1. GENERAL UPDATES

As of August 21, the death toll for all three departments (Sud, Nippes, Grand-Anse) is now at 2,207. There are 12,268 wounded and 344 missing, according to the Civil Protection report.

Most recent data available (COUD report from August 20) indicates a total of 69,831 families are left without shelter, that includes those whose houses were destroyed (26,960 houses) and damaged (42,871 houses).

CORE continues to focus its efforts in the Sud department which is most heavily impacted but is assessing other regions as well.

2. CHALLENGES

Security and looting: Caution is advised in the area of Gros Marin, in the North of Cavaillon. There are reports of armed individuals who are blocking the roads (including one towards Barraderes) and pointing their guns at vehicles trying to pass.

Connectivity: Internet connectivity has been ongoing issue for CORE’s teams. We are looking into obtaining access to a satellite connection that was set up by Telecom Sans Frontiers.

3. CORE’S RESPONSE

CORE staff were the first to arrive on the ground in Sud. Within 24 hours of the quake, medical staff opened a mobile clinic in Marcelline, joined by debris removal and assessment teams.

CORE’S RESPONSE

- 35,000 m³ debris removed
- 1,000 patients treated
- rapid response within 24 hours

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CORE RELIEF EFFORTS
- Sud Department
- Grand’Anse Department
- Nippes Department

Activities

CORE is currently working in 4 locations within the Sud department: the communes of Maniche, Saint Louis, Cavaillon and Aquin. CORE’s initial impact includes:

August 22:
- Medical teams were delayed from exiting from Cavaillon due to frustrated residents not getting enough support. They were able to leave after a few hours.

August 23:
- Out of the 9 pieces of heavy equipment, 3 will be sent to Maniche, 2 will be sent to Camp-Perrin/Marceline, 1 to Port-a-Piment/Rendel, another to Les Cayes and 2 to the Sucrerie.
- Half of IOM shelter kits CORE was planning to distribute were stolen in transit. No one was injured.

HEALTH:
- CORE continues operating 23 vaccination sites across Haiti
- Since the start of CORE’s earthquake response on August 15, its medical team has treated a total of 900 patients, consisting of 492 women, 234 men, and 174 children. This includes the communes of:
  - Camp-Perrin, Marceline: 38 men, 45 women and 15 children were treated
  - Cavaillon: 88 men, 254 women and 63 children were treated
  - Saint-Louis-du-Sud: 108 men, 193 women and 95 children were treated
- 430 cotton gowns, 660 single-use gowns, 600 surgical masks and 195 bunny suit gowns donated by Amazon were received on August 21.
- The 4 medical volunteers will be stationed at the Immaculate Conception Hospital (HIC) in Les Cayes since there is a shortage of medical staff due to a strike.

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HEAVY EQUIPMENT:

- To date, CORE has moved 35,000 m³ of debris, the equivalent of 2,333 dump trucks with a 15 m³ capacity
- This includes the following locations:
  - Maniche: excavation completed in 15 houses and a Catholic church (7,200 m³)
  - Camp-Perrin: excavated material evacuated on the road connecting Les Cayes to Jeremie (10,000 m³)
    - excavated material evacuated in a house (1,000 m³)
- CORE has 9 pieces of heavy equipment on the ground. An order was placed for an additional 2 heavy equipment and 4 dump trucks

ASSESSMENTS:

- Members of the affected population are desperately waiting for help from the state and international community to evacuate their wounded and receive first aid. Frustrations are mounting.
- The department of Grand'Anse has so far failed to receive the expected flow of humanitarian aid
- There are physical access challenges, including the damaged bridge at the entrance to Jérémie which has been forbidden for use by local authorities
- The surveyors collected the following information:
  - Areas: Jeremie 1, Jeremie 2, Jeremie 4 Section, Previle, Leon/Favier, Kafou Maka (Aug. 19):
    - Deaths: 29
    - Injuries: 54
    - Houses: 8,760 damaged; 1,533 destroyed
    - Displaced Families: 51,587
    - Medical Centers: 7 damaged, 1 destroyed
    - Schools: 33 damaged, 11 destroyed
    - Churches: 127 damaged, 14 destroyed
- High demand for medical aid and shelter kits. Access to Jérémie is cut off in two different locations – Fanm Pa Dra and the bridge at the entrance of Jérémie which has been damaged

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ASSESSMENTS (CONT’D):

- **Areas: Abricots, Trou Bonbon, Irois, Dame-Marie, Anse d’Hainault, Localité #2 [Far west coast of Grand’Anse] (Aug. 18):**
  - Localité #2: 1 death, 41 wounded
  - 6,095 houses damaged, 658 houses destroyed
  - 1,120 families displaced
  - 7 health centers damaged, 0 destroyed
  - 19 schools damaged, 1 destroyed
  - 17 churches damaged, 1 destroyed

- **Areas: Beaumont, Marfranc, Roseaux, Moron (Aug. 17)**
  - 244 wounded, 81 deaths
  - 10,217 damaged houses, 2,008 destroyed
  - 16,102 displaced families
  - 53 medical centers damaged, 2 destroyed
  - 53 schools damaged, 23 destroyed
  - 45 damaged churches, 8 destroyed

LOGISTICS:

- A new location has been identified to house our teams in Les Cayes for one week until a definitive base is established (Auber Cayes Guesthouse)
- The team is looking into local warehouse solutions, with the possibility of receiving a container from Royal Caribbean
- Haytrac (supplying the heavy equipment) has been managing to provide timely delivery of diesel. Regular fuel does not seem a problem.

PARTNERS:

Current partners include:

- DPC
- WCK
- World Hope (air support)
- Zanmi La Sante (PIH)
- OM (e-shelters)
- Concern Worldwide (for joint distribution)
- MTPTC: CORE will sign the letter received from MTPTC on August 24

- CORE is exploring a partnership with the engineering department from the American University of the Caribbean in Les Cayes to help with assessments
4. NEXT STEPS

CORE has identified 5 priority communities in the Sud department:

- Camp-Perrin
- Maniche
- Cavallion
- Saint-Louis-du-Sud
- Les Cayes

Assessments

- Assessments conducted in Grade-Anse will determine the specific areas of operation there
- The medical team will head to Les Anglais on August 24, where there are many injuries
- The debris team will work as follows:
  - Start of the Sucrerie at 7:00 AM (Supervisor & Sorel Engineer)
  - Start of the Camp-Perrin/Marceline site (Geordany Supervisor)
  - Start of the Maniche site (Makindi)
  - Transport of the D7 dozer to Rendel

Cash For Work (CFW)

- CORE’s community mobilizers are working to identify 125 teams to work on small scale rubble clearing projects. Each team will consist of 11 people (10 workers and a lead). They will be working throughout the 7 communities (with approximately 20 teams per community).
- The workers will receive daily pay and will be provided with tools and equipment, clearing areas that do not require heavy equipment.

- Intends to clear Sud and Grand’Anse road sections to clear: 95,000 m³
- Debris to be removed for buildings to be demolished (Sud + Grand’Anse): 3,500 m³

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5. CORE STAFF

- **Affected CORE staff:** 6 CORE staff have immediate and extended family members who were directly affected by the earthquake and by storm Grace. We are coordinating shelter and distribution:
  - Plastic sheeting was provided
  - Tents were scheduled to arrive on August 24 but were delayed

**APPENDIXES**

**Other Actors**

- Many international actors and UN agencies have deployed in the past 24-48 hours, or significantly increased their presence in Haiti
- Daily coordination meetings led by the COUN will be starting August 24, intended for sector leads

**State institutions:**
- Delegation
- MPCE
- MAST
- CAS
- FAES
- Ministère des cultes
- MEF
- DPC
- COUCs
- COULs
- Mairies

**International:**
- IOM
- UNICEF
- Croix-Rouge Haïtienne
- ITECA
- Ambassade de Suisse
- CRS
- UNFPA
- CORE
- Save the Children
- Samaritaín's Purse
- SIKSE
- PNUD
- PADI
- BHA-USAID
- KORAL
- AVSI
- MZH
- Heifer
- GI World Concern
- AUC
- ICAP
- ONU femmes

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