

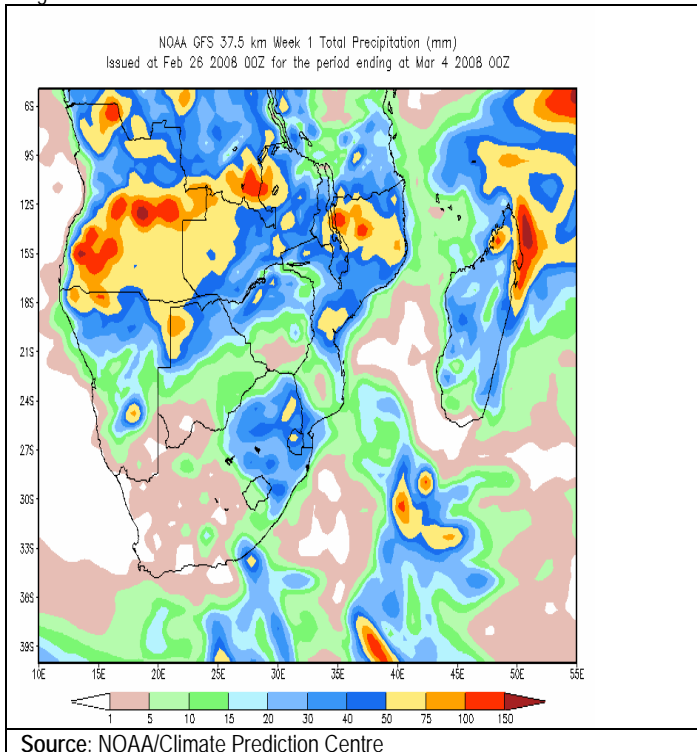


Situation Report 9 – SOUTHERN AFRICA FLOODS – 29 FEBRUARY 2008

CONTEXT

1. Precipitation in the coming weeks is expected to be high in the northern parts of Namibia, central and southern parts of Mozambique and southern parts of Angola. Malawi, Madagascar and Zambia are predicted to receive less rain as compared to the previous week. Overall, rainfall has increased throughout Angola and northern parts of Zambia.

Figure 1.



2. Latest figures show increased numbers of affected persons, particularly in Madagascar as a result of Tropical Cyclone Ivan (Category 4 storm). A total of **576,026** people in nine countries have been affected by adverse weather conditions, as shown in the table below:

Country	Affected Persons	Causes
Angola	75,577	Torrential rain and flooding
Lesotho	4,500	Hailstorms
Madagascar	239,238	Tropical Cyclone Fame and Ivan
Malawi	113,535	Heavy rains, flooding
Mozambique	102,486 (in resettlement centres)	Flooding
Namibia	3,000	Heavy rains, flooding
Swaziland	2,500	Heavy rains, hailstorms
Zambia	20,022	Heavy rains, flooding
Zimbabwe	15,168	Heavy rains, flooding
Total	576,026	

SITUATION OVERVIEW

Madagascar:

3. Following Tropical Cyclone Ivan, which hit the northeastern districts of Marie, Fenerive, Toamasine, Soanierana Ivago, Fioulpointe, Nosy Varika, Andilamena, Mahajanga and Moramanga on 17 February 2008, the Government appealed to the international community on 22 February 2008 to assist in responding to the devastating category 4 cyclone.
4. Around 227,000 people have been affected, including 145,000 people without shelter. So far, 60

deaths have been reported. Additionally, more than 41,000 hectares of rice fields have been flooded, of which 15,000 are in the region of Alaoira Mangoro, yielding 30% of the national rice production.

5. Due to flooding and strong winds, many roads have become inaccessible. Additionally, telecommunications and electricity services have been disrupted.
6. Urgent needs include: food items, tents, seeds, school tents, water purification kits, drugs, construction materials and chainsaws.
7. The government has provided food and non-food items to affected populations on Toamasina I and II districts, the Island of Sainte Marie, and in the capital city of Antananarivo



With winds of up to 230 kilometres per hour, Ivan caused major damage and many casualties, especially in the country's east. (Photo courtesy: IFRC)

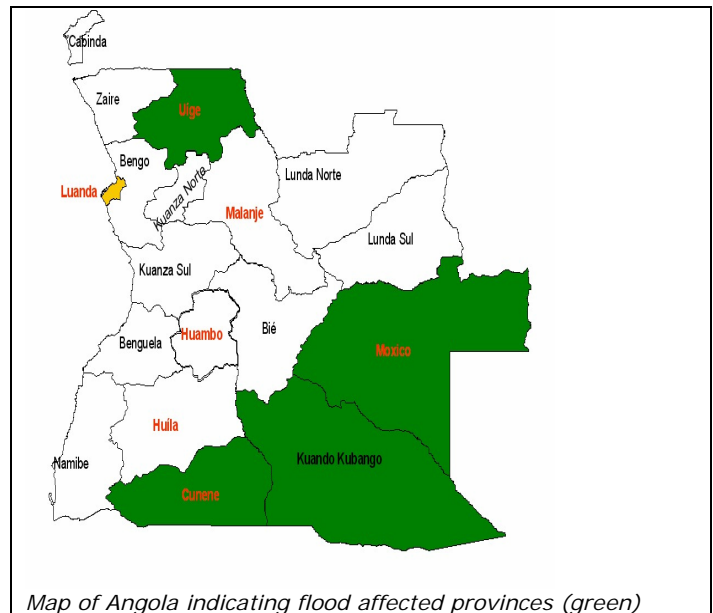
8. In response to the disaster, the US Government has offered 875,000 USD in humanitarian aid, of which 50,000 USD will be given to WFP to finance the rapid delivery of food aid in support of the. CARE will receive another USD 50,000 to support the rehabilitation of roads to access affected communities, in order to deliver humanitarian aid. Among other things, victims will receive 315 plastic sheets (175,000 USD) and 1,000 tons of food aid (600,000 USD).
9. UNICEF is providing learning materials to school children and kitchen utensils to affected families. The Red Cross movement has mobilized resources to provide shelter, medical assistance and treatment of water. CARE will distribute plastic sheets. To mobilize further resources for the response, the international humanitarian community will issue a Flash Appeal.

Angola:

10. Torrential rainfall since early February 2008 has affected 75,577 persons, of which 24,592 have been

displaced. Seven people are reported dead. More than 2,200 cattle have died in the municipalities of Kahama, Ombanja, Coroca and Kwanhama. Livestock breeding is a major source of income for the affected population in these municipalities.

11. The majority of those affected are in Cunene Province, where more than 52,281 persons are affected. 16,094 of those are displaced. Those displaced in Cunene are sheltered in three accommodation centers in Ondjiva town, Kwanhama municipality.
12. In Cuando Kubango, 21,000 people are affected, of which 8,000 are displaced, staying with relatives.
13. The government has not been able to respond adequately to all the needs due to a lack of medical supplies. The Civil Protection Unit is due to conduct an assessment in the coming days.



Map of Angola indicating flood affected provinces (green)

14. A joint MUAC survey has been conducted by the provincial health authorities and UNICEF in one of the largest IDP camps, Feira Agropecuaria. Findings from the survey revealed that the nutrition situation was under control. However, a significant increase of malaria, diarrhea, and respiratory illnesses has been reported since last week.
15. The government has established a coordination team comprised of government authorities, UN agencies and NGOs. While the government, has indicated that it will cover the needs for food, it has urged humanitarian agencies to provide temporary shelter, WASH materials, mosquito nets and essential medicines.

Mozambique:

16. Due to reduced rains during the past week, the water levels in Búzi, Licungo and Save Rivers remained below the flood alert level. In the northern region, localized flooding was reported in Mandimba, Montepuez, Angoche, Macomia and Muidumbe districts in the Cabo Delgado Province. Water levels of the Zambezi, Pungoe, Limpopo and Licungo rivers are expected to stabilise.
17. According to the National Directorate for Water, cyclone Ivan, seriously affecting Madagascar, still lingering in the Mozambique Channel, does not presently pose a major threat to Mozambique, although there is a slight chance it could again gain strength.
18. The Cahora Bassa Dam has decreased its discharge rates from 1,850 to 1,700 cubic meters per second, due to decreased rainfall in Mozambique and in neighbouring countries.
19. Road access continues to be problematic in Tete province, particularly in the areas of Magoé, Mutarara and Zumbo. The Logistics Cluster is facing a shortage of funds, threatening the continuity of air operations. Air operations could cease within one week should no funds be received.
20. As of 26 February, cholera has affected 1,539 persons and resulted in 14 fatalities, in the flood affected districts of Tete and Sofala Provinces. New Cholera Treatment Centers have been set up with support from health partners, including MSF Swiss. Eight out of eleven provinces have reported cholera outbreaks, except Niassa, Nampula and Inhambane districts.

Malawi:

21. Under the leadership of the government Department of Disaster Management Affairs (DoDMA), UN agencies and the Malawi Red Cross conducted assessments during the second week of February in the following districts: Karonga, Rumphu, Nkhatabay, Nkhotakota, Salima, Dedza, Ntcheu, Balaka, Machinga, Mangochi, Zomba, Phalombe, Blantyre, Chikwawa and Nsanje. The latter two are reported to be the worst affected. The mission concluded that 22,707 households (113,535 people) are affected. This includes 5,737 households (28,685 people) displaced and in immediate need of humanitarian assistance. The assessment mission found that 11,138 hectares of crops are damaged. A total of 59 cases of cholera have been reported in Chikwawa; Blantyre, and Mulanje districts for the period 18-24 February 2008. Cumulatively, 852 cholera cases and 13 deaths have been reported from 5 November 2007 to 24 February, 2008 with case fatality rate of 1.5%.

Namibia:

22. The levels of some rivers are stabilizing, while others are still above flood threshold levels. The Kwando River at Kongola has reached 3.55m, the highest recorded since 1981. The Kavango River waters are subsiding in Rundu and Andara, while there have been reports of further heavy rainfall in the upper catchment areas in Angola during the past week. Consequently, further flooding is expected in the coming week. Due to increased water levels in the Hardap Dam, NamWater increased the discharge rate of water to 200 cubic metres per second (m³/s) the next day. The discharged water is expected to reach the Lower Fish River by 27 February 2008.
23. The Government and humanitarian actors will conduct a joint assessment in Oshana, Omusati and Ohangwena regions the northern part of the country, in order to quantify the extent of damage and assess the most critical needs of the affected populations. Key government line departments, Red Cross, WFP, UNICEF and UNDP will participate in the assessment.
24. In the Caprivi area, the towns of Muzii, Nankuntwe and Lalkune are still inaccessible. In the north, the worst affected area is Omusati region where 45 schools are damaged, and 26 clinics are inaccessible as a result of damage to roads and bridges. In Omusati region in the areas of Outapi and Ruacana, many villages are not accessible as the bridge between these areas has been damaged.
25. Since the road network has been severely affected, helicopters have air dropped essential food commodities in Ohangwena and Oshana regions.

Zimbabwe:

26. The meteorological department forecasts isolated rains across the country for the next week. The total rainfall is not expected to be very high.
27. The Save River has decreased its discharge rate to 81.6 m³/s from 1300 m³/s recorded on 29 January 2008. Similarly, other rivers like Pungwe, Mazowe and Limpopo have recorded lower discharge levels when compared to the corresponding period last month.

HUMANITARIAN FUNDING

28. Please see annex on commitments/ contributions received. Please submit information on donor funding received or pledged to have them reflected on the Financial Tracking Services system to Michelle Thulkanam at thulkanam@un.org

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 Table A: List of all commitments/contributions and pledges
 as of 29-February-2008

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Compiled by OCHA on the basis of information provided by donors and appealing organizations.

Donor	Channel	Description	Funding USD	Uncommitted Pledges USD
Austria	WFP	(Mozambique) Food aid (PRRO 10600.0)	295,858	0
Canada	OCHA	(Region) Support to coordination of humanitarian preparedness and response activities	50,352	0
Canada	SC - UK	(Mozambique) Pre-positioning of emergency shelter and education supplies	101,937	0
Canada	WFP	(Mozambique) Augmentation of Logistics Capacity in response to the floods (M-012790)	201,401	0
Canada	MSF	(Mozambique) Emergency response to the floods in Zambezi River Valley, Zambezia Province	251,762	0
Canada	OXFAM	(Mozambique) Provision of water, sanitation hygiene kits and public health promotion in 3 resettlement areas (Nhamaybawe, Charre and Doa of Mutarara District) [M012793]	251,762	0
Canada	IFRC	(Region) Relief distributions, emergency shelter, WASH and logistics (M012760)	407,747	0
Canada	UNICEF	to be allocated to specific country/sector/project (M-012789)	503,525	0
Central Emergency Response Fund	UNAIDS	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project: Response to critical health needs of floods displaced populations.	38,253	0
Central Emergency Response Fund	UNFPA	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project: Resposne to critical health needs of food displaced populations	50,000	0
Central Emergency Response Fund	WHO	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project	100,000	0
Central Emergency Response Fund	UNICEF	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project: Nutrition support for the flood response in Mozambique	107,000	0
Central Emergency Response Fund	UNICEF	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project: Protection response for the flood response in Mozambique	196,880	0
Central Emergency Response Fund	UNICEF	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project: Response to critical health needs of flood displaced populations	200,000	0
Central Emergency Response Fund	UNICEF	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project: Ensuring access to education as part of the flood response in Mozambique	230,050	0
Central Emergency Response Fund	WHO	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project: Response to critical health needs of flood displaced populations	250,000	0
Central Emergency Response Fund	UNICEF	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project: Water, sanitation and hygiene support for the flood response in Mozambique	500,000	0

* Value of contribution not specified

** Estimated value

Donor	Channel	Description	Funding USD	Uncommitted Pledges USD
Central Emergency Response Fund	IOM	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project: Provision of emergency shelter and non-food items to flood victims in Zambezi Valley and Lower Save in Mozambique.	599,200	0
Central Emergency Response Fund	WFP	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project: Food Assistance for Mozambique Flood Victims	998,323	0
Central Emergency Response Fund	WFP	(Mozambique) CERF rapid response grant to project: Augmentation of logistics capacity in support of the victims of the floods in Mozambique	1,020,541	0
Denmark	UNICEF	to be allocated to specific country/sector/project	0	992,063
Denmark	WFP	(Zambia) Food aid (PRRO 10310.0)	248,016	0
Denmark	WFP	(Mozambique) Food aid (PRRO 10600.0)	248,016	0
Denmark	WFP	(Malawi) Food aid (PRRO 10586.0)	496,023	0
Disaster Relief Emergency Fund	IFRC	(Region) To support the national societies in delivering immediate assistance to some 16,400 beneficiaries	983,011	0
France	CVM	(Mozambique) in kind - 200 family tents, 500 cooking kits and 11,000 mosquito nets, as well logistic support for the CVM emergency operations.	0	399,408
Germany	WFP	(Mozambique) Food aid	0	1,035,503
Germany	GAA	(Mozambique) Early recovery for vulnerable households in Chinde District	50,000	0
Germany	Bilateral (government to government)	(Zambia) Sanitation, food-supplies (VN05 ZMB 01/08)	74,503	0
Germany	GAA	(Mozambique)Provision of basic shelter conditions in most isolated flood-affected areas	393,787	0
Ireland	Concern Universal	(Mozambique) Emergency Preparedness Planning (CONU 08 01)	118,713	0
Italy	WFP	(Mozambique) Food aid	0	10,355
Italy	WFP	(Zambia) Urgent humanitarian assistance for the population in Zambia (PRRO 10310.0)	0	147,929
Italy	OCHA	(Mozambique) To assist affected population (In-kind)	56,213	0
Italy	WFP	(Mozambique) Furnish alimentary assistance under the programme named WFP Operation PRRO Mozambique 10600.0; to urgent humanitarian assistance for the population in Mozambique, struck by the damages of the recent floods.	288,184	0
Spain	Bilateral (government to government)	(Mozambique) Initial emergency assistance to affected population - 500 tents (6 people each), 50 water tanks for drinkable water with a capacity of 5.000 liters each; funds to hire around 60-70 hours of helicopter flights	342,566	0

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Donor	Channel	Description	Funding USD	Uncommitted Pledges USD
Spain	WFP	(Mozambique) Emergency food support to flood affected population	728,863	0
Sweden	SRSA	(Mozambique) Support to air movement officer through WFP	46,611	0
Sweden	SRSA	(Mozambique) Support for a logisticer through WFP	47,893	0
Sweden	SRSA	(Region) Information Management Officer through OCHA	70,435	0
Sweden	Diakonia, Sweden	(Mozambique) Humanitarian support to people affected by the floods	137,426	0
Sweden	MSF	(Mozambique) Humanitarian support to people affected by the floods	148,109	0
Sweden	Church of Sweden	(Mozambique) Humanitarian support to people affected by the floods	187,627	0
Sweden	MSF	8Mozambique) Humanitarian assistance	308,166	0
Sweden	SRSA	(Mozambique) Humanitarian support to people affected by the floods	309,831	0
Sweden	RC/Sweden	(Region) Humanitarian support to people affected by the floods	310,970	0
UNICEF National Committee/Netherlands	UNICEF	(Mozambique) Ensuring access to improved watsan for flood-affected population	116,618	0
UNICEF National Committee/United Kingdom	UNICEF	(Mozambique) Addressing Malnutrition in Flood-affected Areas through Nutrition Surveillance, Selective Feeding and Nutrition Education, Counselling and Support	149,105	0
United Kingdom	SC - UK	(Mozambique) Provide emergency kits for up to 2,000 families. The kits include blankets and plastic sheeting for shelter and cooking pots, water containers and soap	194,183	0
United States of America	IRD	(Mozambique) For water, sanitation, and hygiene activities in Chinde and Morrumbala districts	50,000	0
United States of America	WFP	(Mozambique) Logistics (SO 10726)	132,000	0
Grand Total: USD			12,591,460	2,585,258

NOTE: "Funding" means Contributions + Commitments

Pledge: a non-binding announcement of an intended contribution or allocation by the donor. ("Uncommitted pledge" on these tables indicates the balance of original pledges not yet committed.)

Commitment: creation of a legal, contractual obligation between the donor and recipient entity, specifying the amount to be contributed.

Contribution: the actual payment of funds or transfer of in-kind goods from the donor to the recipient entity.

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