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CHAD

FIRST HUMANITARIAN-DEVELOPMENT FORUM HELD

UN agencies, NGOs, donors and local authorities on 6 June held the first humanitarian-development forum in an initial step to develop a joint approach to address the chronic vulnerabilities in Chad. The New Way of Working, a key outcome of the 2016 World Humanitarian Summit, and priorities for Chad's crisis-affected regions were discussed. Participants agreed to better link humanitarian and development programmes and strengthen analysis of development challenges.

RETURNEES START RECEIVING DOCUMENTATION

The authorities on 7 June begun the issuance of official documentation to 4,500 Chadian returnees living in the outskirts of the capital N'Djamena. The humanitarian community is advocating similar measures for around 70,000 returnees in southern Chad where they have lived since 2013. Ninety-two per cent of all Chadian returnees do not have any official documentation.

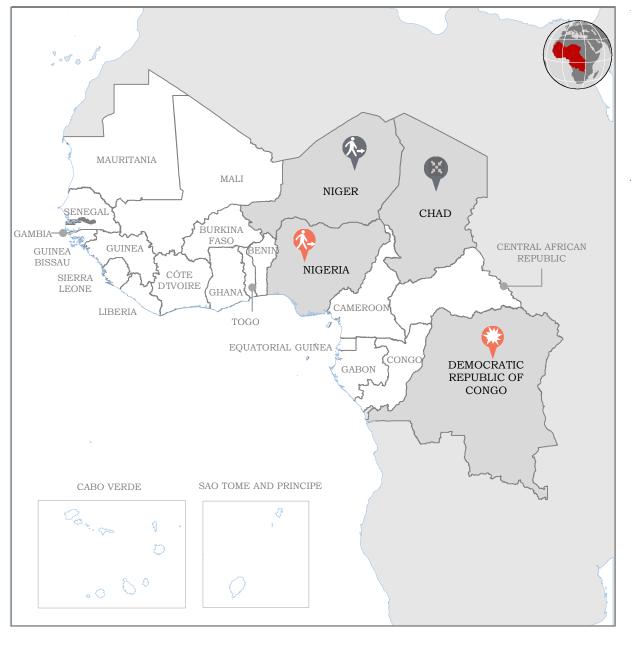
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TWO AID WORKERS MISSING AFTER ATTACK

Two aid workers are missing after they were ambushed on 7 June by suspected Mayi-Mayi fighters in a village in Lubero Territory in the east of the country, prompting a halt of food and basic household items distribution to nearly 5,000 families. Another aid agency was forced to withdraw from Lubero last month owing to worsening insecurity.

CAR REFUGEES NEED ASSISTANCE

Around 12,000 Central African Republic refugees have settled in Ndu area of the northern Bondo Territory since mid-May. Difficulty in accessing the refugees and funding shortages have stymied relief assistance. Plans for airlifting aid are underway.



NIGER

SMUGGLERS ABANDON 16 MIGRANTS

An army patrol on 6 June rescued 16 Nigerian migrants including four women abandoned by their smugglers near Tanout area, around 130 km from Zinder town in the south. It is the first report of such incident registered in Zinder region that borders Nigeria. Investigations are underway to establish the migrants' destination.

NIGERIA

ARMY TO PROBE ALLEGED IDP SEXUAL ABUSE

The army on 6 June said it will investigate alleged sexual exploitation and abuse of female IDPs by soldiers following a petition by a local rights group. Some women IDPs at Bama camp and hospital have accused soldiers and members of a civilian vigilante group of rape and demanding sex, jewellery and clothing in exchange for food. In a statement, the military said it was not aware of the incidents, but pledged to investigate.

GOVERNMENT DISTRIBUTES FOOD AID TO IDPs

The Government on 8 June begun the distribution of 30,000 metric tons of cereal to displaced people in country's north-east. The rations are for six people per household and aimed to last one month. The air force will airlift the food to populations in newly-accessible areas where road access is still difficult due to lingering insecurity. The distribution is to be a regular exercise, according to the authorities.

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