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**E-Shelter Coordination Team – Haiti Earthquake**

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**General Meeting, 7 October 2011, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. - Da Costa Room – Logbase- Port au Prince**

**Attending:**

IFRC, World Vision, IOM, PU-AMI, French Red Cross, IEDA Relief, UNOPS, Tearfund, ACTED, CARE, USAID/OFDA, HI, ASB, CRS, IRC, WSM, KayTek, JP/HRO, Architecture For Humanity, the Government of Haiti.

**Action points:**

1. Cluster lead will advocate for an additional 37 000 T-shelter for the CAP 2012
1. Cluster lead should get in touch with UNHabitat to unify data collection on housing solutions.
2. Cluster lead should get in touch with DPC and other relevant government agencies and ask them to attend next cluster meeting.
3. Government should allow for T-Shelter solution since permanent solutions are not yet ready or will take a long time (especially in rural areas and some urban areas).
4. Data Information Unit will try to get in touch with every partner to collect GPS points of every T-Shelter and other information in order to provide a detailed and comprehensive overview of the amount of T-shelter constructed.

Minutes of the first E-Shelter Meeting that took place after shelter coordination activities and information management responsibilities were transferred to IOM from UNHABITAT and OCHA. The meeting was attended by a representative of the Government Mr. Clement Belizaire Program Manger of the 16/6 Project.

The meeting began by taking attendance and with the participants' presentations while hard copies of the E-Shelter and CCCM Clusters' unification draft Concept Note were circulated.

The following topics were discussed:

1. Shelter and CCCM Clusters unification (Organization Chart enclosed to email);
2. Presentation of latest Shelter data (presentation enclosed to email);
3. CAP 2012 for the E-shelter and NFI Cluster;
4. Data collection methodology;

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**1. Shelter and CCCM Clusters unification (Organization Chart enclosed to email):**

A first discussion on the unification of E-Shelter and CCCM cluster took place. The Cluster lead presented the new unified structure (one cluster lead coordinator, one Strategy Advisory Group but still two pillars CCCM&Shelter to keep the expertise of both sectors).

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**2. Presentation of latest Shelter data (presentation enclosed to email):**

A detailed report and analysis regarding Shelter and NFI was presented as follows:

**a. Progress in T-Shelter activities for 2011**

Highlights: 94, 879 T-Shelter have been constructed as of August 2011 out of 113,399 from the initial plan for 2011. That represents 84% of installed T-shelter.

**b. Evolution of quantities of the displaced people from the camps**

According to the DTM from July 2011 594,000 people are living in camps which represents a global decrease (since first DTM in 2010) of more than 60%. if the same pattern of spontaneous departures from the Camps continues without additional help from the international community, a 5 to 6% decrease each two months is expected (this assumption does not consider external factors).

**c. Progression of housing repair during 2011**

In August 2011 6,545 of the target 12,803 houses were repaired. Additionally, 4,592 houses were rebuilt out of 11,697 permanent shelters of the original target for 2011 (August 2011 evaluation)

**d. Housing options for 2012 and beyond**

Three different projections of costs/timing for the next years were put forward in order to open a debate on the issue. Those options are enclosed in the document.

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**3. CAP 2012 for the E-shelter and NFI Cluster:**

- DPC (Direction de la Protection Civile) was not present at the meeting , it was suggested that the Shelter Cluster Coordinator should invite them to the next meeting.
  - Local authorities tend to prefer Permanent Shelters to T-Shelters.
  - Agencies with ongoing T-shelter projects should continue to install them. The Government would obviously prefer permanent housing, but depending on some circumstances and areas (provinces and specific urban areas) T-shelter can be used. T-shelter should be kept as one of the solutions in the range of the relocation strategy.
  - The name of T-shelter has become such a polarizing term that it was suggested to work on a new expression.
  - Mr Belizaire shared the Government Plan to establish a Housing Agency that will focus on Housing. The institution will have 3 main branches: one that will concentrate in reconstruction of Government building in the city centre of PAP. One would be in charge of providing technical housing solutions and one will manage and coordinate return and relocation projects (expansion of the 16/6).
  - The CAP should include a target of 30-40,000 T-shelters for 2012 to cover gaps in the provinces and particular cases in urban areas.
  - The SAG (Strategic Advisory Group) will have to review the Shelter Project submitted for the CAP
  - Mr Belizaire offered to organize policy meetings with the SAG and also invite the Shelter Cluster to meet at FAES at the next occasion.
  - ACTED raised an issue related to T-shelter material stuck in Customs.
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**4. Data collection methodology (data collection document attached):**

- It is necessary to rationalize the Info Management system trying to unify format between Shelter Cluster and Logement-Quartier but also to keep track of additional info such as support to rent, reinforcements and upgrades of T-shelters.

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**5. AOB:**

The Shelter Cluster Coordinator will announce date, time and location for the next meeting soon.