



UNITED NATIONS

Office of the UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator in Kenya

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Dear Ms. Amos,

As you are aware, the drought-inflicted humanitarian crisis in the Horn of Africa has had a severe impact on populations in northern Kenya. To meet the rapidly increasing needs, the humanitarian community in Kenya has intensified its engagement in coordination and delivery of humanitarian assistance.

To this effect, I wish to inform you that the UN Country Team for Kenya has agreed to the coordination arrangements attached herewith. This is an effort to maximize our capacity and technical expertise in support of the Government of Kenya, which remains the overall lead for the drought response.

These arrangements are also in line with the agreement to entrust coordination leadership to the Kenyan authorities as the humanitarian crisis following the 2007/08 post-election violence declined.

Formalizing these arrangements will serve to further support and strengthen the Government's emergency response, while also ensuring full inclusion of the NGO and the civil society community.

Please note that regarding accountabilities of the international sector co-leads, these arrangements adhere to the cluster approach as outlined by the IASC. Therefore I also expect the Global Cluster Leads to provide their usual support to the coordination of this response.

I would be grateful if you could communicate, at your earliest convenience, this decision to the IASC members for their information, approval and support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Aeneas C. Chuma', is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator

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UN COUNTRY TEAM HUMANITARIAN COORDINATION SECTORS

Sector/Cluster	Government Lead	Sector Co-lead
Food Aid	Ministry of Special Programme and Ministry of Northern Kenya and Arid Lands	WFP
Nutrition	Ministry of Public Health and Sanitation	UNICEF
Health	Ministry of Public Health and Sanitation <u>and</u> Ministry of Medical Services	WHO
Protection • Child Protection	Ministry of Justice Department of Child Services	Kenya National Commission of Human Rights and UNHCR UNICEF
Agriculture and Livestock	Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Livestock	FAO
Education	Ministry of Education	UNICEF Save the Children
WASH	Ministry of Water and Irrigation	UNICEF
Early Recovery	Ministry of State for Special Programming <u>and</u> National Disaster Operations Centre	UNDP
Multi-Sector Dadaab		UNHCR