1) UNHCR Support team in Hatay provided this morning (March 21, 2012) the following figures based on the official information provided:

The total number of the Syrian population in three border provinces of Turkey is 16,561 with the arrival of 235 persons and 113 returns.

The population breakdown is as follows:

- Hatay population in seven tent cities is 14,431 individuals.
- Gaziantep population in the 8th tented site in Islahiye is 1,255 individuals.
- Kilis population in Oncupinar container site is 895 individuals.

2) Highlights:

- UNHCR chartered cargo plane carrying 1,500 tents and 10,020 blankets from Dubai warehouse, donated by the UN Refugee Agency to the Turkish Red Crescent, arrived to Adana airport last night. The relief items were downloaded throughout the night until 8 am this morning. A convoy of 12 lorries arranged by the Turkish Red Crescent has departed at the time of this writing for Islahiye tent site, newly established in Gaziantep.

- The newly appointed President of AFAD, the main coordination institution of Turkey’s humanitarian operations reaffirmed during a visit by UNHCR Representative their readiness to exchange information and strengthen partnership between institutions with regard to emergency situations and preparedness.

Individual arrivals to UNHCR Offices in Turkey (20/03/2012)

Total Approaches to date (as of Tuesday, March 20, 2012):

i. Cumulative number of Syrians who approached UNHCR, 1 Jan 2011 to present (cases/individual persons): 278/490

ii. Cumulative number of Iraqis ex-Syria who approached UNHCR, 1 Jan 2011 to present (cases/individual persons): 772/1635
iii. Cumulative number of Others ex-Syria who approached UNHCR, 1 Jan 2011 to present (cases/individual persons): 76/100

iv. Cumulative number of Palestine refugees ex Syria who approached UNHCR, 1 Jan 2011 to present (cases/individual persons): 11/14

The map of the region including current nine camps in Hatay, Kilis and Gaziantep.