OCHA Field Situation Report No. 1 Indonesia - Earthquake Yogyakarta Province 27 May 2006

This report is developed by HC/RC Office in Indonesia based on information provided by the Meteorology and Geophysics Agency (BMG), National Coordinating Board for the Management of Disaster (BAKORNAS PB), Indonesian Red Cross (PMI), Department of Social Affairs, Department of Health, World Health Organization (WHO), and media reports.

I. SITUATION

- 1.. An earthquake measuring 5.9 on Richter Scale at VII-VIII MMI (Modified Mercalli Intensity), hit Yogyakarta Province, on Saturday, 27 May, at 05:53:57 a.m. local time. The epicentre was located at 8.26S and 110.3E, approximately 37.2 km south of Yogyakarta at a depth of 33 kilometres. The most affected districts are Bantul and Kulonprogo to the south of Yogyakarta. The electricity is down and the airport in Yogyakarta is closed. The telephone lines were down for several hours immediately after the earthquake. Media reported that tremors were also felt in several cities in Semarang, Central Java Province, and slightly damaged some houses in Ngawi, Madiun, Trenggalek, Kediri, Magetan, and Pacitan in East Java Province.
- 2.. Department of Social Affairs reported that up to 14:30 hours 1,467 persons are dead and 1,240 injured. OCHA Regional Disaster Response Adviser from the field reported that 1,935 persons dead, some 800 heavily injured, and 531 people with minor injuries. The number continues to rise.
- 3.. Situation is still unstable as aftershocks occur and people are staying outside in fear. The extent of damage is not known.

II. NATIONAL RESPONSES

- 1. President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono went to Yogyakarta today together with the Coordinating Minister for People's Welfare, Ministers of Social Affairs and Health, and BAKORNAS PB.
- 2. Department of Health deployed health teams today. In coordination with rapid response team from Health Office in Surabaya they have sent 7 teams of medical staff.
- 3. Department of Social Affairs has been preparing a rapid response team to join Health Office in Yogyakarta for evacuation. They have erected emergency tents, operated public kitchens in coordination with local government and PMI/IFRC. On 27 May they have sent 5,000 canned food, 5,000 bottles ketchup, 5,000 bottles chilli, 5,000 liters cooking oil, 5,000

blankets, 5,000 sarongs, 10,000 clothing, 50 units tents, 200 folding beds, 5 generators, 7 units field kitchen, and 5,000 mats.

4. PMI/IFRC Yogyakarta is carrying out an assessment of the situation. PMI is sending mobile clinics to the affected areas. Field hospitals will be established next to the crowded hospitals. IFRC has received a request for 1,000 family tents that they are mobilizing. All PMI/IFRC medical teams have been mobilized from Merapi IDP sites to respond to this emergency.

III. INTERNATIONAL RESPONSE

- 1. OCHA Indonesia has a team of two professional staff on the ground who are assessing the situation, helping SATKORLAK and SATLAK in establishing coordination structures and information centers, and advising on urgent humanitarian needs. OCHA team met with Yogyakarta Governor and was informed that medical teams and supplies were needed at initial stage to treat injured persons.
- 2. UN Disaster Management Team will meet this afternoon to discuss the situation.
- 3. WHO deployed one staff today and has sent six emergency kits, six basic kits, six surgical kits, medical supplies, and provided mobile clinic and five operational transportation vehicles. They will add ten more basic kits and two surgical kits.
- 4. The UN HC/RC Office in Jakarta will continue to be in direct contact with pertinent government and non-government institutions, as well as with the Indonesian Red Cross to monitor the situation.