## UPDATE 1: EMERGENCY ASSESSMENT Drought

of ifo refugee camps, garissa, n.eastern, kenya



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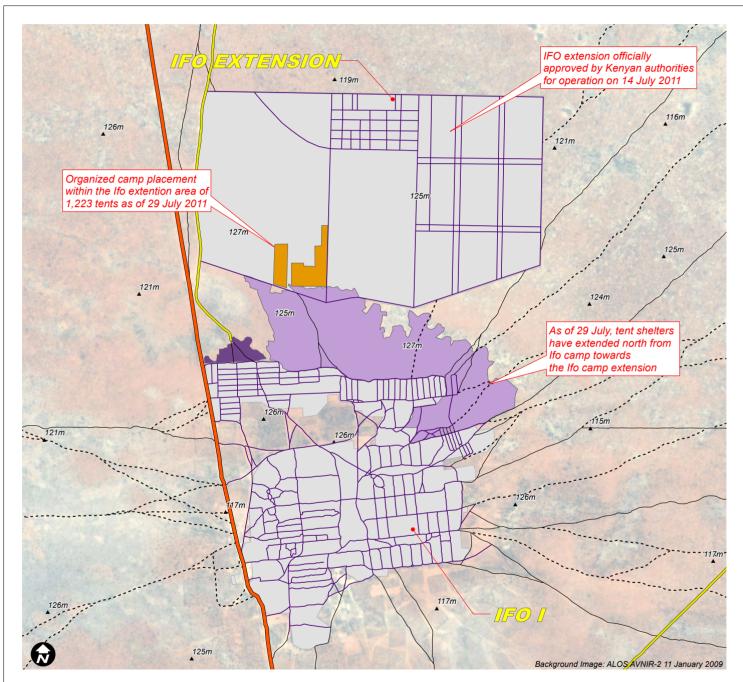
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This map presents satellite-derived information on the current extent and location of the Ifo camp and Ifo extension (approved by Kenyan authorities for operation on 14 July 2011) within the Dadaab area. There is clear tent expansion of Ifo camp and the beginings of organized tent placement in the southern

edge of the Ifo extension. This is a preliminary assessment and has not yet been validated in the field. Please send feedback to UNITAR/UNOSAT at the contact information below. Additional reports will be produced as new imagery becomes available.





#### Map Legend

▲ Spot Height (m)

Refugee Camp Extent

Ifo Primary Tent Expansion

Ifo Secondary Tent Expansion

Ifo Extension Tent Location

Primary Road
Secondary Rd
Local /
Camp Rd

Camp Rd Tertiary Rd Track / Trail

Sublocation Boundary

Satellite Data (1): IKONOS Imagery Dates: 29 July 2011 Resolution: 1 m Copyright: GeoEye 2011 Source: Google 2011 Satellite Data (2): WV02 Imagery Dates: 16 July 2011 Resolution: 50 cm Copyright: DigitalGlobe 2011 Source: U.S Dept. of State (HIU) Satellite Data (3): ALOS AVNIR Imagery Dates: 11 Jan. 2009 Resolution: 10 m Copyright: JAXA 2011 Source: Astrium Road Data: UNITAR/UNOSAT Analysis: UNITAR / UNOSAT Analysis conducted with ArcGIS v10 Map projection: UTM Zone 37N-WGS84



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Camp Center: lat: 0.121427N Long: 40.315060E

# **Updated Ifo Refugee Camp Analysis**By UNITAR/UNOSAT – 9 August 2011

This assessment of the Ifo refugee camps near the Kenyan border town of Dadaab was done at the request of UNHCR in support of emergency humanitarian planning in the area following the recent influx of Somali refugees. Satellite images acquired on 16 July and 29 July 2011 over the area were analyzed to determine recent areas of extension at Ifo camp and the extension. This is a preliminary assessment and has not yet been validated in the field. Please send feedback to UNITAR/UNOSAT at the contact information below. Additional reports will be produced as new imagery becomes available. Vector data produced in this assessment and additional UNOSAT Horn of Africa products are available at: http://www.unitar.org/unosat/horn-africa-data

### **Analysis Summary:**

Areas of recent extension at Ifo camp and the extension were identified using a combination of satellite images acquired 16 July and 29 July 2011, assessed in conjunction due to partial cloud cover over camps of interest. These images were compared against a series of archival images dating to 9 March 2009 to determine recent areas of extension in the camps. Three distinct areas of temporary refugee shelters were identified both along the borders of the Ifo camp and within the newly opened extension. Shelters along the borders of Ifo were definitely not present in November 2009 and analysis of lower resolution imagery indicates they most likely began appearing after 7 October 2010. New shelters in the extension appeared between 16 July and 29 July 2011. Notably, the new structures at Ifo are similar to traditional housing compounds in the region and include apparent corrals for livestock (see Figure 1). Conversely, the new structures in the extension are obviously tents laid out in an organized grid similar to other UNHCR refugee camps (see Figure 2).



Figure 1 – Area of recently added housing along the northern border of Ifo, including likely livestock corrals circled in red. Both shelters (left) and corrals most likely began appearing after 7 October 2010 (Lat 0.1272N, Lon 40.3324E; UTM: 37N 648282 0014067). Image copyright 2011 DigitalGlobe.

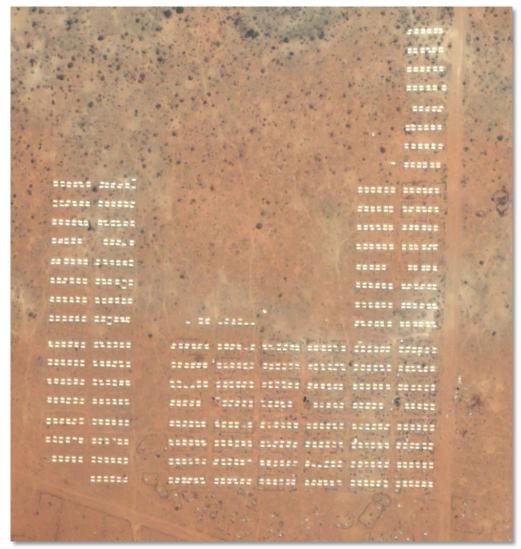


Figure 2 Tents in the southern portion of the Ifo extension added between 16 and 29 July 2011 (Lat: 4.1692N Long: 42.0633; UTM: 38N 173933 461448). Image copyright 2011 GeoEye. Provided by Google.

### **Tent Shelter Count Analysis Results:**

A semi-automated shelter detection analysis was conducted using satellite imagery recorded on 29 July 2011<sup>1</sup>. A total of approximately 1,223 tents and building structures were identified with a high degree of confidence within the southern portion of the Ifo extension area. This new tent extension has an approximate area of 26ha and was likely erected to address the increased levels of displaced people entering Ifo camp. The tent identified measure approximately 3X6m in size respectively. Based on official UNHCR recommended standards<sup>2</sup> this would allow for a camp population capacity in the ifo extension of a little over 4,000 people. This is a preliminary analysis and has not yet been validated in the field. Please send feedback to UNITAR/UNOSAT at the contact information below.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Ikonos satellite contains a very high resolution optical sensor with a spatial resolution of 100cm. Imagery provided by Google

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> UNHCR Handbook for Emergencies 3<sup>rd</sup>ED (2007)