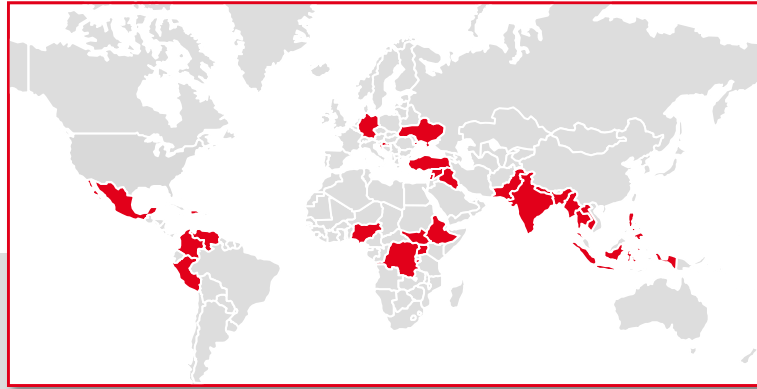




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# Earthquake Emergency Response Türkiye / Syria

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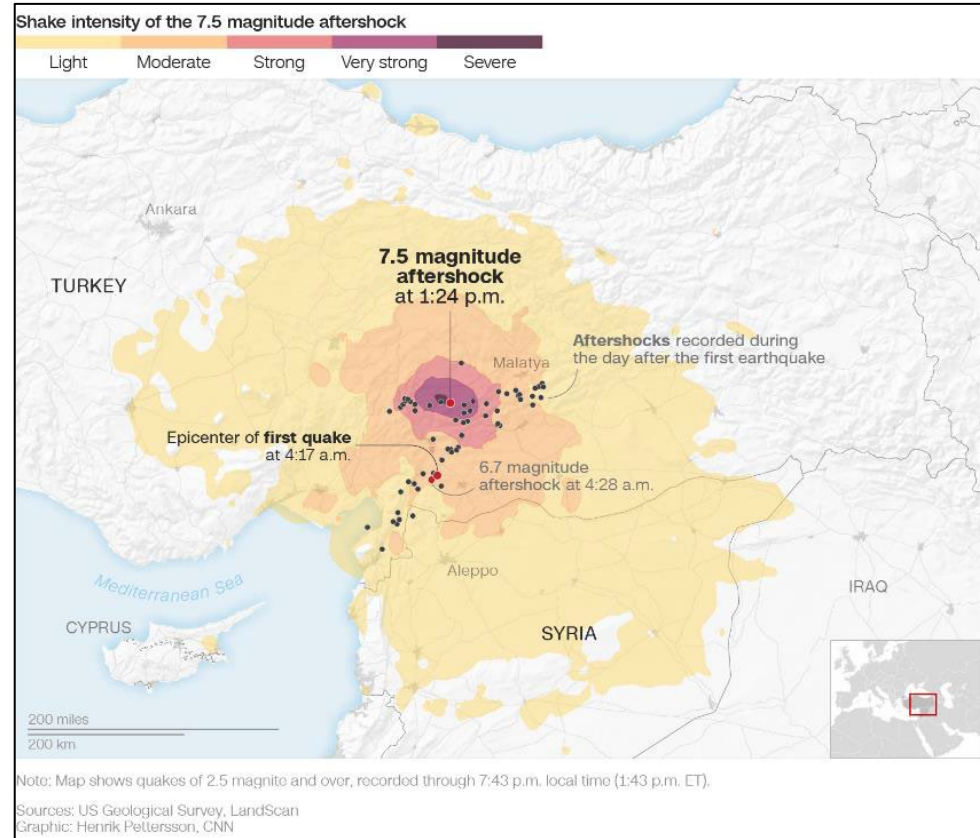
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# Trigger Event

**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, Diyarbakır, Adana, Adiyaman, Malatya, Osmaniye, Hatay, and Kilis
- 6.4 earthquake on 20.2 with >32 aftershocks reported



# Humanitarian Situation

- **UNOCHA Flash Reports from 28.2.23 and 27.2.23**

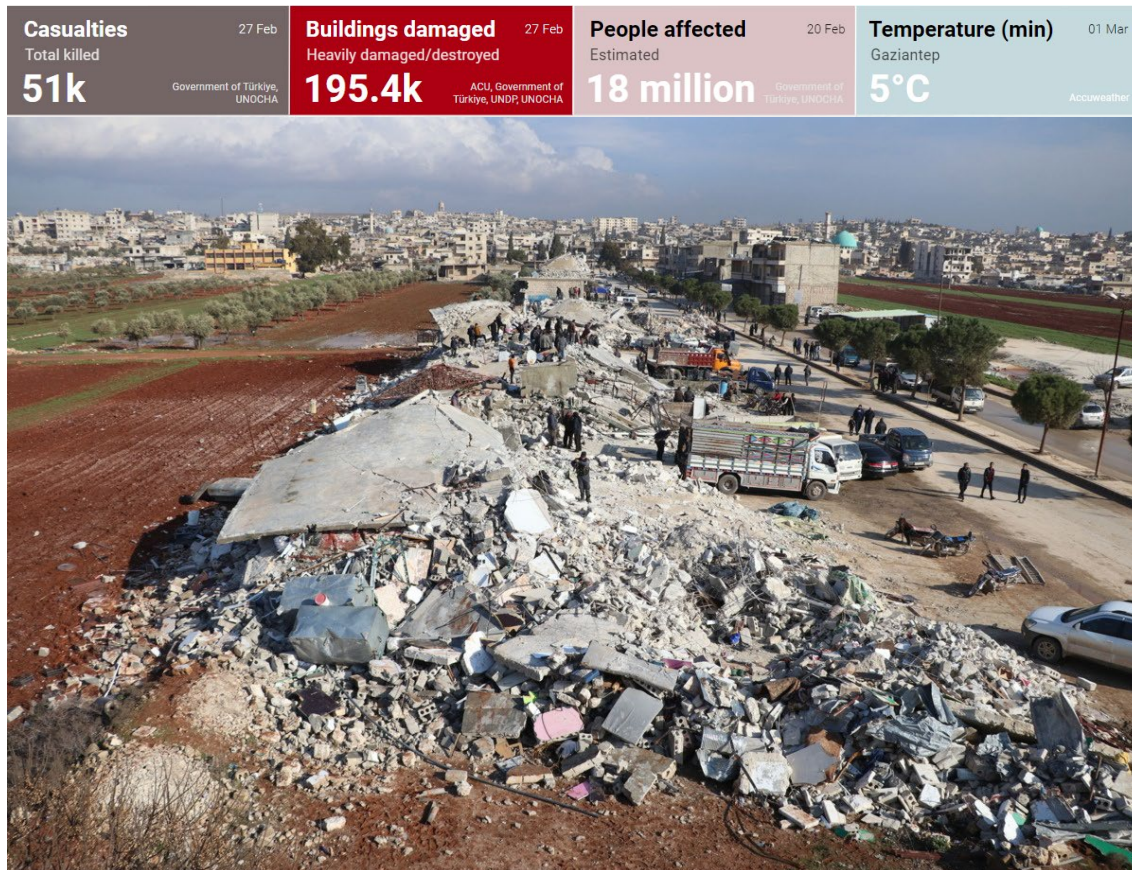
- **& Logistics Cluster Report from 24.2.23**

## Türkiye:

- No major bottlenecks for imports into Türkiye and from Türkiye to NW Syria
- No EMT sent due to increasing improvement of healthcare provision
- Insufficient number of tents and food
- 2.2m have left the area

## Syria:

- 2m severely affected
- Active shelling reported in Idlib amidst ongoing earthquake relief efforts
- 50,000+ Cholera cases
- Procurement of medical supplies increasingly challenging, adding to dire health situation



Destruction in Al Atareb, Western Aleppo

See Livetracker by IMMAP/ DRC/IFRC for most recent updates: <https://turkiyeeq.thedeep.io/>

# MI Response



**Coordination, Communication, Press, Fundraising**

**Medical Assistance for injured in 7 hospitals**



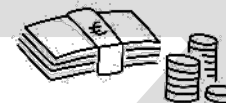
**Deployment of MI Emergency Teams**

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











**Procurement of relief goods**

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



**Ongoing**

# Relief goods provided by MI

	<b>Relief Goods from overseas:</b>  11 trucks containing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 130 Tents</li><li>• 4,400 Generators</li><li>• 6,300 Sleeping Bags</li><li>• 1,900 Beds</li><li>• 1,000 blankets</li><li>• Clothing</li></ul> Three trucks with ALDI donations	<b>WASH and Health</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Medical Supplies</li><li>• Psychological support</li><li>• Fuel for health facilities</li><li>• Mobile Medical teams</li><li>• Latrines and water</li></ul>	
	<b>Food</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ready-to-Eat Ratio distribution &amp; cash distribution</li><li>• Immediate needs procurement</li></ul>	<b>Shelter</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Emergency Shelter Kits (Tents)</li><li>• Non-food items and Winter Kits</li></ul>	

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

# Other Order of Malta Responses: The Southern Axis



- 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



- 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.



# Southern Axis: Hungarian Charity Service Response



- 14 tons of donations along with several tons of medicine delivered to Türkiye on February 27th
- Collection of donations for Syria underway in Hungary
- Personally thanked by the President of Hungary at the Presidential Palace in Budapest
- In cooperation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs several tons of medicine sent to Türkiye and delivered by Minister of Foreign Affairs, Péter Szijjártó



# Hungarian aid arriving



Photos: Hungarian Charity Service of the Order of Malta

# Hungarian aid arriving II



Photo: Hungarian Charity Service of the Order of Malta

# Media



Photograph by Jindris Afrin for MI- Man walking through rubble

## 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".



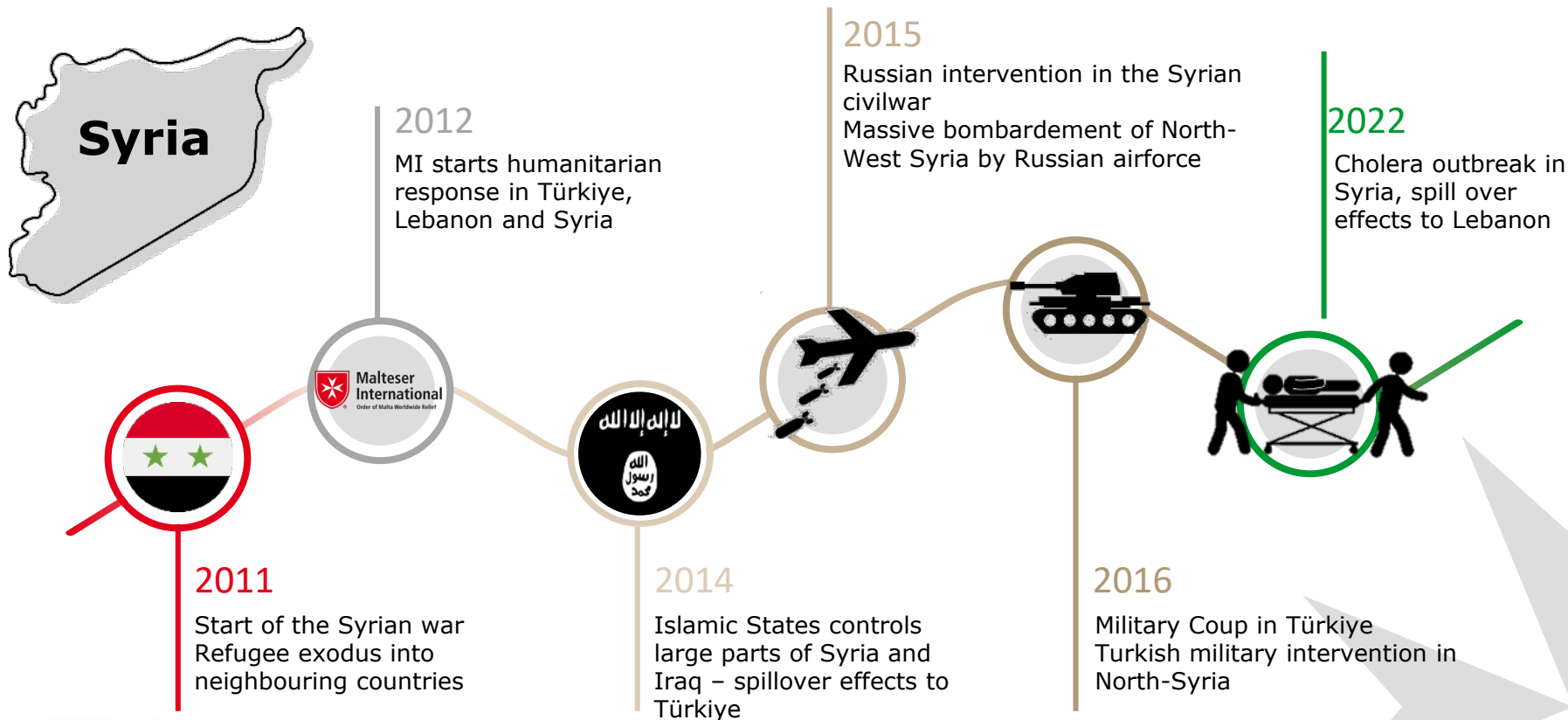
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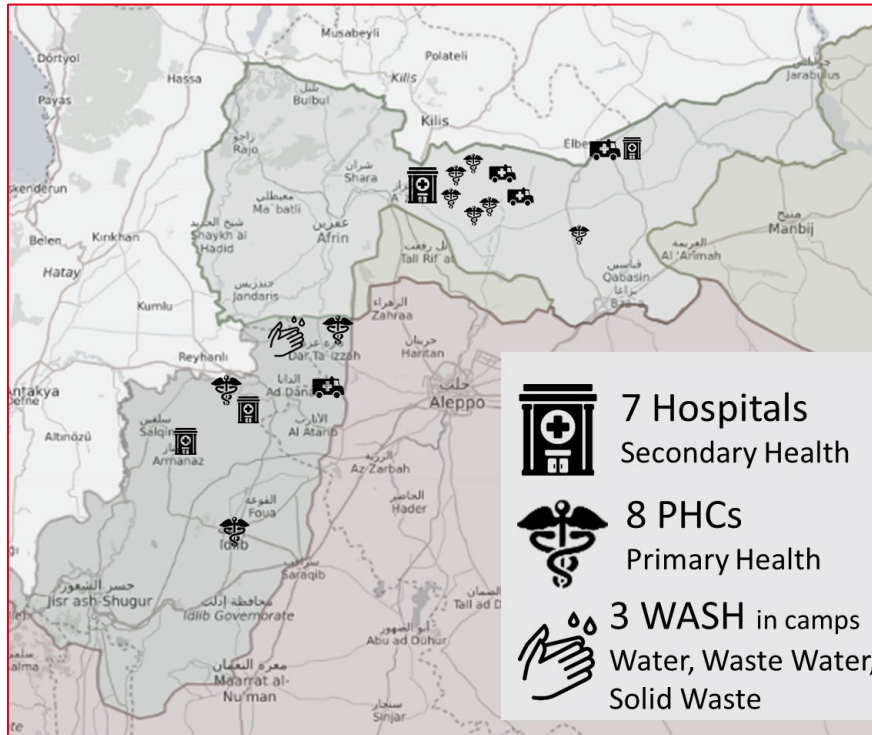
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## Background Information

# MI Pre-positioning: More than ten years of aid

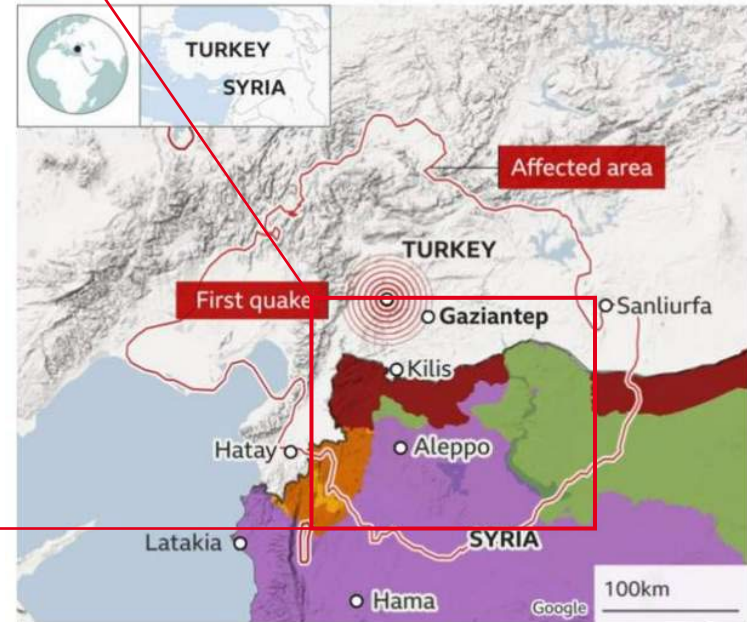


# MI Pre-positioning: Political Situation



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

BBC

# 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 Solymári (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 Türkiye
- 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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# Post Deployment Report

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**MI Response Team I**  
**2.7-14.2023**



## Field Visit to Kilis on 2.12



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 2.10



Search and Rescue continues while debris is being cleared.

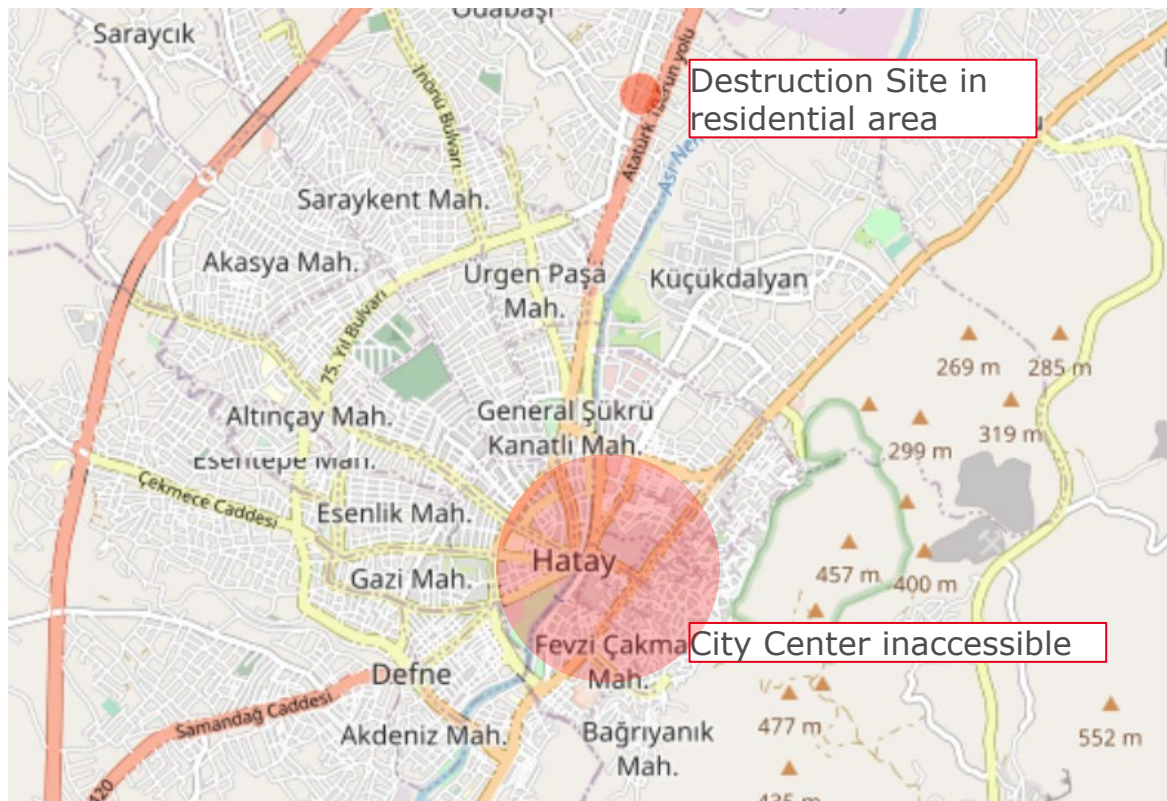
Left: Military tent set up to shelter civilians remaining in town. Approx. 70% Buildings are affected and not yet assessed to be still accessible.

## Field Visit to Hatay on 2.10



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

# Key Locations Antakya



## Field Visit to Antakya on 2.10



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

## Field Visit to Antakya on 2.10



Belongings scattered underneath collapsed Residential Buildings in Hatay /Antakya.

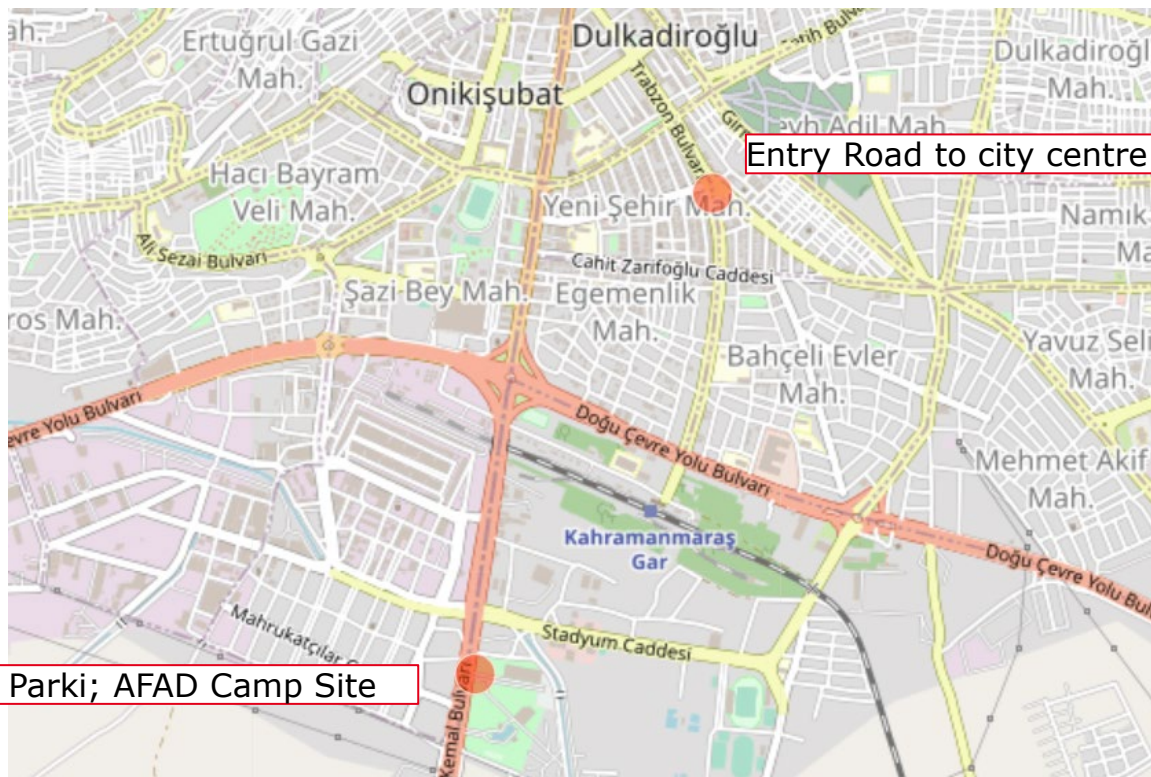
## Field Visit to Antakya on 2.10



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 2.12



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 2.12 – City Center



Left: buildings have moved apart.

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

## Visit to Kahramanmaraş on 2.12 - Atatürk Park



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

## Visit to Kahramanmaraş on 2.12 - 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 2.12 - Atatürk Park



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