



## **Bi-Weekly Press Briefing: Eastern Ukraine Humanitarian Update OCHA**

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**Shotlist**

## **STORY: North-Eastern Ukraine Humanitarian Update - OCHA**

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## SHOTLIST

1. Medium shot, UN Geneva flag alley.
2. Wide shot, press room with panel of speakers, cameraman lines up shot in foreground.
3. **SOUNDBITE (ENGLISH) OCHA, Deputy Spokesperson, Jens Laerke: “More than 73,000 people, and that's nearly half of the population in the retaken areas in Kharkivska oblast have received food assistance. We've also distributed 12,000 hygiene kits and kitchen sets, solar lamps and blankets to 15,000 people.”**
4. Medium shot, journalist looking at laptop, another participant to rear.
5. **SOUNDBITE (ENGLISH) OCHA, Deputy Spokesperson, Jens Laerke: “Our access to these areas that we have now follows several months of intense fighting. Nearly 140,000 people are believed to remain in the towns, villages and settlements in areas where control has changed, but they have extremely limited access to food, water, gas, electricity and medical services.”**
6. Close-up, hands of journalist typing.
7. **SOUNDBITE (ENGLISH) OCHA, Deputy Spokesperson, Jens Laerke: “In Iziium, some 8,000 to 9,000 people remain there in that town, that’s down from its original population of around 46,000 people. And those remaining are completely dependent on humanitarian aid to survive.”**
8. Medium shot, participants and TV screen showing speakers.
9. **SOUNDBITE (ENGLISH) OCHA, Deputy Spokesperson, Jens Laerke: “Markets and shops in Iziium have been destroyed or are closed. Families gather in the main town square to exchange their possessions and supplies to meet their basic needs.”**
10. Medium shot, journalists taking notes.
11. Close up shot, hands typing on laptop keyboard.
12. Medium shot, journalist taking notes in foreground, participant to rear.

## Story

### **Aid relief reaches Ukraine towns and cities reclaimed from Russian control**

Urgently needed aid relief has reached areas of north-east Ukraine recently reclaimed from Russian control amid ongoing fighting, [UN humanitarians](#) said on Friday.

More than 73,000 people in Kharkiv oblast have now received food assistance, which is nearly half of the population in the retaken areas.

Villages and settlements across the oblast that are back under Ukrainian government control are unable to meet even their most basic needs, according to the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs ([OCHA](#)).

“Our access to these areas follows several months of intense fighting,” said OCHA spokesperson Jens Laerke. “Nearly 140,000 people are believed to remain in the towns, villages and settlement in areas where control has changed, but they have extremely limited access to food, water, gas, electricity and medical services.”

### **Izium latest**

In the town of Izium, the eight to 9,000 people still there are “completely dependent” on humanitarian aid to survive, Mr. Laerke continued.

Markets and shops have been destroyed or are closed, and families “gather in the main town square” to exchange possessions and supplies, to meet their basic needs, the OCHA spokesperson explained.

### **‘Frequent’ fighting in Kupiansk**

Further north and at the edge of Luhansk oblast, the town of Kupiansk is today home to 4,000 people, compared with the pre-war population of 28,000.

“Hostilities and fighting are still frequent there,” OCHA reported, adding that aid convoys have delivered food, water, essential household items, medicines and health services to Izium and Kupiansk, where volunteer groups have responded, too.

In addition to food assistance, OCHA has coordinated the distribution of 12,000 hygiene kits and kitchen sets, solar lamps and blankets to 15,000 people.

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