



TO: NEIL ROSS NEWITT, BALKAN AID RELIEF FOUNDATION

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**Subject: Report on the distribution of humanitarian aid collected and transported by
Balkan Aid Relief Foundation (BARF)
Banjaluka, Republika Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina: February 2008**

Dear Neil and all BARF members,

Within this report we would like to inform you about the distribution of aid by Genesis Project brought to Bosnia and Herzegovina by BARF in February 2008.

This was the seventeenth humanitarian convoy done by BARF. Genesis Project again had the pleasant duty to work with wonderful people from BARF. Aid, delivered by BARF and Genesis Project, to local NGO partners was very helpful to all of them. Genesis hopes that Rob and rest of the BARF crew were satisfied at the end of this BARF trip. Again, we want to use this opportunity to express our gratitude to wonderful people from BARF and for everything they have done so far. Thanks to BARF we were able to distribute huge amounts of humanitarian aid to a great number of people and institutions in need, here in Bosnia and Herzegovina and there are a large number of them.

Wonderful co-operation between Balkan Aid Relief Foundation (BARF) and Genesis Project started in June 2000. Since then, people from BARF have delivered seventeenth substantial shipments of humanitarian aid to Banja Luka and western part of Republika Srpska. This part of Bosnia and Herzegovina has a population of over 700,000 people.

First humanitarian aid convoy was realized in November 2000, second one in June 2001, third in October 2001, fourth convoy was realized in March 2002, fifth in October 2002, sixth in April 2003, seventh in June 2003, eighth in March 2004, ninth in December 2004, tenth in March 2005, eleventh in August 2005, twelfth in October 2005, thirteenth in February 2006, fourteenth in October 2006, fifteenth in February 2007, sixteenth was in October 2007.

Trustees of BARF with Mr. Neil Ross Newitt as Chairman organized all humanitarian aid convoys.

SEVENTEENTH B.A.R.F. HUMANITARIAN CONVOY

Day 1.

As always Tuesday was spent clearing Customs. It was just paper work. You know how these things are going. But with talk and little fun and jokes, the time went quickly. This time BARF convoy went first to the Motel "Jezero" for deserved rest. But, staff at the Motel "Jezero" didn't make reservation for BARF crew. Next surprise was that they don't have rooms available for next few days. Luckily not far away is Motel "Ćubić" where BARF crew found beautiful space to have some rest and to park Land Rovers also.

Day 2.

Convoy arrived in our office around 10.00 o'clock. After coffee break we unloaded aid that Genesis had to deliver to places that convoy will not visit. We also managed to organise the aid that was on different trailers and to match it with delivery forms for other organisations so convoy didn't have to drive all the trailers all the time. It was, as always, nice working time. Around BARF vehicles were a lot of laughs, fun and huge number of children. Members of convoy can tell about it. We were happy.

After we finished work in our office BARF convoy went to UDAS office. They unloaded the aid and had a small talk with UDAS members. They showed them the Mini Bus for transporting disabled people that BARF brought to them on the last convoy. This has been a great success and is constantly in use. There was, as usual with BARF people, lot of laughs and fun. It was successful day. Lot of work, but everything was done. BARF crew have gone to hotel "Ćubić" for deserved rest.

Day 3.

Third day we started with visit to city orphanage. Principal of orphanage has expressed in his name and name of all orphanage beneficiaries, gratitude for all that BARF people have done for orphanage. BARF crew had small talk and coffee break in orphanage. Because of our schedule we had to go further. Next stop was Milenas office at the Paraplegic association to deliver buggies for disabled people. I think that you can imagine. Milena was a gracious host again. BARF crew has finished working day, but after work was time for pleasure. BARF people had invited us to have dinner with them at Motel "Ćubić" restaurant. It was beautiful evening. Fun, laughs, nice dinner and time spent with friends.

Day 4.

BARF convoy visited a primary school near Banjaluka at the request of BARF crew. BARF have brought aid specially for them.

NOTICE.

This time we couldn't managed, for BARF convoy, to arrange visit, to Dr. Miroslav Zotovic hospital. Primary School couldn't give us a statement for aid that has to be delivered to Zotovic.

BARF friends, once again, thank you for everything.

Numbers speak for themselves. Thanks to BARF, we were able to help and bring necessary humanitarian aid to 33 different governmental and non-governmental organizations, such as:

- primary schools;
- specialized educational institutions for children with special need;
- different local humanitarian organizations involved in helping to refugee, internally displaced and socially endangered domestic population;
- many other formal and non-formal associations of citizens.

We approximate that number of direct beneficiaries, through all conducted distributions was over 32000 citizens of Republika Srpska, an entity of Bosnia and Herzegovina, which is still in big need for various humanitarian assistance.

The importance of this humanitarian aid is beyond its commercial value because people of United Kingdom give it with love to people of Bosnia and Herzegovina and that is the most important thing.

We hope that we will continue our cooperation with Balkan Aid Relief Foundation, in order to help people of Bosnia and Herzegovina who still need our assistance very much, in order to live their lives with a bit more of dignity and humanity.

Humanitarian aid from February 2008 convoy was distributed to following institutions:

1. Primary school „Borisav Stankovic”, satellite school for disabled children in Hospital „Miroslav Zotovic”, Banja Luka
2. Association of landmine survivors “UDAS”, Banja Luka
3. Paraplegic association „ Savez Paraplegicara oboljelih od dječije paralize RS” Banja Luka
4. NGO „Genesis Project”, Banja Luka
5. Association of Women, Banja Luka
6. HO „Kolo Srpskih sestara”, Banja Luka
7. HO ”Merhamet”, Banja Luka
8. City orphanage “Rada Vranješević”
10. HO “Partner”
11. S.O.Z. „Serbian orthodox church association of young”
12. NGO “Drustvo za pomoc mentalno nedovoljno razvijenih”

Feedback from recipients of humanitarian aid collected from BARF delivered by Genesis Project.

Dear Neil and BARF people

Principals, students and all employees of the schools, organisations we visited and delivered the aid you have brought to us, are very satisfied and grateful for your help. Special thanks to BARF is the first what they say. To think of one's children is one of the greatest gifts that someone can have, to think of the children so far away it is beyond description. In every school children can learn more and on the easy way thanks to your aid. They all send you best regards and hope to see you again. Principals and students of school who didn't meet BARF people, are looking forward to get to know you.

Within this report we are enclosing you following attachments:

I. Delivery forms confirming that all humanitarian aid was distributed to above mentioned institutions.

- P.S. „Borislav Stanković” satellite school for disabled children in hospital „ Moroslav Zotović” craft materials, gold cardboard, silver cardboard, children's gift boxes, colour paper, toys cassettes,
- City orphanage “Rada Vranješević” Banja Luka, huge number of boxes of school wardrobe, cuddly toys, black school blazers, towels, boxes of blue bedding blankets, bags of clothing, children's wardrobe, bags of cuddly toys, boxes of jumpers, children's gift boxes, 3CPU Pentium, 3 monitors, 3 key board, 3 mouse, 30 boxes of nappies,
- H.O., „Udružene Žene” Banja Luka, baby clothing, blankets, boxes of towels, 1 box of pillow cases and sheets, cuddly toys, children's clothing, toys, box of ladies jumpers, clothing, 1 fridge, children's gift boxes, 34 boxes of nappies.
- Association of landmine survivors, Banja Luka, boxes of clothing ,cuddly toys, bedding, 10 boxes of nappies,
- H.O. „ Merhamet” Banja Luka, boxes of towels, bedding, boxes of children's clothing, adults clothing, toys, footwear, CPU, monitor, key board, power cords, mouse, 17 boxes of nappies.
- N.G.O. „ Genesis Project” Banja Luka, books for children and adult, wallcharts for school, puzzles, stationery, sports T-shirts for children, paper, vaulting horse, multifunctional scanner, vacuum cleaners, track suits for children, toys, childrens clothing and school clothing, CPU, monitors,
- H.O. „ Kolo srpskih sestara” Banja Luka, children's clothing , towels, adult clothing, sheets, wool blankets, pillow, wool, 30 boxes of nappies.
- S.O.Z. „Svetosavska omladinska zajednica”, towels, adults clothing, childrens clothing, 30 boxes of nappies.
- HO “Partner” Banja Luka, towels, children's clothing, adult clothing, bedding, sheet, 10 boxes of nappies,
- HO ” Udruženje paraplegicara”, Banja Luka, clothing, towels, bedding, electric invalid buggies, electric wheelchairs, wheelchairs, walking sticks, zimmer frames, collapsible invalid buggy, chair for disabled child, rubber feet for invalid frames, cuddly toys, wool,

- HO “ Udruzenje za pomoc mentalno nedovoljno razvijenim”, Banja Luka, towels, bedding, children’s clothing, 50 boxes of nappies .

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We hope that this report is sufficiently detailed to present to you how your donation was distributed and how it will be used.

We are looking forward to co-operating with you again.

Yours truly, Dijana Pejic,
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