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Situation

- In the last 24hrs, extensive military strikes continue to inflict infrastructural damage to residential buildings, offices, and roads across Gaza City – including daily reports received by FSRM of damages to UNRWA facilities
- According to UNDSS, between 07:00 17:30 today (16 May), there were in excess of 115 rockets and 50 mortar shells launched from Gaza. IAF responded with 30 raids and the firing of 40 missiles. IDF fired approx. 74 shells and IL Navy launched 31 shells
- According to MOH, 174 people have been killed in Gaza, with a further 1,221 having been injured (courtesy of OCHA flash update #6)
- UNRWA is actively acquiring data in relation to the eight children killed in overnight strikes
- Ministry of Public Works and Housing states that a total of 840 buildings (comprised of residential units and commercial buildings) have been completely thus far
- ACU confirms Erez crossing for vehicle and personnel movements remain closed, and Karem Shalom goods crossing also remains closed

UNRWA Specific

- Confirmation that as of 19:00 today, there are 50 schools occupied by up to 41,900 IDPs across North Governorate and Gaza City. Exactly 50% are DES
- The specific coordinates of the places currently hosting IDPs are being provided on a daily basis to CLA/COGAT by email in addition to all installations.
- 10/22 HC's were operational today, staffed by 13.5% of those available due to the ongoing hostilities and risks
- There was no food distribution today
- Remote learning recommenced today and will operate in tandem with MHPSS in order to provide critical support to children and their families
- Sanitation was fully operational barring the North Governorate
- 24/7 staff presence in all schools were achieved except for Gaza where challenges remain due to staff reluctance in the insecure environment within Gaza
- Damage assessment survey was conducted for HQG
- The final draft Flash Appeal proposal is being edited prior to final submission to HQ
- Supporting ICRC and PRCS with fuel starting tomorrow via WHO

Planned Activities

- UNRWA will provide UNMAS with logistical support to complete risk assessment for UNRWA installations impacted by damages from military strikes
- Damage assessment for GTC and GFO main compound
- Kerem Shalom projected crossing will be requested for 20 food trucks and 150,000 litres of fuel (or roughly five trucks)
- Planning/Coordination to facilitate the movement of 2 UNRWA staff as well as 17 other UN staff and non-UN internationals, including the entry to Gaza of DSRM (who is currently pre-positioned in Ramallah) is ongoing

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