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# *National Emergency Response Mechanism for Unaccompanied Minors in precarious living conditions*

Special Secretariat for the Protection of Unaccompanied Minors of the Ministry of Migration and Asylum



- The SSPUAM initiated the operation of the 24/07 tracing line on the 5<sup>th</sup> of April 2021 under the National Emergency Response Mechanism.
- Moreover, as of the 29<sup>th</sup> of June 2021, the two safe zones of Schisto in Attica and Vagiochori in Thessaloniki are being used temporarily as emergency accommodation facilities for the purposes of the National Emergency Response Mechanism.



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- The Mechanism includes a **24/7 tracing line** for identifying and tracing UAMs in need (0030- **2132128888** and 0030- **6942773030**, also on **WhatsApp** or **Viber**), available in Arabic, Farsi, Dari, Urdu, Punjabi, Bengali, English and others, based on availability.
- The tracing line provides guidance to children, citizens, local and public authorities on steps and actions to be taken from the point of identification of an unaccompanied minor until his/her timely inclusion in emergency accommodation.



- The procedure includes the referral to the Mechanism through the 24/07 tracing line, the tracing of the UAM by the mobile unit of METAdrasi in Athens and ARSIS in Thessaloniki or by the police when required, the registration at the relevant police department of reference (when the UAM is not already documented), the conduct of a rapid test or self-test for COVID-19 and the transfer to the safe zone.
- In the emergency accommodation facilities the UAMs receive specialized services and further support until they are transferred to long-term accommodation facilities (including registration with the AS), based on a formal assessment of the child's needs, background and options available in Greece. The case management is conducted by the Network for Children's rights and ARSIS in Schisto and Vagiochori respectively, in cooperation with ARSIS in Schisto and IOM in Vagiochori who are responsible for the operation of the safe zones.



- From 05/04 to 12/09 the total number of incoming communications has been 907 (out of which 684 new and 223 repeated):
  - 407 NGOs
  - 155 RAOs
  - 129 UAMs
  - 108 PD/PRDC
  - 37 citizens
  - 30 IGOs
  - 20 self-referred adults
  - 11 alleged minors
  - 10 others



The incoming communications concerned 684 requests for accommodation, 17 for legal aid and 7 for other issues for **708 newly referred cases of UAMs.**

### **Sex**

- 686 male
- 22 female

### **Legal status**

- 443 undocumented
- 265 documented

### **Accommodation status**

- 296 homeless
- 295 in precarious living conditions
- 91 PD for identification reasons
- 23 ORFs
- 3 shelters

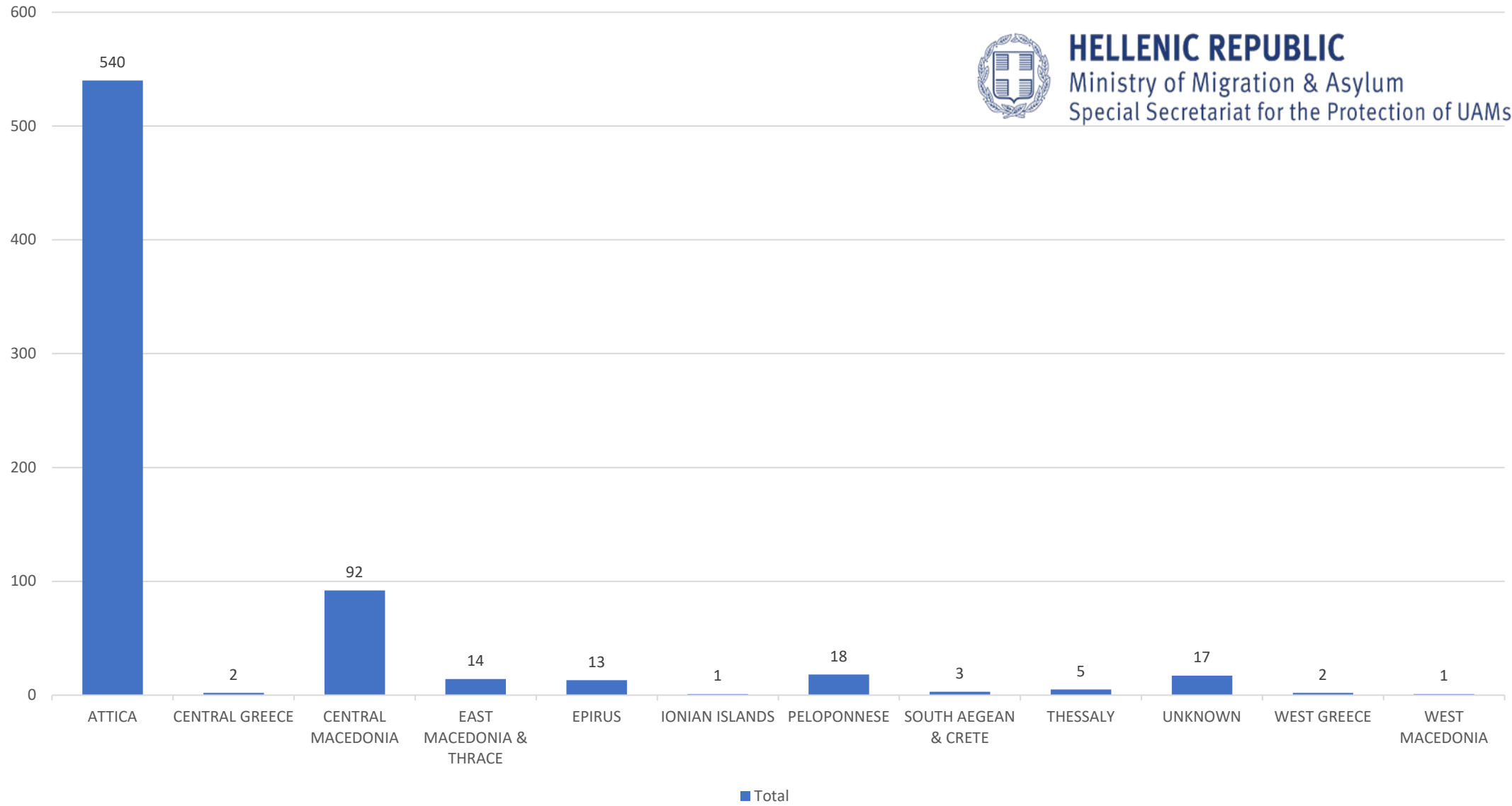
## TRACING LOCATION



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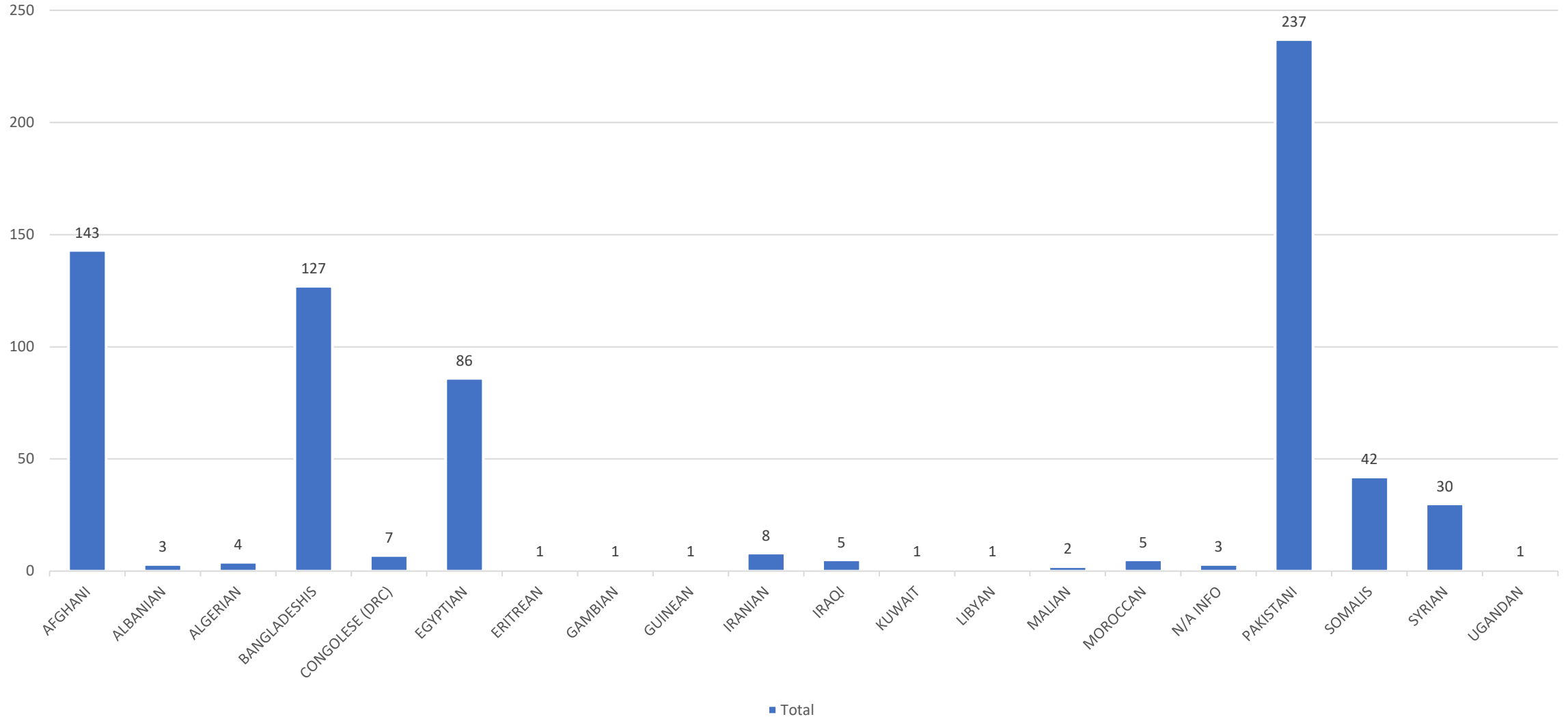
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### NATIONALITY







From 05 April to 12 September:

- 367 UAMs were accommodated, out of which 246 in safe zones since 29/06, when the Mechanism started conducting placements in safe zones.
- However, there is still a high number of UAMs that are not re-traced when required for the completion of their assessment and transfer to safe accommodation and/or refuse to be placed in safe accommodation.

Thank you

