WFP News Video

WFP RESUMES FEEDING DISPLACED FAMILIES AT BANGUI AIRPORT IN CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

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Central African Republic (CAR)
Shot: 7-8Jan2014, 24Dec2013
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:00-:19
Bangui Airport
Shot: 8Jan2014
WFP distributing rice beans and oil to families at Bangui International Airport where an estimated 100,000 people have sought refuge. The food distributions resumed after a three-week break because of insecurity at the site.

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SOT Denise Brown, Reg. Director WFP West Africa
Shot: 9Jan, 2014
Dakar, Senegal
“The entire humanitarian community has come together in Bangui to deliver much needed assistance to the displaced people at the international airport. Previous attempts to deliver food and non food items have failed because of insecurity”

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Bangui Airport
Shot: 7Jan2014
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01:06-01:20
SOT Denise Brown, Reg. Director WFP West Africa
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Dakar, Senegal
“It is on-going and we absolutely need to reach all people at the airport. At the same time, our distributions to the entire displaced community in Bangui continue to all groups of people who are in need of assistance”
Storyline:

The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) is providing food assistance to the displaced in Bangui and several other locations in the northwest of the country. WFP has provided food for more than 250,000 people in CAR since violence intensified on 5 December.

WFP is distributing food to families at Bangui International Airport where an estimated 100,000 people have sought refuge. The food distributions resumed after a three-week break because of insecurity at the site.

The distributions resumed on Tuesday without incident and continued on Wednesday and Thursday. On the first two days, WFP has distributed food rations to close to 10,000 people. WFP and its partners plan to provide food to all the displaced at the airport over a 10-day period.

In CAR as elsewhere, WFP provides food assistance on the basis of need, irrespective of race, religion and ethnicity. The agency urges all parties to the conflict in CAR to provide safe access to humanitarian workers and supplies to all people who are in need of assistance wherever they are.

WFP has appealed for nearly US$107 million to scale up food distributions in CAR to assist up to 1.25 million people from January through August as growing numbers go hungry. Unless funds are forthcoming swiftly, food supplies in CAR will run short in February.

WFP is the world’s largest humanitarian agency fighting hunger worldwide. Last year, WFP reached more than 97 million people in 80 countries with food assistance.

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