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WFP News Video: Syria Idlib

Location: Idlib, Syria/Rome, Italy. Shot: June 13, 14, 16<sup>th</sup> 2019

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### **Shotlist**

:00-:08

Explosions in the southern part of Idlib. **Tarmalah, south Idlib, Syria** 

**Shot: 5 June 2019** 

:09-:19

Homes destroyed by fighting

Maaret Hurma, south Idlib, Syria

**Shot: 5 June 2019** 

:19-:37

Afamiya camp; distribution of WFP emergency food rations to newly displaced families. The food ratio contains ready-to-eat food and canned meals that can be eaten without need of cooking.

Afamiya camp, Kafr Lusin village, north Idlib, Syria

Shot: 13 June 2019

:37-01:03

SOT, Rasha, (Arabic)

Rasha and her family are displaced from Al Madiq village, northern Hama

"After we lost our home and our land, we now have nothing. Not even a shelter... We only want a tent."

Afamiya camp, Kafr Lusin village, north Idlib, Syria

Shot: 13 June 2019

01:03-01:07

Rasha's family

Afamiya camp, Kafr Lusin village, north Idlib, Syria

Shot: 13 June 2019

01:07-1:24

**SOT Corinne Fleischer, WFP Syria Country Director (English)** 

"WFP is racing against the clock to support all people with ready-to-eat food that doesn't have to be cooked, in the camps and wherever they are. While we continue our regular operation and scaling it up to some 800,000 people every month."

Rome, Italy

Shot: 14 June 2019

01:24 -01:30

Aerial Al-Fath Al Mubeen camp, in Atameh village north of Idlib.

Atameh village, north Idlib, Syria

Shot: 16 June 2019

01:30-01:46

**SOT Corinne Fleischer**, WFP Syria Country Director (English)



"We are calling actually on all the parties to the conflict to stop this war and definitely to protect civilian life, to protect the infrastructure, and guarantee our access to wherever we have to go to support these people."

Rome, Italy

Shot: 14 June 2019

### 01:46-01:56

Families and children displaced from the south of Idlib, taking all their belongings on trucks and heading north to camps.

Idlib, Svria

Shot: 13 June 2019

#### **ENDS**

# **Key Messages**

 Eight years of war in Syria have pushed millions of Syrians into hunger and poverty. The conflict has also displaced millions both inside and outside Syria.
 While many are returning to their homes, many others remain displaced and need support.

There are 6.2 million Syrians displaced inside Syria, most of whom have lost their assets and jobs. Those returning to their homes after escaping conflict face tremendous challenges to restart their lives. Food assistance helps local economies, reducing tensions with host communities. Despite challenges inside Syria, WFP assists more than 3 million people every month.

- As fighting has escalated in recent weeks in north-western Syrian, WFP has responded to the needs of those who have been displaced from their homes. Since mid-April, the latest fighting has forced more than 300,000 people to flee their homes, most of them seeking shelter in camps in north Idlib. WFP has managed to reach 200,000 recently-displaced people with emergency food assistance and plans to increase its cross-border deliveries to provide monthly food rations to more than 800,000 people across the northwest.
- No child should go hungry. WFP is providing food to more than 600,000 schoolchildren, creating an incentive for parents to send their children to school.

Syrian children have suffered terribly in the war and more than 1.7 million are out of school. Every meal taken at school is one less meal needed at home. WFP school meals help children thrive while providing a boost for their families.

Syrians returning to their country and communities need support – and they need to work. WFP is helping Syrians produce their own food and generate an income in areas that are secure and where commerce is functioning.
 Poverty is on the rise in Syria, affecting 75 percent of the Syrian population.
 Unemployment is running at 50 percent and is as high as 80 among young people. Some 400,000 people are benefitting from WFP's livelihoods activities in food production and vocational training. WFP is helping people in rural areas to rehabilitate community assets such as damaged irrigation systems.

# Northwest, Idlib:



- Fighting in southern Idlib and northern Hama that began late April and continued through Ramadan has displaced more than 300,000 people. WFP has provided emergency food assistance (ready-to-eat rations) to 200,000 of these people. Meanwhile, WFP is scaling up its deliveries of monthly food assistance to reach a total of more than 800,000 people across the northwest, including those recently displaced.
- Fighting in north Hama and south Idlib has prompted WFP and its partners to shift food distributions to safer areas further north, with reports of population movements towards the north away from towns and villages on the frontlines of the conflict in north Hama and south Idlib.
- · In anticipation of further displacement, WFP has prepositioned enough ready-to-eat rations for nearly 190,000 people on the move.

<u>WFP Syria Crisis in Numbers</u>: data from sources incl. <u>2019 Humanitarian Needs</u> <u>Overview</u>

People in need of humanitarian assistance	11.7 million
People who are food-insecure inside Syria million	6.5
Internally displaced people (IDPs) million	6.2
People living in extreme poverty     population	75% of
· Syrian refugees registered with UNHCR in region	5.6 million
· People in Syria who received WFP food in May	3.3 million
Funding required by WFP until November 2019	US\$ 195 million

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