**THE danish emergency relief fund**

**Alert note**

**Guide to submission of alerts**

NB: Only Danish organisations with local presence either through partner organisations or own organisation in the affected areas can raise an alert.

Please read the Danish Emergency Relief Fund’s Funding Guidelines before submitting an alert (the Funding Guidelines are available here: [www.cisu.dk/derf](http://www.cisu.dk/derf))

**Instructions:**

An alert is raised and submitted through the online platform *Vores CISU*. When submitting an alert

1. basic information must be submitted online.
2. an Alert Note (this document) must be attached.

In the Alert Note, you must fill either of the three sections:

* section B for rapid onset humanitarian crisis, or
* section C for slow onset humanitarian crisis, or
* section D for spike in a protracted humanitarian crisis.

Please note that the alert note must be completed with as much information as possible. CISU will need comprehensive information in order to assess the alert. The information provided has to be verifiable.

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| *Formalities regarding the alert text (section b, c or d):*   * *NUMBER OF PAGES: The text must not take up more than 1,5 pages (Arial, font size 11, line spacing 1.0, margins: top 3 cm, bottom 3 cm, right 2 cm and left 2 cm). Alerts exceeding this length will be rejected.* * *LANGUAGE: The text can only be submitted to CISU in English.* |

**Section A: Basic information**

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| Organisation: | *The Danish House in Palestine* |
| Title of alert: | Urgent Humanitarian Crisis in Jenin Refugee Camp: Assistance Needed |
| Type of crisis: | * *rapid onset humanitarian crisis (please fill out section B)* * *slow onset humanitarian crisis (please fill out section C)* * *spike in protracted humanitarian crisis (please fill out section D)* |

Do only fill one of the following three sections, B, C, or D. You may delete the two which do not apply.

**Section B: Rapid onset humanitarian crisis:**

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| b.1 Where is the crisis?  Jenin Refugee Camp inside Jenin City in the northern part of The West Bank (Occupied Palestinian territory)  b.2 What is the nature of the crisis? *Please describe the type of crisis (e.g. earth quake, other natural disaster occurring without warning) and describe potential local social and political implications (e.g. for specific target groups).*  Israeli forces invaded Jenin Refugee Camp with aircraft and bulldozers, hereby launching the most violent attack on the camp since the 2002 invasion.  12 people have been killed, 100s injured, and many arrested. Huge parts of the camp have been bombed and destroyed, including essential infrastructure such as waterpipes and roads.  The Israeli military operation commenced with an aggressive assault on sites believed to be affiliated with the Palestinian resistance. Claiming these locations as their targets, they launched three missiles that resulted in the loss of civilians’ lives and leaving many wounded.  Soon after a full-scale invasion ensued with an overwhelming presence of military forces. Jeeps, armoured vehicles, and military bulldozers stormed Jenin as well as drones and airstrikes from the sky. The Freedom Theatre including its’ staff members, a common place for social and creative gathering as well as a shelter for the inhabitants of the camp, were also severely affected by the attack.  b.3 What information do you have about the situation? What is the source of that information?  *Please provide available information on*  *affected populations including specific vulnerable groups and access to these*  *urgent emergency and/or protection needs*  *other actors responding and coordinating (including government, community structures, the UN, INGOs)*  The Danish House joined a number of local Palestinian organizations to visit the camp. The purpose of our visit was to assess the situation by our own eyes. We witnessed the consequences of the Israeli attack. The Freedom Theatre, which is an important cultural institution in the camp and in Jenin in general was targeted with rockets fired into its courtyard, and Israeli troops occupying the premises. We also saw that the camp's infrastructure, including streets and electricity has been severely damaged. Tragically, as you might have already heard 12 people have lost their lives, and over 140 others have been injured, and around 3,000 people forced to flee their homes. During our visit we met with hospital representatives, the Red Cross, affected families, and The Freedom Theatre staff.  *Please insert link(s) and/or attach relevant documentation to the alert. Documentation may be found at UN OCHA, ACAPS, or other internationally recognised sources.*  [*https://ochaopt.org/content/israeli-forces-operation-jenin-flash-update-1*](https://ochaopt.org/content/israeli-forces-operation-jenin-flash-update-1)  [*https://ochaopt.org/content/israeli-forces-operation-jenin-situation-report-1*](https://ochaopt.org/content/israeli-forces-operation-jenin-situation-report-1)  b.3.1. Describe as specific as possible when the crisis has started.  *Mention specific dates if possible.* P*rovide documentation for this.*  The Israeli military invaded Jenin Refugee Camp late Sunday night on the 2nd of July 2023. The attack lasted for two days with the military withdrawing from the camp Tuesday morning the 4th of July.  [*https://www.therevolutionspromise.com/take-action*](https://www.therevolutionspromise.com/take-action)  [*https://english.almayadeen.net/latestnews/2023/7/3/al-mayadeen-correspondent:-israeli-bombing-targets-the-freed*](https://english.almayadeen.net/latestnews/2023/7/3/al-mayadeen-correspondent:-israeli-bombing-targets-the-freed)  [*https://www.democracynow.org/2023/7/5/jenin\_israel\_assault*](https://www.democracynow.org/2023/7/5/jenin_israel_assault)  b.3.2. How could DERF grants make a difference for the crisis affected population?  *Please consider the following points:*   * *Rapid disbursement* * *Short intervention (0-9 month)* * *Meeting needs of hard to reach populations not catered for by other donors*   In response to the described situation, we would like to support (short intervention 3-6 months) in providing psychosocial support to children in Jenin. This grant has the potential to make a significant difference in the well-being of the community, particularly the children who have experienced the trauma. By focusing on providing psychosocial support, the Freedom Theatre can play a vital role in helping children cope with the emotional and psychological impacts of the attack. It can restore hope, promote resilience, and contribute to the overall well-being and security of the affected individuals.  We will focus specifically on providing psychosocial support to children and recreational activities dealing with trauma. To this end, the following measures are needed:  Trained psychosocial support staff: Hire or train dedicated staff members with expertise in child psychology and trauma-informed care. These professionals should have the skills to assess and address the specific psychosocial needs of children affected by conflict and trauma.  Art therapy and expressive activities: Introduce art therapy sessions, allowing children to express themselves creatively through various art forms like drawing, painting, or music.  Conduct drama or theatre workshops, enabling children to engage in role-playing and storytelling as a means of exploring emotions and building resilience.  Provide recreational activities like sports, games, and outdoor adventures that promote physical and emotional well-being.  Parent and caregiver support: Provide psychoeducational sessions and support groups for parents and caregivers, equipping them with strategies to understand and respond to their children's psychosocial needs.  Offer parenting workshops that focus on fostering resilience and creating a nurturing environment for children affected by trauma.  Continuous Program Evaluation: Regularly assess the effectiveness of psychosocial support programs through feedback from children, parents, and caregivers.  Monitor the well-being and progress of children participating to identify areas for improvement and ensure their evolving needs are met. |