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URGENT ACTION

ONGOING NEGOTIATIONS ON REFUGEES' CONDITION

Negotiations continue to find a solution for the circa 80,000 refugees stranded at the 'berm', a desert area located along the Jordan-Syria border. While concerns remain on the wellbeing of refugees, we are closing this Urgent Action pending new information.

On 17 August, Amnesty International issued an Urgent Action on the deteriorating condition for around 80,000 refugees, over half of whom aid agencies believe to be children, stranded in a desert area known as the 'berm' close to Jordan's Rukban and Hadalat border crossings with Syria. This follows the closure of the Jordanian border on 21 June following a suicide attack in the Rukban area.

Amnesty International continues to be concerned for the welfare of the refugees who have been stranded at the border for months with limited humanitarian assistance and without access to essential services or the right to claim asylum. However, as the situation is evolving we are closing this Urgent Action pending new information.

Amnesty International will keep monitoring this case closely. No further appeals should be sent to the Jordanian or US governments.

No further action is requested from the UA Network. Thank you to all those who sent appeals.

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