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Update on the Roadmap & the Camp closure.

The **RC** went through a recap of the actions taken since the announcement of the camp closure plan at the beginning of 2024. This included a meeting with MoMD, which was followed by a letter to express concerns related to timing and inclusion. Additionally, the finalized key messages letter was shared with MoMD just last week.

The RC had discussions with the KRI MoI minister and MoMD minister. They agreed to review the road map in a way that aligns with the COM's decision. However, the RC didn't commit to the given deadline and also raised the issue of the inclusion of all IDPs. An action plan is set to be developed for the implementation of the roadmap. The plan will delve into the details of various camps, including their location, population, and other relevant information. This data is readily available with several UN agencies and will be used to inform the development of the action plan.

RCO DS Advisor-Islam shared that a UN drafting team would look at the revised version of the roadmap, mainly to 1) incorporate all government commitments and the inclusion of in-camp and out-camp IDPs and make sure that this is reflected in the document. 2) what are the government measures to implement those commitments? 3) what are the UN recommendations for streamlining better practices to ensure consistency and coherency in the implementation of these commitments?

It is crucial to continue advocating in Baghdad about the Ministry of Education's decision to close all the Directorates and KRI. It is also important to engage with the KRG to understand the implications of this decision and work towards finding a solution.

During a recent meeting, the RC mentioned that Robert Piper, the Secretary General's Special Adviser on Durable Solutions, would visit Iraq after Ramadan. The purpose of Mr. Piper's visit is to assess the progress that Iraq has made on IDPs issues. It was also mentioned that there is a possibility of a special session being held at the General Assembly in September to discuss this matter.

The **RC** discussed the possibility of hosting an event to launch the roadmap in the presence of the GOI and KRG.

The **British embassy** enquired about contingency planning in case access to the camps is halted after the closure deadline in July, as well as the cooperation between the GOI and KRI.

The RC responded that the contingency planning intended to look at the needs of those inside camps or left without durable solutions. There are two scenarios here:

- 1- Everything will be halted at those camps, and if KRG claims that they don't have sufficient resources, the international community may be asked to step in to fill the gap.
- 2- Some people might stay, and we might be running into second displacement.

The RC provided an update on the field visits conducted at IDP camps and informal sites in Anbar, Suly, Erbil, Duhok, Sinjar, and the east Mosul camps. The purpose of these visits was to gather the IDPs' perspective on the government's decision to facilitate their return. During the field visits, the RC observed that shelter and livelihood sectors are key obstacles to solutions more than any other sectors.

During the visits conducted, it was found that people have started returning to Sinjar spontaneously and also with the help of IOM assisted voluntary movement program. The RC met with Sinjar ABC and found that a comprehensive assessment of the needs is required in order to determine the necessary support and government intervention.

For Ashti camp, the majority of people were coming from SAD. It is important to know who is responsible for conducting assessments and determining the needs of the IDPs.

For Hasan Sham camp, there is a group of former detainees who might facing double jeopardy or additional charges. The RC has inquired about the amnesty law in parliament and whether it covers this group.

USAID suggested reaching out to ICRC to understand the position of these IDPs.

Action Points

1. RCO team to develop a one-pager with different agencies of what the contingency plan would entail. A team to work on it later within the DSTF.
2. RCO team to work with agencies on sharing input for the MoMD intention survey and provide support for the whole process.
3. Drafting team to review the road map and develop an operational plan.
4. RCO team to follow up with ICRC on the detainees in the East Mosul Camps.