



## UN Mission for Ebola Emergency Response (UNMEER) External Situation Report

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### KEY POINTS

- In Liberia, 6 cases now confirmed
- In Sierra Leone, more new cases in Western Area Urban
- Local media praise Presidents for making a compelling case at Post-Ebola Conference

### Key Political and Economic Developments

1. Before departing Guinea to attend the International Ebola Recovery Conference at the UN headquarters in New York, President Alpha Condé met with UNMEER, UN Agencies and international EVD response partners to discuss response challenges. At the meeting, President Conde called for an effective implementation of the strategies of 'cerclage' and 'microcerclage' to discourage movement of individuals on contact list. He recommended that, if possible, more individuals should be encouraged to participate in vaccine trials as a way to contain the disease.

### Response Efforts and Health

2. In total, 27,600 confirmed, probable and suspected cases of Ebola have been reported in the three most affected countries. There have been 11,253 reported deaths.
3. Over the weekend (Saturday and Sunday) Sierra Leone's National Ebola Response Centre (NERC) reported 8 new confirmed cases: 7 were confirmed in Western Area Urban and 1 in Kambia District. The spike in cases in Western Area has prompted NERC to update its Communication Strategy. To combat complacency, the updated strategy consists of actionable messages for national and district level audiences.
4. In Liberia, there are currently 6 confirmed EVD cases, including 2 deaths. A new case confirmed on Sunday, 12 July, died on arrival at the Eternal Love Winning Africa Ebola Treatment Unit. The deceased was among those on contact list, but was found in Paynesville, Monserrado County. The Ministry of Health has called for a ramping up of response in Montserrado County. The source of transmission for the current outbreak is still under investigation. Over 132 contacts in Margibi and Montserrado Counties are being monitored.
5. In Guinea, WHO reports that as of 9 July, there were 90 community deaths, 88 of which were buried in safe and secure conditions (among which zero tested positive). Also, 2,686 (99%) out of 2,714 contacts are being actively followed. In total, since the beginning of the outbreak, there have been 3,753 confirmed, probable or suspected cases in Guinea, of which 2,505 (66.7%) have died. There are four active prefectures: Boke, Dubreka, Conakry and Forecariah, and one prefecture in alert: Coyah.
6. Local media in Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia have extensively reported deliberations at the 10 July International Ebola Recovery Conference in New York. Media reports have generally praised Presidents Alpha Condé of Guinea, Ellen Johnson Sirleaf of Liberia and Ernest Koroma of Sierra Leone for making a compelling case for support for post-Ebola recovery.

### Logistics

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7. For regular logistics operational information please visit <http://www.logcluster.org/ops/ebola14>.

### Resource Mobilisation

8. The OCHA Ebola Virus Outbreak Overview of Needs and Requirements, now totalling USD 2.27 billion, has been funded for USD 1.53 billion, which is around 67% of the total ask.
9. The Ebola Response Multi-Partner Trust Fund currently has USD 141 million in commitments.
10. All humanitarian partners, including donors and recipient agencies, are encouraged to inform OCHA's Financial Tracking Service (<http://fts.unocha.org>) of their contributions via the e-mail address: [fts@un.org](mailto:fts@un.org).
11. UNMEER Guinea ECM, Mr. Abdou Dieng, has discussed the current EVD situation with the Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation minister of the Netherlands, Ms. Lilianne Ploumen. Ms. Ploumen led a delegation to Guinea to explore trade and development cooperation in the region. The Netherlands recently opened up the Dutch Good Growth Fund for Liberia, Sierra Leone and Guinea to make it easier for small and medium-sized enterprises to obtain investment financing to boost sustainable development.

#### **Outreach and Education**

12. Port Loko District Ebola Response Centre (DERC) is promoting the benefits of quarantine and the potentially life-saving result of calling the emergency number 117 when people show Ebola-like symptoms. Also, the increase in the number of community engagement teams in Port Loko has encouraged self-policing within communities, according to the DERC.

#### **Essential Services**

13. Following difficulties in harmonising data on EVD orphans eligible for assistance in the Guinean Forest Region, UNICEF and UNMEER have planned to facilitate a meeting of stakeholders to harmonise the figures.

#### **Upcoming Events**

14. NTSR

#### **Attachments and resources**

15. Reliefweb: [Maps on the EVD response.](#)