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## UNICEF HELPS SEARCH FOR THE MISSING IN INDONESIA

### VIDEO

MOTORCYCLE TEAMS

BOY WITH COLD GAZING

PHOTOGRAPHING CHILDREN

### AUDIO

#### NARRATION

Every day, motorcycle teams like this one take off in search of lost children. UNICEF and local aid workers travel all over the Aceh Province in Indonesia looking for children torn from their families by the tsunami. (14.5")

Many of the kids are sheltered by villagers...  
...some are familiar faces to the children...most are strangers. (6.5")

In one 30 square kilometre district alone, UNICEF estimates 180 children, like this fifteen year-old boy, still look for their parents, and 900 parents still frantically search for their children. The numbers increase daily. (16")

Once workers locate a displaced child, they collect as much personal information as possible. The children are then registered onto a master list...and photographed. Their photos are posted on boards at the twenty UNICEF centers in the makeshift camps and scoured

NARRATION

daily by anxious parents. (18.5”)

DENI PURBA ON-CAMERA

DENI PURBA:

“The final aim of this program is actually to reunite, between parents and children.” (5”)

FACE OF DEWI

NARRATION

Another aim – to protect against false claims and child traffickers..... To help keep Acehnese children safe within the province, their personal information is withheld and must be provided by a family member before they gain custody. (13”)

CHILDREN

For the children here, there’s been so much pain. (2.5”)

DEWI/CENTRE

Sixteen year old Dewi was alone and hungry for three weeks, waiting for her family to find her. When she was finally taken to a UNICEF child centre she had all but given up hope...that was until she saw her mother. (14.5”)

CUTRISMAWATI ON-CAMERA

CUTRISMAWATI: (Acehnese)

“I said ‘Dewi it’s me, it’s your mother!’ But she was still in a state of shock. She just kept crying and crying. So we hugged and then she said to me: ‘Mommy, why didn’t you come looking for me after the tsunami?’ And I said: ‘I did, I looked for you everywhere, I looked for you every day.’” (24”)

NARRATION

Today, Dewi and her family live together in a makeshift camp. Her only desire now she says...(6.5")

DEWI ON-CAMERA

DEWI: (In Indonesian)

"I want my home back. I want to go home". (4")

DEWI WITH HER FAMILY

NARRATION

While there is no home to go back to, Dewi and her family are together. Thousands of others are not so lucky. They're left alone...waiting... and praying for a miracle. (12")

LOGO (10")

This report was prepared by Michele Zaccheo for the United Nations. (4")