

Emergency Unit NEWSLETTER

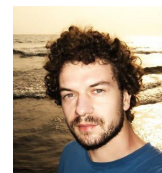
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Who does what?

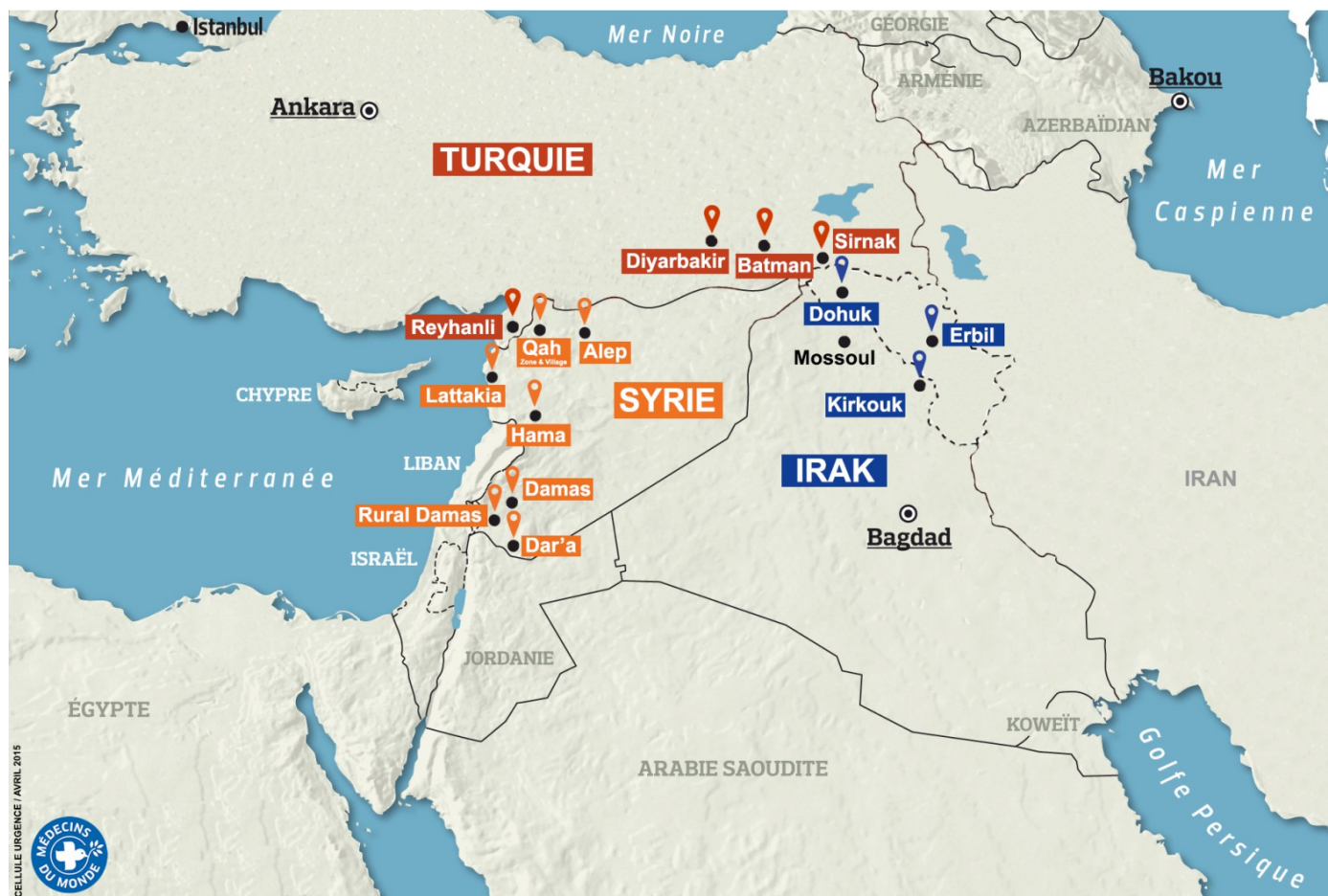
Aurélié Leroyer, new Desk Manager
Julie Perrin, Logistics intern, Emergency Unit
Etienne Fosse, new Flying Administrative Coordinator

Welcome!



MAP

The Emergency Unit's programmes in **IRAQ**, **TURKEY**, **SYRIA**



IRAQ Emergency aid programme for displaced persons in Iraqi Kurdistan.

TURKEY / SYRIA Improving access to health services for refugees and displaced persons and for the populations affected by the crises in Syria and Iraq.

YEMEN

In a context of intensifying conflict, the Emergency Unit has sent medical supplies to provide support to public organisations and to a Yemeni healthcare association in the South of Yemen in Aden so as to give citizens better access to healthcare.

3 tonnes of supplies were delivered at the beginning of April.

Léa Gibert, Desk Manager and Rafik Bedoui, Medical Advisor are responsible for Yemen on behalf of the Emergency Unit.





IRAQ

Photo taken by Charlotte Fortier (FieldCo Dohuk), of the whole team at the camp for displaced persons at Dawodia in front of Médecins du Monde's new health centre.

VANUATU [DEVELOPMENTS AND PARTNERSHIPS]

Médecins du Monde's rapid response team reached Port Vila on 17th March.

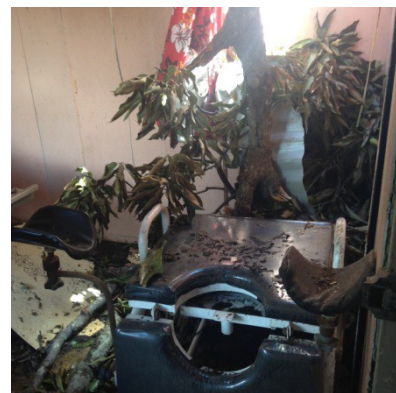
The team evaluated several clinics in the centre and south of Tanna Island, one of the areas most damaged by cyclone PAM. The health facilities have been almost totally destroyed by the cyclone (roofs torn off, equipment destroyed, etc.) The evaluation revealed that access to healthcare was difficult. Various players have opted for an emergency response via mobile clinics, the reconstruction of buildings and the supply of medicines. However, no player covers the needs relating to access to reproductive healthcare.

The Emergency Unit chose to orientate its activities towards the provision of obstetrics kits.

These kits will be adapted to the practices and constraints of the nurses and midwives currently providing care at the clinics and health centres on Tanna.

A partnership has been established with an association based in Vanuatu, in order to provide for allocations to improve the skills and training of nurses and midwives. This partnership falls within the programme to reduce morbidity and neonatal mortality, led by the partner in association with the Nursing School in Vanuatu.

Quentin Peiffer, Desk Manager and Chloé Roger, Flying Medical Coordinator were in charge for Vanuatu on behalf of the Emergency Unit.



Delivery table just after the cyclone went through - Photos Astrid and Yohan



BUT WHERE ARE THEY?

Pascal Simon, Logistics Coordinator has returned from the DRC // **Marina Benedik**, General Coordinator is in Iraq // **Chloe Roger**, Medical Coordinator is at headquarters as the Ebola medical advisor // **Marius Musca**, General Coordinator is in the CAR // **Manuel Torres Lara**, Medical Coordinator has returned from Iraq // **Marie Burton**, Médical Coordinator is in Liberia

DATES FOR THE DIARY

The Emergency Unit's workshop will be held in Paris from 27 to 30 April.

IT'S JUST COME OUT - READ IT!

REVUE HUMANITAIRE No 40: Ebola, Syria, Haiti... the report prepared with the help of Gérard Pascal (Emergency Advisor to the Board) deals with Ebola: *Epidémies : ce qu'Ebola nous dit. - Epidemics: What Ebola tells us.*

This edition includes a supplement "Syria: chaos behind closed doors", also produced under the guidance of Gérard Pascal with the help of the Middle East Group. More information here

