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Earthquake Emergency Response Türkiye / Syria

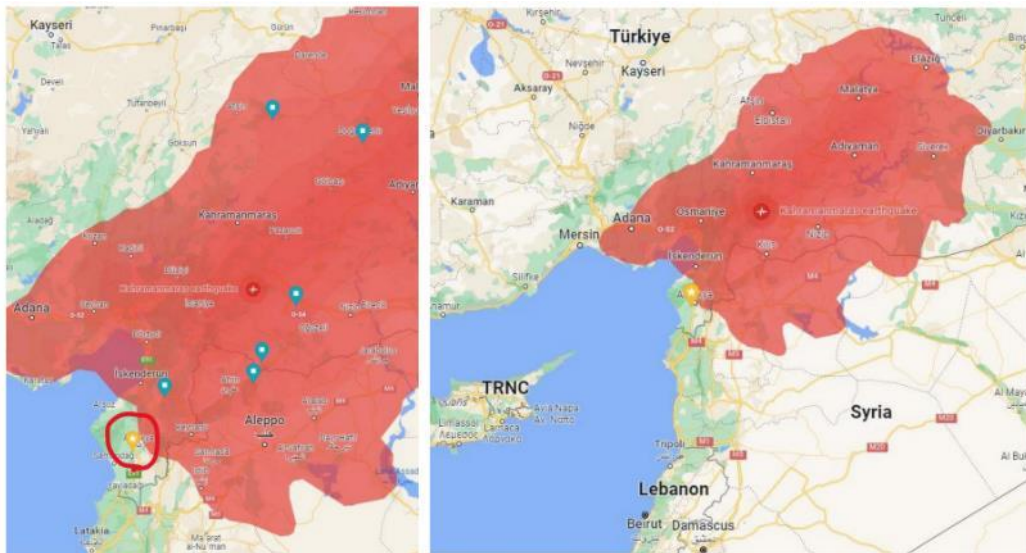
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Current Situation

Casualties Total killed 47.1k Government of Türkiye, UNOCHA	20 Feb	Buildings damaged 63.5k Government of Türkiye, UNOCHA	17 Feb	People affected estimated 18 million Government of Türkiye, UNOCHA	08 Feb	Temperature (min) Gaziantep 0°C Accuweather	21 Feb
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Tonight's 6.4-magnitude and 5.8-m aftershock further destroyed Hatay/Türkiye and was felt in NWS and Lebanon

New 6.4 and 5.8 magnitude earthquakes took place on 20.2.23

- 32 aftershocks recorded
- 295 injured
- More destroyed buildings reported in Hatay and additional deaths (before already 50% of buildings had been damaged)
- Province Adana under watch for possible seismic activities

[Source: IBC Report from 20.2.23](#)

MI relief activities ongoing.

Humanitarian Situation

- **UNOCHA [Flash Report from 19.2.23](#) and IBC [Report from 20.2.23](#):**
 - Over 5m people in need of humanitarian assistance in NW Syria and more than 86,000 displaced
 - 48000+ suspected cholera cases in Syria
 - Disruption due to power and water outages
 - Urgent need for food, shelter, and medicine
 - Turkiye: all search and rescue activities suspended after 13 days except for Kahramanmaras and Hatay
- Difficulties are caused by:
 - fractured **political situation**, which limits access and coordination in NW Syria
 - Logistical **bottlenecks** for incoming aid
 - Bad **winter weather**



Inspection of a collapsed building in Kilis

MI Response



6.2.



7.2.

Coordination, Communication, Press, Fundraising

Medical Assistance for injured in 7 hospitals

Deployment of MI Emergency Teams



**Rotation of Emergency Team
Members on 15.2.**

**Procurement of relief
goods**

**Cash transfers to allow for partner procurement in
Syria
(incl. Aleppo City)**

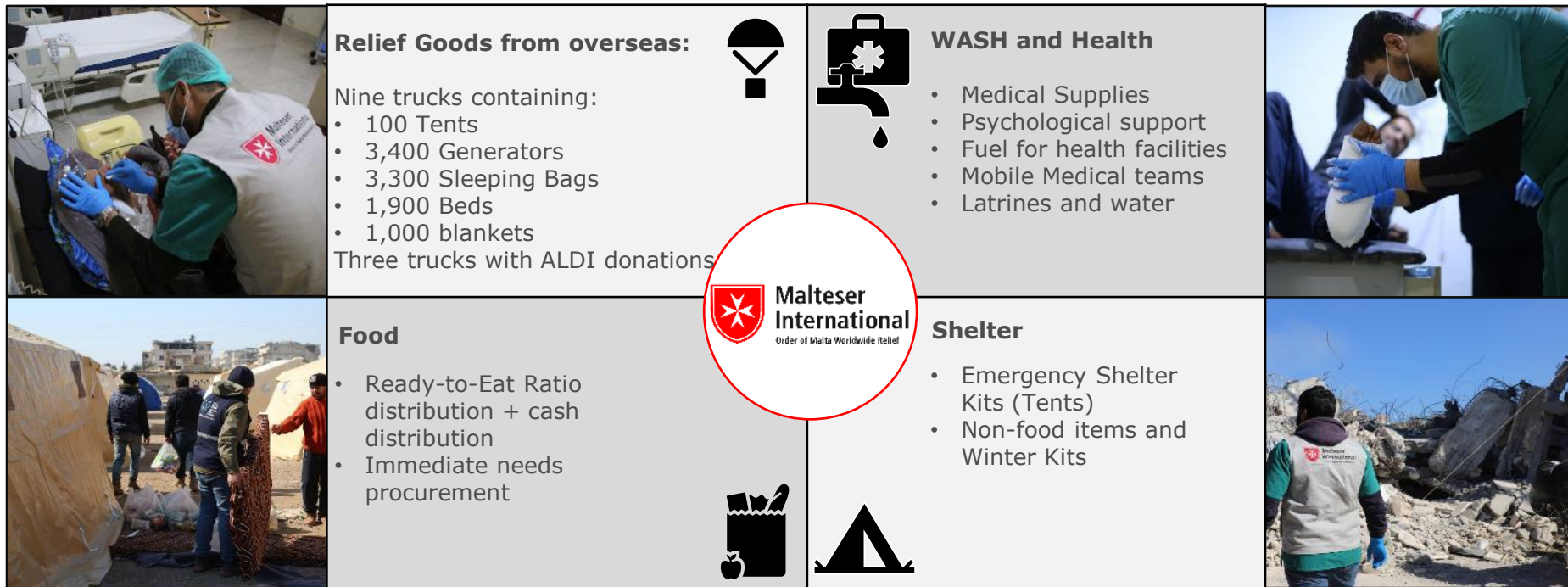


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Ongoing

Relief goods provided by MI



(Strict Turkish customs regulations in practice only permit the entry of newly procured and packaged relief goods. Collected items are unfortunately not permitted.)

Meeting with the German Ministers of Foreign- and Interior Affairs in Türkiye on 21.2.23



Left: Annalena Baerbock (Minister of Foreign Affairs)
Middle: Nancy Faeser (Minister of the Interior)
Right: Janine Lietmeyer (MI)



Credit: Auswärtiges Amt



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Post Deployment Report

MI Response Team I

7.12-14.12.2023



Field Visit to Kilis on 12.02



Left: Families find shelter on the central square in Kilis. At night time, fires are lit for warmth.
Right: Chimneys fallen to rubble in Kilis town.

Field Visit to Hatay on 10.02



Search and Rescue continues while debris is being cleared.

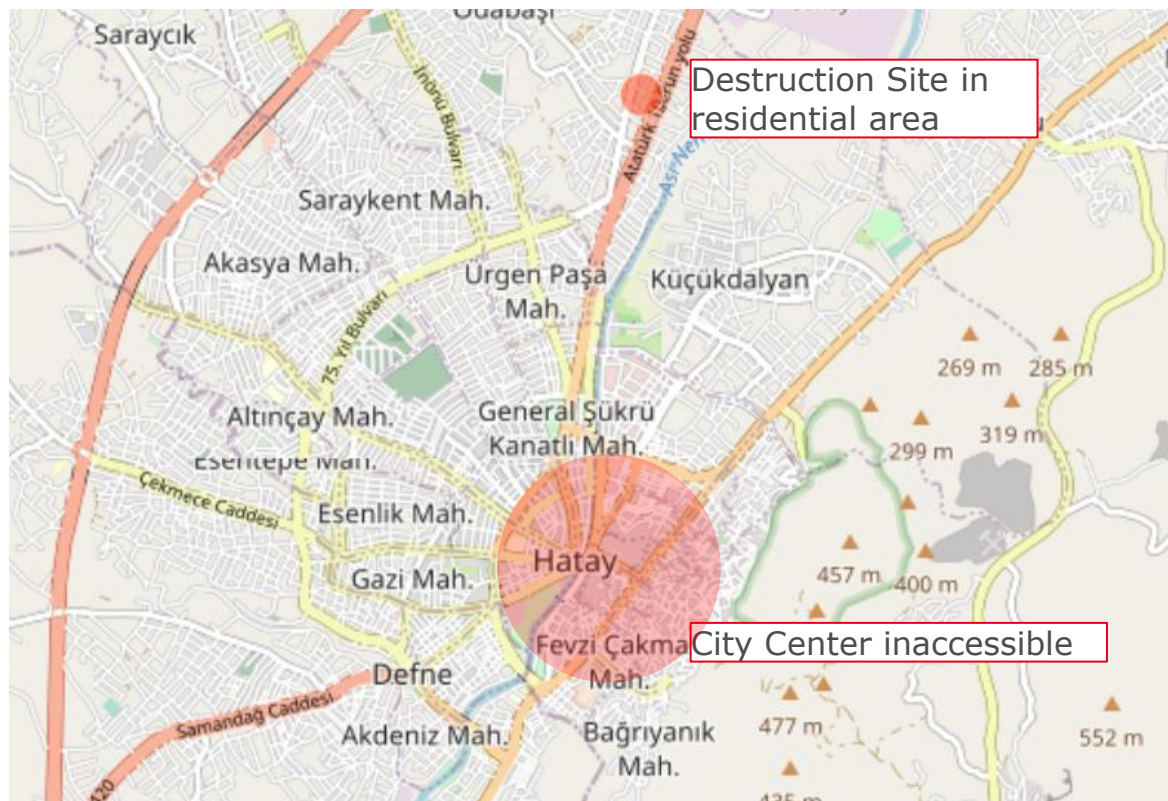
Left: Military tent set up to shelter civilians remaining in town. Approx. 70% Buildings are affected and not yet assessed to be still accessible.

Field Visit to Hatay on 10.02



Destroyed Infrastructure. Right: Large cracks are seen in the middle of the sports ground.

Key Locations Antakya



Field Visit to Antakya on 10.02



Left: Search and Rescue continues (site with more than 25 individuals still missing).
Right: Severely affected hospital.

Field Visit to Antakya on 10.02



Belongings scattered underneath collapsed Residential Buildings in Hatay /Antakya.

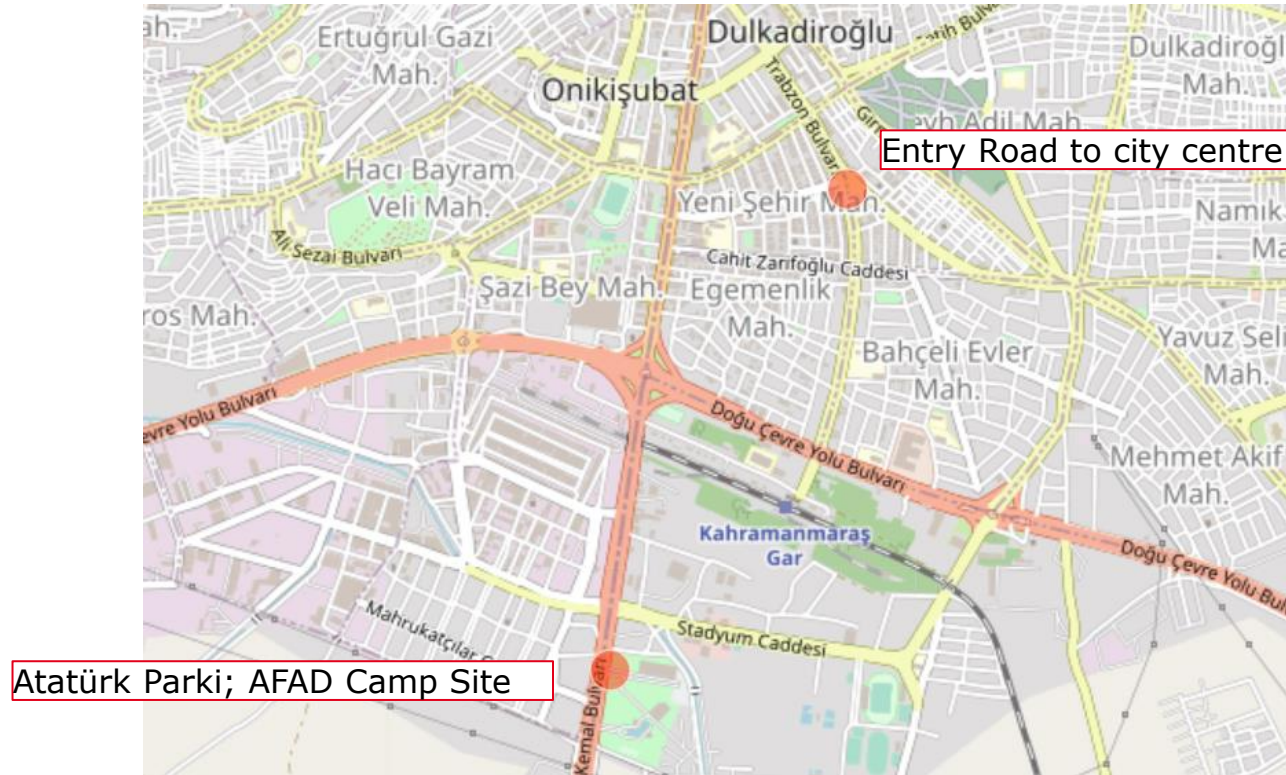
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Left: Information shared by MI staff on the situation in Hatay/ Antakya.

Right: Civilians shelter in outskirts of Antakya town. More than 85% of buildings are affected heavily.

Key Locations Kahramanmaraş



Visit to Kahramanmaraş on 12.02



Search and Rescue continues while debris is being cleared. Persons are suspected to be trapped underneath the rubble at approx. 160 hours after the quake.

Visit to Kahramanmaraş on 12.02 – City Center



Left: buildings have moved apart.

Right: Search and Rescue continues while debris is being cleared.

Visit to Kahramanmaraş on 12.02 - Atatürk Park



An ad hoc camp site with 1.000 tents was established days after the earthquake, coordination by AFAD.

Visit to Kahramanmaraş on 12.02 - Atatürk Park



Distributions by Türk Kızılay, private companies providing hot beverages, municipal support for soup kitchens, has been set up at the camp.

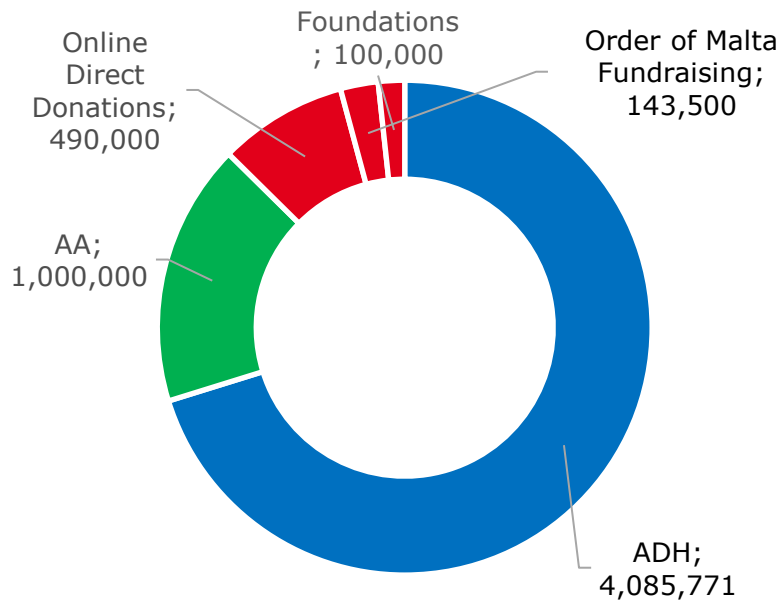
Visit to Kahramanmaraş on 12.02 - Atatürk Park



UMKE medical team at Atatürk Parki, Karamanmaras. 2 medical tents are available for estimated 8.000+ civilians.

Resources: Current MI Fundraising Result

Pledged Funding (EUR) 14.2.23



- ADH – MI Fundraising Alliance in Germany
- AA – German Federal Foreign Office
- Online Direct Donations – From MI and MHD websites
- Order of Malta Fundraising – Donations collected via Order of Malta Entities and forwarded to MI

Additional Fundraising Ongoing – please let us know what you raise so that we can add it to the total!

Further aid measures are being planned and will require medium and long-term resources beyond the emergency relief stage.

(Please note that this presentation does not include funds raised for the activities of other SOM entities such as France, Lebanon, or Hungary)

Media



CMI Emergency Team in Antakya



Visibility material taken by and for Malteser International

Certified Photos can be found [here](#)

Please follow this link for regular updates from our Media Coordinator on the Ground

This material is available to support your own communications and fundraising activities.

Statement from HE the Lieutenant

Following the terrible earthquake that struck in south-eastern Turkey, near the Syrian border, causing thousands of deaths, Fra' John Dunlap, Lieutenant of the Grand Master, issued the following statement on 7th February 2023:

"Our thoughts and sincere prayers are with all those who have lost their lives, their loved ones, and their livelihoods in the earthquakes affecting Turkey and Syria yesterday. We pray in particular for the relief workers from our aid agency, Malteser International (MI), who are already on the ground working hard to help save lives; as well as for the international team that will arrive to support them from Cologne, Germany, in the coming hours.



We encourage all members and donors of the Order of Malta who wish to [make a contribution](#) to support the work of MI.

Our staff in Syria and Turkey have all been deeply personally affected by this disaster. Many have lost family and friends. Our thoughts are with them especially as they continue their work to serve others even in spite of their own circumstances.

This disaster will disproportionately affect the most vulnerable people. Many of them have been dealing daily with the effects of conflict and displacement since the outbreak of the Syrian Civil War more than a decade ago. We have been working to help them since 2012. And we remain committed to doing so for as long as is necessary. We hope that this terrible tragedy will be a reminder of our common humanity in the face of suffering and help bring an end to needless violence".



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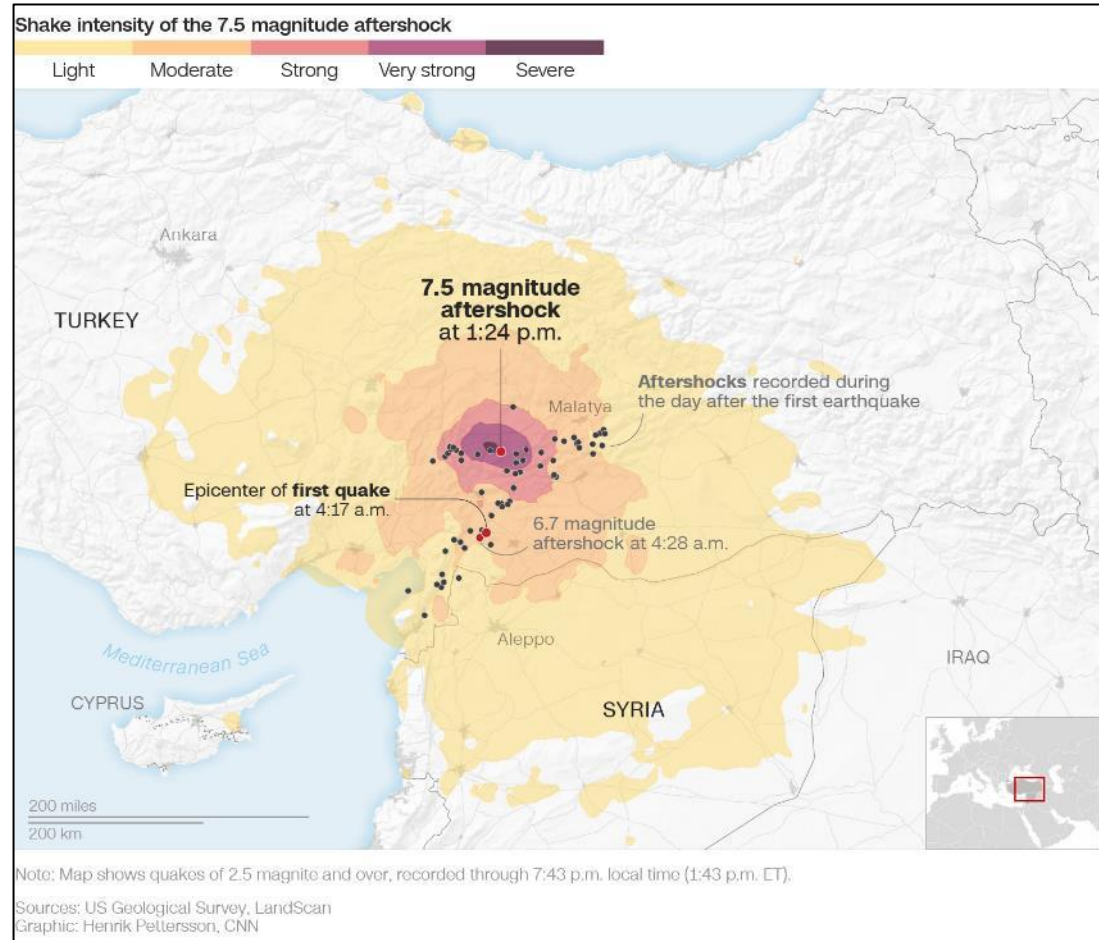
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Background Information

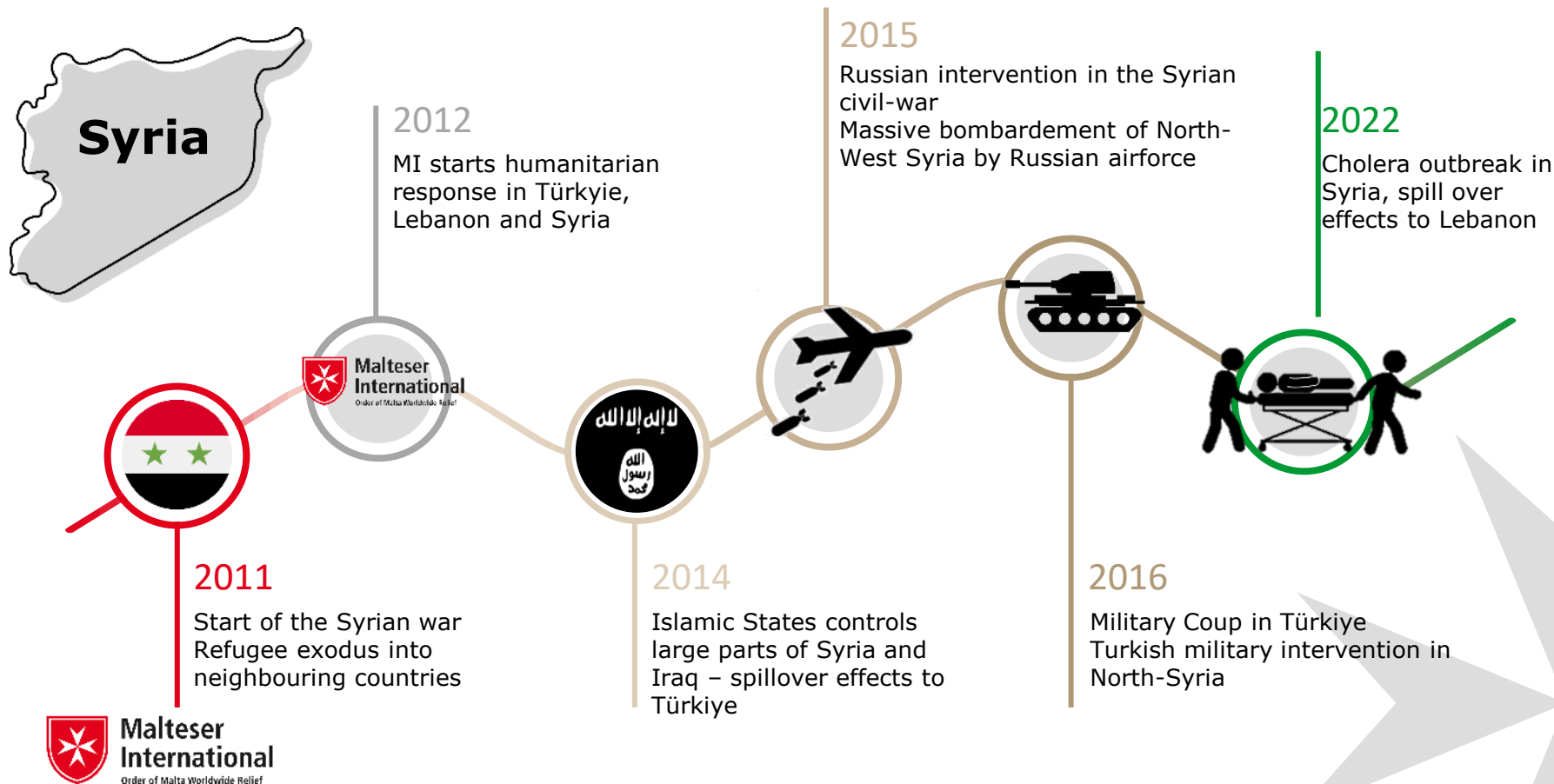
Trigger Event

6th February 2023, at 4:17 UCT a 7.8 magnitude earthquake hit the area of Southern Türkiye/Northern Syria, followed by several strong aftershocks:

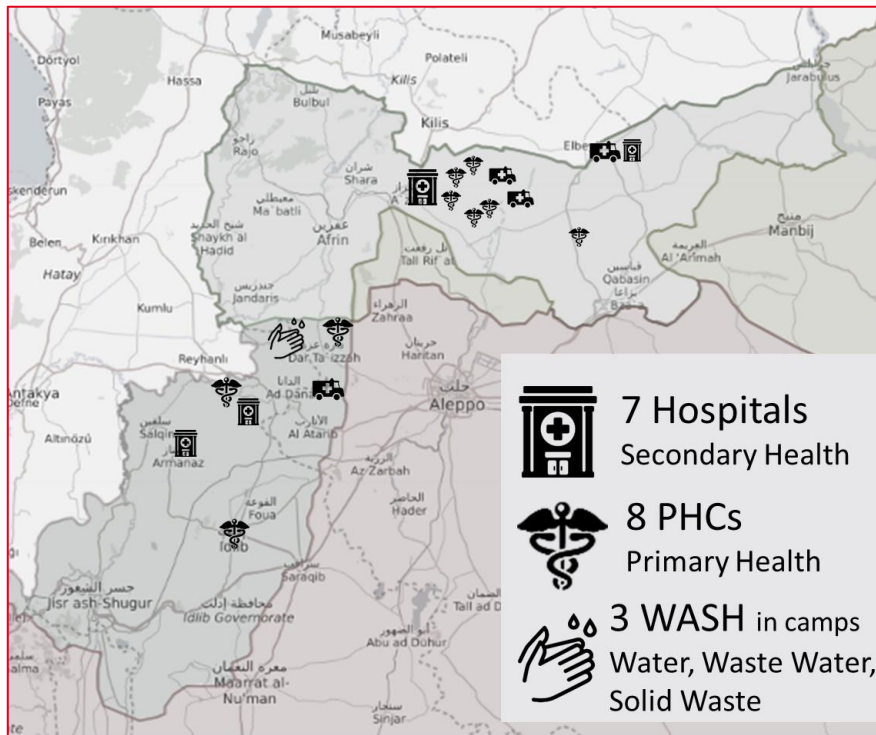
- Epicenter: Pazarcik, Region of Kahramanmaras, Türkiye
- The earthquake was also felt in Cyprus Lebanon, Syrian, Greece, Iraq, and Israel
- Most affected provinces: Gaziantep, Sanliurfa, Diyarbakir, Adana, Adiyaman, Malatya, Osmaniye, Hatay, and Kilis



MI Pre-positioning: More than ten years of aid

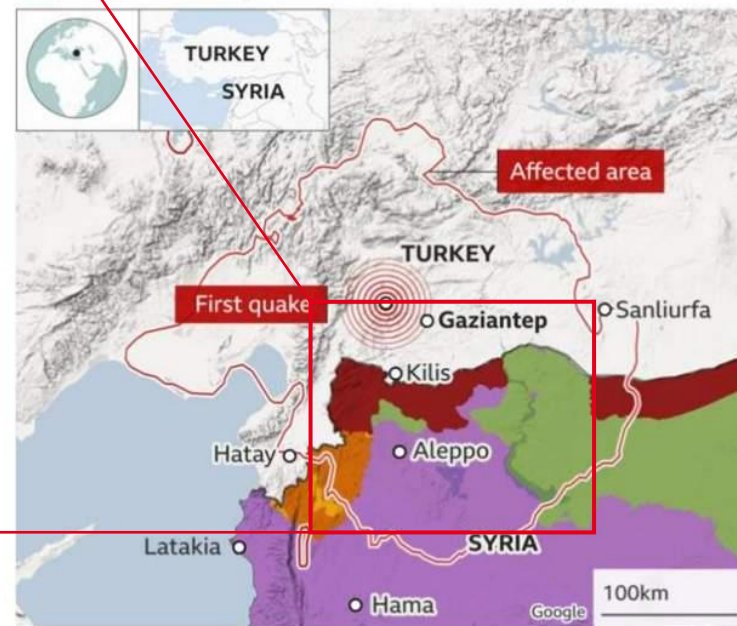


MI Pre-positioning: Political Situation



Who is in control in the region affected by the earthquake?

- Kurdish-led forces
- Syrian government
- Jihadist forces
- Syrian rebels
- Turkish-backed Syrian rebels and Turkish military



Source: Janes, 6 Feb 2023

Order of Malta Global Call on 12.2.



President Thierry comte de
Beaumont-Beynac (MI)



HE Amb Georg Graf von
Khevenhueller (MHD)



President Cedric Chalret du
Rieu (OMF)



Daniel Solymàri (HUN)



Patrick Jabre (LEB)



Information meeting for senior members of the Order of Malta (Presidents, Diplomats, Hospitallers, etc.) from around the world took place on **Sunday 12.2.23 at 19:30 CET**

Agenda included:

- Update by all Order of Malta organizations involved in providing aid to Syria and Turkey
- Testimony from the field and MI affected staff
- Questions and answers

Our sincere thanks go out to all speakers (left)!

The video of the call is available to view [HERE](#).

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Other Order of Malta Responses: The Southern Axis



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- First scoping mission to Aleppo complete, huge need confirmed
- Access to provide aid and medical support currently not in place due to political situation – solutions being explored including work via partners
- Support being provided by OMF, coordination with other entities



ORDRE DE MALTE
FRANCE

- Support and close cooperation with OML. First aid provided via members of the French Association in Aleppo. Cooperation set to increase.
- Volunteers and response forces placed on high alert, volunteers to be dispatched to support OML efforts
- Work to open humanitarian corridor via Beirut together with OML to provide medicines and aid to Syria. International donations are encouraged.



Hungarian Charity Service
of the Order of Malta

- Liaison officer dispatched to support the connection between Hungarian Relief operations and longstanding Order of Malta partners in Syria
- Financial assistance and local procurement to support local partners in Syria (primarily churches)



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