourg	662,252	0	
	Netherlands	475,200	1,510,134	
	New Zealand	0	232,500	
	Norway	0	1,720,282	
	Private donors in Italy	152,195	250,395	
	Spain	0	134,006	
	Sweden	582,242	666,189	
	United Kingdom	24,750	0	
	United States	909,241	2,772,709	
		<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>5,773,680</b>	<b>9,296,673</b>

Earmarking	Donor	Annual budget	Supplementary budget
Sudan	Australia for UNHCR	2,287	0
	Belgium	0	942,568
	Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (USA)	0	3,720,000
	Canada	0	2,618,320
	CERF	0	2,594,821
	Common Humanitarian Fund for Sudan	52,000	9,337,258
	Denmark	0	2,542,328
	<i>Deutsche Stiftung für UNO-Flüchtlingshilfe E.V.</i>	0	125,492
	Dutch Postcode Lottery (NPL)	0	1,333,333
	<i>España con ACNUR</i>	780	738,184
	Estonia	0	40,655
	European Commission	0	3,276,148
	Florindon Foundation (Switzerland)	0	98,684
	Germany	1,366,120	1,365,717
	Holy See	17,273	64,255
	Ireland	460,526	521,700
	Italy	0	625,000
	Japan	3,000,000	3,732,544
	Japan Association for UNHCR	34,676	61,192
	Luxembourg	2,051,984	0
	Monaco	0	108,089
	Norway	0	1,700,183
	Private donors in Canada	27,209	0
	Private donors in Italy	264,544	239,001
	Shinnyo-en Foundation (Japan)	0	46,500
	Spain	0	478,762
	Sweden	1,455,604	0
	Switzerland	0	859,945
	UNAIDS	0	80,000
	United Nations Mission in Sudan	0	10,202
	United States	2,279,557	5,225,463
	USA for UNHCR	0	352,083
	<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>11,012,559</b>	<b>42,838,428</b>
Uganda	Australia for UNHCR	12,638	0
	Austria	589,971	0
	Canada	0	160,345
	CERF	0	297,791
	<i>Deutsche Stiftung für UNO-Flüchtlingshilfe E.V.</i>	442,286	0
	<i>España con ACNUR</i>	64,190	0
	European Commission	0	1,715,059
	France	64,851	60,311
	Germany	1,026,757	0
	Great Lakes Initiative on HIV/AIDS (GLIA)	264,242	0
	Holy See	17,273	0
	Japan	1,000,000	0
	Japan Association for UNHCR	5,345	0
	Luxembourg	737,463	0
	Netherlands	765,700	436,449
	Norway	602,965	2,188,235
	OPEC Fund for International Development	150,000	0
	Private donors in Italy	807,563	0
	Private donors in Greece	43,634	0
	Spain	0	88,531
	Sweden	0	1,328,571
	United States	3,197,021	1,464,533
		<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>9,791,898</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>77,470,270</b>	<b>64,899,519</b>

Note: Contributions shown exclude indirect support costs that are recovered from contributions against supplementary programmes and the "New or additional activities - mandate related" (NAM) Reserve.