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CONTEXT

On 15 August, the Prime Minister <u>announced</u> the vote of confidence in the plenary session of Congress held on 26 August. On 27 August, President Castillo's Ministerial Cabinet <u>received the vote of confidence</u> from Congress with 73 positive votes and 50 rejections.

The Superintendency of Migration <u>issued a resolution to revert the suspension of fines</u> targeting foreigners that could not regularize their migration situation due to the COVID-19 Emergency State. Fines that range from s/ 4.4 to s/ 44 (USD 1 to 11 approx.) per day applied as of 17 August.

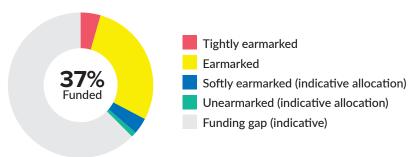
On 18 August, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Héctor Bejar, resigned after nineteen days of service due to the media and the Congress's negative remarks amid turmoil caused by his controversial comments about Shining Path (Sendero Luminoso) and the alleged links between terrorism and the Marine. On 21 August, Óscar Maúrtua, diplomat and former Minister of Foreign Affairs during Toledo's administration, took office.

UNHCR PERU FUNDING UPDATE

As of 31 August

UNHCR's financial requirements 2021:

\$60.9 million



HIGHLIGHT

Adolescent Advocates on sexual rights and sensitization meet national authorities

UNHCR and its partner Plan International held a virtual meeting at the national level with authorities from the Ombudsman's Office, the Regional Directorate of Health (DIRESA) of Cuzco, Lima, Tacna and Tumbes, and the Women Centre from the Ministry of Women and Vulnerable Populations (CEM- MIMP), to evaluate the main achievements and next steps of the project "Advocate Adolescents". UNHCR has been enhancing the capacities of over 110 young Venezuelan and Peruvian advocates to inform on sexual rights, sensitize and help prevent SGBV, discrimination and harassment via social media, especially TikTok videos and sessions on the field.



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ASYLUM-SEEKERS, REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS SITUATION

To support the Superintendency of Migration, UNHCR is informing the refugee and migrant communities regarding the steps and requirements for the Temporary Residence Permit (CPP for its acronym in Spanish) and the Humanitarian Residence. Social media posts have reached **over 123,400 persons**. By the end of August, **132,000 persons** applied for the CPP and some **107,900 requests** were processed. Also, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs granted the Humanitarian Residency to more than **52,000 persons** and the Migration Office is processing over **20,000 Foreigner IDs** for asylum-seekers.

Over 140 families have been provided with orientation on the new regularization procedures in sessions with local authorities, the populations of concern, and community leaders. In Lima, UNHCR and volunteers from Unión Venezolana, USAID, Veneactiva and Woccu provided orientation on documentation to over 45 families, while 30 families attended sessions by UNCHR and partner Encuentros. In Tacna, UNHCR, local authorities, IOM and partners provided orientation to 30 families. In Tumbes, UNHCR, the Ministry of Women and Vulnerable Populations and partners co-led an informative session for some 35 families, including community leaders.

UNHCR and partner Encuentros organized an informative webinar with the Ministry of Labor on different capacity-development activities and job opportunities available for persons with disabilities. Some **700 persons** were reached online.

UNHCR supported its partner HIAS and the Municipality of Lima on the initiative "Integrando Talentos," a series of five entrepreneurship fairs that take place in Lima from August to December. Some **150 entrepreneurs** will participate, including 50 from the host community, providing access to new markets, networks, and income opportunities. On 21 August, the opening took place with **30 entrepreneurs**, half of them refugees and migrants. Some **600 people** attended over the weekend.

UNHCR Response

REMOTE SUPPORT

- UNHCR and partners CAPS, Caritas, Encuentros, HIAS, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Plan International answered some 48,850 calls and messages via the free-toll hotlines to offer orientation and assistance in protection, education, documentation, and shelter. More than 16,300 of these have focused on legal orientations with partners Aldeas Infantiles, Caritas, Encuentros, HIAS, and PROSA.
- Some 12,600 protection cases have been followed-up through specialized case management services of UNHCR and partners.

HUMANITARIAN CASH BASED ASSISTANCE (CBI)

- Some 13,250 people received CBI to cover basic needs such as food, health, as well as seed capital to support business initiatives through partners ACF, Aldeas Infantiles, Caritas, Encuentros, HIAS, IFRC, and Plan International supported by UNHCR for some USD 951,000. Most beneficiaries are located in Arequipa, Cuzco, Lima, Madre de Dios, Piura, Tacna, Trujillo, and Tumbes.
- As part of the livelihoods' strategy, some 5,980 persons participated in workshops led by UNHCR and some received orientation to enhance their capacities to access decent work, learn about their rights and complaint mechanisms to report exploitation and abuse in the labor market.

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UNHCR and its partner HIAS launched an open call to support refugee and migrant doctors in meeting
the requirements to be formally inserted in the Peruvian market via a previous validation of their
degrees in the country. This initiative is part of UNHCR's efforts to support around 350 Venezuelan
health professionals to join the ranks in Peru with the support of Canada and Italy.

BASIC NEEDS AND SHELTER

- Some 780 refugees and migrants have been supported daily at the 13 supported shelters and hotels in Arequipa, Lima, Tacna, and Tumbes. Also, some 92,000 food rations have been provided.
- Some **16,430** persons received kits distributed by UNHCR and partners, including hygiene, winter, food, and baby products, as well as those to cover SGBV survivors' needs. These kits have been essential during the pandemic for the most vulnerable families to cover their basic needs. Additionally, some **8,800** thermal blankets have been distributed in key cold regions in preparation for the winter season.



- Some 9,880 psychosocial support activities have been provided through partners ACF, Aldeas Infantiles, CAPS, Caritas, HIAS, Scalabrinians, and PROSA. Also, over 4,680 persons have been supported on their access to the national Health System (SIS for its acronym in Spanish) by UNHCR and partners ACF, Caritas, Encuentros and PROSA.
- UNHCR and partners have carried out some 350 HIV/AIDS consultations through partner PROSA in Lima and Tumbes for populations of concern in need of a space for treatment and assistance while other health centres were either outstretched or fully busy with COVID-19 cases.
- To enhance the capacities of the national health system in Arequipa, Cuzco, Tacna, and Tumbes, out of the 35 RHUs Refugee Housing Units installed, 29 have been donated to hospitals and clinics in Peru.

THANK YOU, ITALY FOR YOUR LIFE-SAVING CONTRIBUTION!



UNCHR is grateful to the life-saving contribution provided by Italy amid pandemic times to strengthen the capacities of health professionals, the national hospitals, and clinics, enhance the reach of health assistance and provide families with hygiene and sanitation kits. Italy's contribution has been most welcome by the many refugee and migrant families as well as the host community in times where joint efforts to take care of our health are particularly needed.

COORDINATION

UNHCR is co-leading the emergency coordination response for refugees and migrants through the **GTRM** composed by over 80 partners including donors and IFIs together with IOM. The GTRM is coordinating with the Humanitarian Network and has been holding coordination meetings on Cash Based Interventions (CBI), protection, health, information management and communications, as well as basic needs (shelter, food security and food distribution) with all sector leads to operationalize and channel assistance.

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