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WFP News Video

Location: Homs, Syria

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WFP food distribution

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SOT Matthew Hollingworth WFP Syria Country Director

"We managed to get food assistance in to old Homs to feed 2,500 people for a month. Is it enough? We don't believe it, but it is something. It certainly is..is a major step forward, for people who are living in unbelievable levels of deprivation."

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Offloading WFP food

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WFP food distribution in Homs:

- The amount of food that was sent in was enough food to feed almost 1000 people for a month.
- Total Amount of food sent in to Old Homs (as of yesterday): enough for 2,550 people for one month. (About 500 family food parcels, plus almost about 6,200 kg of wheat flour).
- Logistics: Yesterday it was agreed that no more trucks would be used to deliver the food. So, WFP's logistics team brought in trailers that they hooked up to our armoured SUVs and towed in to the Old City of Homs.

-People coming out are very weak and thin and signs of malnutrition are very obvious (elderly, women and children only)

-Many people said they have not eaten bread in over 5 months and were living off of leaves and grass and olives, basically whatever they could find

-Everyone is asking for food and medical care

-Almost no food left inside the Old City except for some small amounts of bulgur, which is infested with insects

-Reports indicate that the situation for people trapped inside the Old City is extremely desperate and dire