



## UNDAC MISSION - SAMOA

Cluster Coordination Meeting  
Sunday, 4 October 2009

Detailed below are summary notes from this morning's Cluster Coordination meeting.

<p><b>WASH</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministry of Health currently conducting an assessment of the affected area – should be completed by end of Tuesday</li> <li>• Oxfam / Red Cross joining the assessment process</li> <li>• Anticipated that the assessment findings will be forwarded to the NDMO</li> <li>• Need to follow up on sanitation requirements</li> <li>• Might be gaps in defining solutions to the current needs</li> <li>• Urgent need for family water storage options</li> <li>• Limited soap and menstrual supplies</li> <li>• Sanitation to be determined by reconstruction needs</li> <li>• Bi-lateral and other donor agencies invited to attend cluster meeting</li> <li>• No requirement for new humanitarian needs assessment</li> </ul>	<p>UNDAC to follow up</p> <p>UNDAC to advise NDMO</p>
<p><b>EARLY RECOVERY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resident Coordinator has met with the CEO – Min of Environment and National Disaster Management Office</li> <li>• Request for early recovery assessment / review – to be lead by Deputy-CEO, Ministry of Finance</li> <li>• Government looking for guidance on the assessment / review methodology</li> <li>• Anticipate to have a recovery plan format by the end of the week</li> <li>• Recognise the need to align planning with current early recovery initiatives under-way or agreed to by partner agencies</li> <li>• Need to consider issues of risk reduction and the possibility of community relocation</li> <li>• UNOHCHR to link to early recovery planning for protection issues</li> <li>• Sub-cluster to be established within Early Recovery to address food security / agricultural / fisheries issues</li> </ul>	<p>UNDP to follow up with Australia / NZ governments</p>
<p><b>HEALTH</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministry of Health leading health response</li> <li>• There is a volume of good assessment data but no capacity to collate and analyse it.</li> </ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WHO mobilising an expert to support Ministry of Health information management</li> <li>• No requirement for acute medical personnel – well catered for under bi-lateral arrangements</li> <li>• Foreign councillors not required</li> <li>• Some specialist needs to be supported by WHO</li> <li>• Cluster will engage with nutritional advice</li> <li>• Recommend to promote health and hygiene advice over the radio</li> <li>• Do not require a humanitarian needs assessment</li> <li>• Considering a food basket monitoring survey</li> </ul>	<p>WHO to report back once in country</p>
<p><b>EDUCATION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Department of Education meeting on Tuesday with various agencies and Government Departments – Save The Children will be in attendance</li> <li>• Reports indicate that damage is mainly in 2 Regions and affecting 5 schools – locations not currently known</li> <li>• Other schools should be open on Monday 5 October</li> <li>• Psychosocial requirements have been reported – need to link in with the Health cluster</li> <li>• Schools have WASH requirements as a result of displaced children – assistance / support likely</li> <li>• EU funded sanitation team in country can be tasked to support school WASH requirements</li> <li>• Do not require a humanitarian needs assessment</li> </ul>	<p>STC to report back</p> <p>Health / Education to follow up</p> <p>WASH / Education to follow up</p>
<p><b>PROTECTION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have a sense that there are some possible inequities with the distribution of aid to some affected communities</li> <li>• Aware that an organisation is bringing isolated / orphaned children up from the coast to Apia – need to find out who is managing this process and where the children are</li> <li>• Multiple assessments not supported</li> <li>• Keen to support Early Recovery review / assessment</li> </ul>	<p>To follow up</p> <p>To follow up</p>
<p><b>INFORMATION</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Still gaps in the information space regarding locations and needs of affected population</li> <li>• Agreement that the information has been or is in the process of being captured.</li> <li>• Agencies to provide UNDAC with any relevant information to be collated and assessed / reported on.</li> <li>• Need to capture information from Ministry of Health survey</li> <li>• Information must be reconciled against existing humanitarian supplies and distribution programmes to address gaps.</li> </ul>	<p>All / UNDAC</p> <p>UNDAC with MOH/Oxfam and Red Cross</p>