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### CHAD: GOODWILL AMBASSADOR HELPS FIGHT AGAINST POLIO

#### VIDEO

MIA FARROW RIDES A CAMEL

FARROW MEETS VILLAGERS

CHILDREN BEING VACCINATED

FARROW AT RADIO STATION

FARROW ON CAMERA

#### AUDIO

#### NARRATION

Riding a camel through a sandstorm, a traditional welcome for UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador Mia Farrow in the central African country of Chad. (8.3)

She spent a week traveling across the country to highlight the importance of polio vaccination as part of a regional immunisation campaign to combat the spread of this debilitating disease. She met local authorities and teams of volunteers, supported by UNICEF and WHO reaching out to communities in rural and urban areas to encourage parents to have their children vaccinated. (22.9)

Whilst being interviewed at the local radio station in the impoverished western town of Mao, Ms Farrow sent out this message to communities: (7.5)

MIA FARROW: (English) **F**

*"So I've come here as a mother, as a*

*grandmother and as an ambassador for UNICEF to tell all the women and the fathers too, to be sure to bring their babies in to be vaccinated.” (14.3)*

MOTHER AND CHILD VICTIM OF  
POLIO

NARRATION

Routine polio immunisation is low in Chad leaving hundreds of thousands vulnerable to the disease. (6.2)

Unicef Representative, Dr. Marzio Babilie. (2.9)

BABILLE ON CAMERA

DR. MARZIO BABILLE: (English) **M**  
*“But usually it’s a permanent crippling disease. The child is usually marginalized, has a very difficult life if he goes to school and obviously sometimes as we witness in Africa and in Chad, these children become beggars.” (14.9)*

CHILDREN IN SLUMS

NARRATION

Chad is one of the poorest countries in Africa with around 55 percent of the population living on less than a dollar a day according to government statistics. Poverty, poor nutrition, overcrowding and lack of sanitation leave children more susceptible to the polio infection. (15.4)

FARROW WITH VILLAGERS

PEOPLE ARRIVE IN TRUCKS

Chad was almost polio free in 2006, but the virus re entered nations in west and central Africa following migration from neighbouring Nigeria. Since 2009, 67 new cases have been registered with Chad’s Ministry of Health. This has triggered the need for a regional polio

CHILDREN AT HEALTH CENTER

vaccination campaign targeting 19 countries in West and Central Africa. (23.3)

UNICEF Regional Director, Dr Gianfranco Rotigliano. (3.5)

ROTIGLIANO ON CAMERA

DR. G. ROTIGLIANO: (English) **M**

*“so it is important that we vaccinate at the same time, throughout the region so that we try to stop transmission.”* (6.6)

FARROW WITH CHADIAN  
PRESIDENT

NARRATION

During the launch of Chad's polio immunisation campaign in the capital N'djamena in March, Chadian President Idriss Deby Itno renewed his commitment to fighting polio. (10.7)

FARROW WITH CHILDREN BEING  
VACCINATED

Vaccination teams supported by UNICEF and World Health Organization will reach to over 2 million children under the age of five. It's hoped this massive effort will give a boost to eradication efforts in Africa and give Chadian children a safe and healthier start in life. (16.9)

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