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**WFP SCALES UP FOOD DELIVERY IN SYRIA TO RAQQA GOVERNORATE  
THROUGH NEW LAND ACCESS**

**Shot: 02-07, July17**

**Locations: Northeastern SYRIA**

**TRT: 2:45**

**Shotlist:**

**:00-:10**

GV's Aqtan Camp(40KM north of Raqqa)

1300 families mostly from Raqqa are staying here where the temperature these days reach 50°C (122°F). The dusty wind makes conditions worse.

**Aqtan Camp, Syria**

**Shot: 04July17**

**:10-:27**

**SOT Abo Ismael, a farmer from Raqqa (Arabic)**

*"Da'esh destroyed my house, took my documents, my sheep, 50 hens, they took everything."*

**Aqtan Camp, Syria**

**Shot: 04July17**

**:27-:42**

Set Up: Abo Nasha'at' family from Mansoura in Raqqa. His wife, Um Nasha'at cooking a meal with WFP food..

**Aqtan Camp, Syria**

**Shot: 04July17**

**:42-:59**

**SOT - Abo Nasha'at, state worker, escaped with his wife and 7 children**

*"I am from Mansoura, the shelling didn't stop and Daesh(ISIS) wouldn't let us leave. There was no food, no bread, no drinking water, absolutely nothing."*

**Aqtan Camp, Syria**

**Shot: 04July17**

**:59-1:09**

Children collecting drinking water from cisterns. Water for washing and drinking is in very scarce supply.

**Aqtan Camp, Syria**

**Shot: 04July17**

**1:09-1:14**

**SOT - Um Khaled from Raqqa**

*"The weather is so hot it feels like the tent is on fire. The drinking water is also hot."*

**Mabrouka Camp, Syria**

**Shot: 06July17**

**1:14-1:34**

Al Howl Camp was originally established to receive Iraqi refugees during the Iraqi war in 2003 and was closed later in 2010. Due to the military operations in the Sinjar/Mosul governorate in Iraq, the camp was reopened again in mid-2016. It currently hosts 22000 Iraqi refugee in addition to 1000 displaced Syrians.

Though the battle for Mosul has ended, extensive damage to homes and essential infrastructure has left thousands of displaced families with nothing to return to and in continued need of emergency food assistance to survive

The footage shows a distribution of WFP food rations of Rice, Bulgur wheat, Chickpeas, Lentils, Vegetable Oil, Sugar, Iodized salt as well as hygiene kits, diapers, cleaning supplies etc. provided by UNICEF and IOM.

### **Al Howl Camp**

**Shot:05 July 2017**

**1:34-1:54**

WFP fortified wheat flour arrival by land from Aleppo via Manbij in Qamishli city. This is the first wheat flour delivery by land since 2014. WFP sent 5 trucks loaded with 50 MT of fortified wheat flour bags each, a total of 250 MT using the road from Aleppo via Manbij to Qamishli.

### **Qamishli city**

**Shot:07 July 2017**

**1:54-2:25**

### **SOT - Jakob Kern, WFP Syria Country Director (English)**

*“We didn’t have access by road since 2015 and this allows us now to support 250,000 people with life-saving food assistance every month it also allows us to support the internally displaced people from Raqqa city this road access replaces an air bridge that we operated for a year now. And of course the cost savings are significant with the savings we can support 100,000 more people every year.”*

### **Damascus**

**Shot:02 July 2017**

**2:25-2:45**

Um Jassim cooking Okra with tomato stew to be served with WFP rice and pasta, in the footage her grandsons eating some of the stew.

**Al Howl Camp**

**Shot:05 July 2017**

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## **WFP News Release**

12 July 2017

### **WFP SCALES UP FOOD DELIVERY IN SYRIA TO RAQQA GOVERNORATE THROUGH NEW LAND ACCESS**

**DAMASCUS** – The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) has reached two new locations in Raqqa governorate with food assistance, using a newly opened land route that has allowed access for the first time in three years to Mansoura and other rural areas north of Raqqa city.

This new access allows WFP to expand its regular food deliveries to Raqqa. WFP is now delivering food every month to nearly 200,000 people, displaced in eight hard-to-reach locations inside Raqqa governorate as well as other areas in neighbouring governorates. Since June, WFP has dispatched 52 trucks carrying food assistance for these locations.

Prior to the re-opening of the road that links Aleppo to Hasakeh -- the western and eastern parts of Syria, WFP operated an airlift to deliver life-saving food assistance

from Damascus airport to Qamishli to reach those in need in Hasakeh, Raqqa and Deir Ezzor governorates.

“Land access is always the best option for WFP to reach Syrians in need of assistance. Replacing airlifts with road deliveries will save an estimated US\$19 million per year, as each truck on the road carries the equivalent of a planeload of food at a significantly lower cost,” said Jakob Kern, WFP Representative and Country Director in Syria. “With these cost savings and improved access, we are now reaching more families and people returning to their homes who need our help with regular food deliveries.”

An example of the areas WFP can now reach by road is the city of Tabqa, in Raqqa, where WFP this month was able to double the number of people in need it reached, delivering monthly food rations to 25,000 people, many of whom have returned to their original homes and are now working to rebuild their lives.

WFP distributes monthly food and nutrition supplies through its local partners working in Tabqa, Mansoura, rural areas north of Raqqa city, Ain Issa, Journiyeh, Tal Abyad, Al-Karama and Suluk in Raqqa governorate as well as Abu Khashab and Mabrouka camp in the nearby governorates of Deir Ezzor and Hassakeh – both of which host displaced people from Raqqa.

Most of Raqqa was taken over by ISIS in 2014. WFP was able to reach parts of the governorate in March this year for the first time since July 2015.

Country-wide, WFP delivers food assistance every month to four million people across all of Syria’s 14 governorates. In addition to its emergency operation, WFP is also scaling up support for long-term recovery by focusing on livelihoods, nutrition, and improving access to primary education for children in Syria by providing school meals.

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