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WFP News Video:

Humanitarian Convoys Reach Last Two Besieged Areas in Syria With Food and Other Emergency Supplies

Locations: Zamalka and Arbin, Syria

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Humanitarian convoy carrying life-saving food assistance for 20,000 people, special nutritional foods for children and other emergency supplies including water, medicine, hygiene kits and kitchen sets.

Arbin and Zamalka were the last two besieged areas yet to be reached this year. The UN and its partners have now been able to access all 18 besieged locations in Syria through cross line operations and airdrops. However, access cannot be one-off and WFP continues to call for unconditional, unimpeded and sustained access to the 5.47 million people hard-to-reach locations in need, including the close to 600,000 people in 18 besieged locations.

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Destruction in Arbin and Zamalka.

:42-1:02

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Offloading at community warehouse.

1:02-1:31

Shot 1 July 2016

SOT Jakob Kern(English), WFP Syria Country Director

"Now we are trying to go back to the other ones again and asking for unhindered access to all areas to all Syrians in need inside the country, and we are doing this by air, by land, in Deir Ezzor we are dropping it from high altitude, In the east in Hasakah we are doing it via airlift. As such last month in June we reached more



than 4 million people with a full monthly ration for the first time since the emergency started."

1:31-1:41 Shot 29 June 2016Convoy in Zamalka.

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- WFP delivered food for the first time since 2012 to the besieged towns of Zamalka and Arbin, near Damascus, as part of a joint UN, ICRC and Syrian Arab Red Crescent (SARC) convoy. With the successful completion of this convoy, the UN has now reached all 18 besieged areas in Syria.
- WFP continues to call for unconditional, unimpeded and sustained access to all people in need across Syria, including close to 600,000 people in 18 besieged locations because one-off, sporadic convoys cannot bring sustainable relief to families in need.
- WFP and humanitarian partners urge all parties to allow immediate humanitarian access to the besieged towns of Zabadani, Foua, Madaya and Kefraya where 62,000 people, mostly women and children, are in dire need of food and humanitarian assistance. The UN last delivered assistance to these people at the end of April and supplies are running dangerously low.
- High altitude airdrops are continuing to the eastern city of Deir Ezzor, where WFP has carried out 63 airdrops since 10 April, dropping more than 1,000 metric tons of food assistance. The quantities dropped so far have been sufficient to provide all estimated 110,000 people with one ration of 41 kg and airdrops are still ongoing delivering for a second round of distributions.
- There are approximately 5.47 million people in need in besieged and hard-toreach areas in Syria including close to 600,000 people in besieged areas

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