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# International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

## Activities Highlights

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525 staff members based in Kyiv, Donetsk, Luhansk, Mariupol, Sievierodonetsk, Sloviansk and Odesa



### Health Care

- 19** primary health care facilities on both sides of the LoC received medications to treat chronic diseases (e.g. diabetes, asthma, hypertension, ischemic heart disease). **Two hospitals** were supported with **medicines and other medical items** to provide medical care to weapon-wounded and sick.
- 1,500** blood bags were donated to a blood bank.
- over 60** teachers, healthcare workers and community leaders in six localities along the LoC were provided with psychosocial support.
- over 50** residents of four localities along the LoC received psychosocial support during 63 group sessions and home visits.
- over 70** people residing along the LoC were trained in basic first aid.
- over 500** persons with disabilities benefited from ICRC societal inclusion programme, which includes donation of walking aids and wheelchairs, and supports a social inclusion campaign.



### Caring for the Dead

- 1** body was transferred across the LoC with ICRC support.
- 2** families were supported to cover funeral expenses.
- 50** forensic practitioners participated in a conference on current challenges of medico-legal system.
- 3** representatives of the National Police and forensic institutions participated in ICRC workshop in Italy on forensic identification of the dead from armed conflicts and catastrophes.
- 38** UAF and Border Guard Service officials were informed about IHL obligations towards the dead.



### Missing

- 158** families of missing persons received cash assistance.
- 18** families of missing persons were provided with psychosocial support.
- 737** cases of missing persons registered with the ICRC since the beginning of the conflict remain active.



### Family Links

- 29** new tracing requests for persons unaccounted for were received.
- 5** tracing requests registered with the ICRC were closed.
- 1** family was supported with transport to reunite with their family member separated as a consequence of the armed conflict.



### Respect for IHL

- 4** representatives of Ukrainian National Commission of IHL visited the German Committee of IHL in Berlin with support from the ICRC, to engage in peer-to-peer dialogue and cooperation.



### Water & Habitat

- over 1.5** km water pipe was constructed to provide residents of a contact line with centralized water supply from existing water network.
- 4** families on both sides of the LoC, whose homes were destroyed due to the conflict, moved in to new houses constructed by the ICRC.
- 200** tons of aluminium sulphate for water treatment were provided for the main water supply and sewage company of the Donetsk region.
- 4** medical facilities were supported with construction materials (cement, bitumen primer, etc.) and rehabilitation works, including restoration of water supply system for Krasnohorivka ambulatory.
- 8** forensic institutions were supported with construction works, construction materials (timber, pipes, plastic doors/windows, insulation wool, etc.) and equipment (air conditioners, cold chambers, radiators, water boilers, etc.).
- 1** autopsy room was renovated in Kostiantynivka morgue.



### Access to Education

- over 1,500** teachers and pupils benefited from improvement of facilities and the installation of anti-blast film in nine schools and kindergartens on both sides of the contact line.
- 27** educational institutions on both sides of the LoC were assisted with essential household items: detergent, dishes and kitchenware, appliances and light bulbs.



### Mine Risk

- over 1,800** children on both sides of the LoC improved their knowledge of mine/ERW risks as a result of 24 theatrical performances.
- 550** people on both sides of the LoC improved their knowledge of mine/ERW risks during 45 information sessions, including those conducted in cooperation with the URCS.
- 5,000** mine risk education posters and leaflets were distributed to people residing along the LoC.
- 28** mine awareness billboards were installed in nine localities along the LoC.
- 15** marking signs were donated for installation near Marinka crossing point.
- 5** URCS volunteers were trained on how to teach safer behaviour and mine/ERW risk awareness.



### Armed & Security Forces

- 63** CIMIC officers, UAF legal advisers and commanders participated in two sessions on IHL and ICRC activities.
- 38** university professors and SSU officers participated in two sessions on international rules and standards for policing and other related topics.



### Economic Security

- around 36,000** people on both sides of the LoC each received 17kg food parcels, which contain buckwheat, rice, pasta, flour, sunflower oil, sugar, canned beef and sardines, tea and yeast.
- around 36,000** people on both sides of the LoC each received hygiene parcels containing essential items such as soap, washing powder and shampoo.
- 6,700** households in 55 localities along the LoC received coal for heating during winter time.
- around 2,500** individuals in GCA received cash for their livestock and farming activities.
- 2,100** households received in-kind support for their livestock and farming activities: fertilizers, fodder, grinding machines, brooders, milk separators, stoves.
- over 70** households were trained on how to tend their livestock and generate income for their household.
- 600** persons in GCA received cash assistance to cover their basic needs.
- over 30** families of persons injured or deceased due to the conflict were provided with cash assistance (GCA).
- 2,000** persons benefited from support provided to 10 social institutions (24 tons of wooden briquettes, blankets, hygiene parcels, etc.).



### Cooperation with the URCS

- almost 2,000** patients residing close to the LoC were assisted by four URCS mobile clinics, with support of the Finnish Red Cross and the ICRC.
- 680** elderly people living alone, including persons with disabilities, on both sides of the LoC, were assisted by 107 Red Cross home-visiting nurses (e.g. help with housekeeping, maintenance of personal hygiene, etc.), supported by the ICRC.
- around 70** Red Cross volunteers participated in the National Volunteers Assembly, organised with support of the ICRC and Danish Red Cross.
- over 30** sets of dressing material and first aid kits were provided to the URCS to support its emergency preparedness capacity.
- about 240** Red Cross volunteers participated in joint distributions of aid, repairation of houses, first aid, psychosocial support, risk awareness and safer behavior programmes.



### Detention

- 122** detainees, including 18 newly registered detainees, were visited by ICRC delegates in 13 places of detention in GCA.
- 51** short oral and written messages were exchanged between detainees and their families.
- 1** set of technical equipment for organization of online learning and one mannequin for training of detention medical workers were provided to Bila Tserkva education center for penitentiary staff.

Acronyms: ERW — explosive remnants of war; CIMIC — Civil-Military Cooperation of the Armed Forces of Ukraine; GCA — Government Controlled Areas; NGCA — Non-Government Controlled Areas; LoC — line of contact; IHL — international humanitarian law; SSU — Security Service of Ukraine; UAF — Ukrainian Armed Forces; URCS — Ukrainian Red Cross Society.

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