

**TO: NEIL ROSS NEWITT, BALKAN AID RELIEF FOUNDATION**

**FROM: DIJANA PEJIC, GENESIS PROJECT, BANJA LUKA**

**Subject: Report on the distribution of humanitarian aid collected and transported by  
Balkan Aid Relief Foundation (BARF)  
Banjaluka, Republika Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina: October 2006**

Dear Neil,

With this report we would like to inform you about the distribution of aid brought by B.A.R.F. to Bosnia and Herzegovina in October 2006

This was the fourteenth humanitarian aid convoy done by BARF in co-operation with Genbesis Project and we want to use this opportunity to express our gratitude to the wonderful people from BARF and for everything you have done so far to help people in need from Bosnia. Thanks to BARF we were able to distribute huge amounts of humanitarian aid to a large number of people and institutions in need in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Unfortunately, there is still 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 fourteen substantial shipments of humanitarian aid to Banja Luka and the 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.

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

#### **FOURTEENTH B.A.R.F. HUMANITARIAN CONVOY**

##### **Day 1.**

As always, Tuesday was the day for Customs clearance. This went quite smoothly. The Convoy arrived in our office early that afternoon. After coffee break we re-packed the aid and we prepared it for delivery. Probably you will have seen the photos that Nick Johnson has taken in front of our office. It was like always a pleasant working afternoon. Around BARF vehicles were a lot of laughs, fun and a huge number of children. Members of convoy can tell about it. We were happy because everything was all right.

##### **Day 2.**

BARF convoy was, right on schedule in front of the EUFOR base, ready to drive. First visit was on your favourite places, primary school "Borisav Stankovic", satellite school for disabled children in Hospital "Miroslav Zotovic", Banja Luka. Hospital doctors, nurses and all children were happy to see BARF members again. BARF members together with hospital crew and us,

Genesis members, unloaded all the aid very fast. On tour through hospital was like always, laugh, fun and some tears. Doctors from hospital were thankful for everything that BARF has brought to them. Only because of a very tight time schedule we had to leave the hospital so fast.

Second place that we have visited was the city orphanage "Rada Vranješević". Protégées of orphanage help us to unload the trailers. On short tour through the orphanage, BARF convoy members had the opportunity to see how help that BARF has brought to orphanage on previous convoy was used. When we visited the room with the newborns, situation was very touching. In orphanage gallery we had small coffee break and we had lots of fun watching one old sewing machine that BARF brought to the orphanage during one of the previous convoys. Sewing machine was, according to the director of the orphanage, one of the nicest gifts that orphanage has ever received.

A third place that we visited, was Association of Paraplegics. A special greetings to you, Neil, were sent from Milena, president of association.

Something interesting about BARF convoy:

The Association of Paraplegics is placed right in the centre of the city and is very short of parking places so congratulations to BARF convoy drivers. They managed very well. It was very nice to see convoy members in little talk with Milena. Day was almost over. Drive back to base to have deserved rest.

### **Day 3.**

Start of the trip to city Prnjavor, 50km from Banja Luka, was right on schedule. We visited two primary schools in Prijavor. First visit was short, because of time schedule. Principal was pleased that convoy visited his school and has invited BARF to visit school again.

In second school we had more time and managed to have a coffee break and small chat with school principal and school staff. Principal has invited BARF convoy to come again when fishing season is on. He is fisherman and president of Association of fisherman in city Prnjavor. Some members of B.A.R.F. are also fishermen. On trip back we had lunch in restaurant Jezero. Evening was reserved for traditional dinner in restaurant Vrbas. It was beautiful, like always but we really missed you. In these two schools we unloaded computers, children clothing, church organ, etc.

### **Day 4.**

Day 4 started with 100km long drive to city Kozarska Dubica and two primary schools. In school "Sveti Sava" convoy members had a talk with the Principal of school. Principal was very thankful for aid that BARF has brought to them. In school hall, BARF convoy members have seen exhibition of school children works on theme Concentration camp "Jasenovac" from Second World War. It was small class of history. BARF convoy members were really interested in it. Second school we visited in Kozarska Dubica is called "Vuk Karadžić". We unload the trailers and had small coffee break. Principal expressed his gratitude to BARF.

Humanitarian aid brought through October 2006 convoy was distributed to the following institutions:

1. Primary school "Borisav Stankovic", satellite school for disabled children in Hospital "Miroslav Zotovic", Banja Luka
2. Association of landmine survivors, Banja Luka

3. Paraplegic association "Savez paraplegicara oboljelih od dječije paralize RS" Banja Luka
4. Primary school "Nikola Tesla", Prnjavor
5. Primary school "Branko Ćopić", Prnjavor
6. Primary school "Sveti Sava", Kozarska Dubica
7. Primary school "Vuk Karadžić", Kozarska Dubica
8. Primary school "J.J.Zmaj", Banja Luka
9. Primary school "Jovan Cvijić", Banja Luka
10. Primary school "Georgi Stojkov Rakovski", Banja Luka
11. Primary school "Petar Kocić", Mrkonjic Grad
12. Association of Women "DUGA", Banja Luka
13. Association of Women for Safe house – sanctuary for women and children / victims of domestic violence, Banja Luka
14. HO "Circle of Serbian sisters", Banja Luka-humanitarian ambulance
15. HO "Merhamet", Banja Luka
16. NGO "Zdravo da ste"
17. City orphanage "Rada Vranješević"
18. HO "Partner"
19. NGO „Genesis Project”, Banja Luka

We still continue with aid distribution, primarily computers. We predict that we will distribute all computers by the end of January 2007. We are carefully choosing schools who will receive B.A.R.F. computers (schools in need) and we are planning our field activities in accordance with that (so that we can distribute computers to the distant schools).

Principals, students and all employees of the schools, other organisations and institutions which 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. In every school children can learn more thanks to BARF computers and other aid. They all send you best regards.

Within this report you will receive following attachments (via post office):

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

- **Primary School "Borislav Stanković"** satellite school for disabled children in hospital "Moroslav Zotović": paint (gloss, undercoat and emulsion) 138 l., speed screen for floors 20 l. 10 litres of black asphalt restorer, 1 multipurpose degreaser, 4 large rolls of wall paper, 9 ordinary rolls of wall paper, 1 children's pram, 7 disabled children's wheel chairs, 1 low chair for baby feeding, 2 children's scooters, 1 children's tricycles, 1 adult three wheeled bicycle, 6 wheel chairs, 2 adult walking frame seats, 9 adult push bikes, 100 walking sticks, 100 crutches, 4 mattresses and for the school on second delivery form is 2 CPU Pentium III, 2 monitors, 2 key board, 2 mouses, 2 boxes of cuddly toys.
- **City orphanage "Rada Vranješević" Banja Luka:** 102 boxes of school wardrobe including jumpers, shirts, trousers, socks, vests, 1 box of cuddly toys, 1 push chair, 1 children pram, 1 folding pushchair, 1 sewing machine in large cupboard, 1 sewing machine in wooden case, 1 small two ring electric oven, 1 micro wave, 1 box of black school blazers, 1 box of school document satchels, 1 box of towels, 54 boxes of blue bedding blankets, 12 quilts, 12 pillows, 27 boxes of white bed sheets, on second delivery form is 6 boxes of children wardrobe (park school), 4 bags of clothing, 4 boxes of children's wardrobe, 6 bags of cuddly toys, 4 boxes of jumpers, 2 boxes of T-shirts, 3 boxes of toys,

5 boxes of wool blankets, blankets and bedding, 9 boxes of quilts, 1 boxes of grey socks, 1 box of H. Hensen jumpers, 1 box of blankets, 1 box of children's trousers, 1 bag of clothing, 1 box of children' clothing.

- **Paraplegic Association:** 3 invalid electric chairs-scooters, 4 bags of football boots, 15 box of assorted children's clothing, 10 box of assorted children's clothing, 3 adult wheel chairs, 2 tables, 16 mattresses, 20 adult wheel chairs, 2 box of adult clothing, 10 boxes of children's clothing, 1 box of girls clothing, 1 box of ladies clothing, 1 box of football boots, 3 bags of Blue school jumpers, children's school jumpers, on second delivery form is 1 box of cuddly toys, 1 bag of children's clothing, 1 box of padded children's jackets, 1 box of H. Hansen children's jumpers, 1 box of children's jacket, 1 bag of shirts, 1 box of children's clothing, box of toys, box of baby clothing, bag of baby clothing, box of toys, box of children's jumpers, 2 boxes of jackets, bag of clothing, and on third delivery form is 10 boxes of towels, 1 box of clothing, bag of children's jumpers, 200 pencils, 3 bags of padded children's jackets, bag of man's trousers, 3 box of trousers, bag of blue and black west's, bag of grey socks, bag of red jumpers, 1 box of H. Hansen jumpers, 2 boxes of jumpers.
- **HUMANITARIAN ORGANISATION: "Partner" Banja Luka:** 2 invalid chairs(not working for spares), 2 desks, 10 boxes of school clothing, 25 bags of school clothing, 10 wheel chairs, Casio CT-310 electric musical keyboard, amplifiers for hearing aids, a portable heater-dehumidifier-cooler, 2 electric wheel chairs
- **HUMANITARIAN ORGANISATION: "United Women" Banja Luka:** 3 bags of baby clothing, 6 bags of blankets, 10 boxes of towels, 1 box of pillow cases and sheets, 3 box of blankets, 5 boxes of bedding, box of mans coats, box of cuddly toys, box of children's jumpers, box of toys, 7 brief cases, wooden house for dolls, box of ladies jumpers, 2 bags of clothing, box of children's vests, on second delivery form is 2 box of bedding, box of track suits, 3 bags of sheets, box of towels, box of teddies, box of ladies coats, 2 box of sheets, 2 box of blankets, 20 box of cuddly toys, 2 box of clothing, box of children's clothing, 200 pencils, on third delivery form is 2 baby pushchair, padded baby feeding chair, bag of baby clothing, 10 boxes of toys and games.
- **Association of Landmine Survivors, Banja Luka:** 100 ball point pens, 100 pens, 156 crutches, 6 bags of padded children's jackets, 15 boxes boys jumpers, 1 fridge, 50 children's west's, 4 box of socks, 2 box of clothing, box of towels, 2 boxes of blankets, 6 boxes of children's clothing, 2 boxes of children's track suits, bag of pillow, 4 boxes of toys, 4 box of school clothing, bag of T-shirts, 2 boxes of clothing.
- **Association of Women: "Duga":** 2 sewing kits, bag of wool, box of sheets and bedding, 9 boxes of cuddly toys, 2 box English book for children, knitting machine HK 160, mixed wool, wool and knitting implements, 2 boxes of towels, box of sweater, 2 boxes of sewing materials, 11 padded children's jacket, box of children's jumpers, 4 boxes of elastic bands, 50 ball point pens, box of adult jackets, box of padded jacket for adult, on second delivery form is box of padded jackets, 3 boxes of cuddly toys, 2 bags of clothing, 3 boxes of clothing, 5 boxes of toys, 2 boxes of children clothing, box of ladies clothing, ladies coats, 2 boxes of H.Hensen jumpers, 2 boxes of pens, box of English books, 2 boxes of bedding, children's scooter, small child's bike, girls bike, children's hula hoops 2 boxes of ball point pens, two wheel car.

- **HUMANITARIAN ORGANISATION: “Merhamet” Banja Luka:** 3 boxes of towels, 3 boxes of sheets, 15 bags of padded children’s jackets, bag of children’s jumpers, 2 boxes of toys, 7 bags of padded adult jackets, 10 boxes of track suits for adult, 10 bags of wool jumpers for adult, 2 bags of bedding, 2 boxes of jumpers, 10 boxes of children’s clothing, 10 boxes of blankets, box of toys, 100 pens, 150 ball point pens, 1 box of sheets, 1 box of bedding, 10 track suits for children.
- **Primary School: “Nikola Tesla” Prnjavor:** 2 CPU Pentium III, 2 monitors, 2 key board, 2 mouses, 2 boxes of children’s clothing, box of toys, box of sport shoes.
- **Primary School: “Branko Ćopić” Prnjavor:** 2 CPU Pentium III, 2 monitors, 2 key board, 2 mouses, 2 boxes of H.Hensen children’s clothing, box of toys, mid sized Church organ, bag of children’s clothing.
- **Primary School: “Vuk Karadžić” Kozarska Dubica:** 2 CPU Pentium III, 2 monitors, 2 key board, 2 mouses, 3 boxes of H.Hensen children’s clothing, 3 boxes of toys, 2 bags of children’s clothing.
- **Primary School: “Sveti Sava” Kozarska Dubica:** 2 CPU Pentium III, 2 monitors, 2 key board, 2 mouses, church organ, box of children clothing, desk for church organ, box of children’s toys.
- **HUMANITARIAN ORGANISATION: “Zdravo da ste” Banja Luka:** 2 bags of sweater, 2 bags of H.Hansen jumpers, 2 bags of quilts, 3 boxes of knitted blankets, 11 boxes of cuddly toys, box of H.Hensen jumpers, box of children’s clothing, 2 boxes of sheets, box of towels, 3 boxes of children’s clothing, box of socks, box of sweater, children’s painting pads and posters, children’s board games, box of teddy bears in sleeping bags.
- **HUMANITARIAN ORGANISATION: “Circle of Serbian sisters” Banja Luka:** children’s bed, 3 boxes of children’s jumpers, 3 boxes of sheets, 3 boxes of cuddly toys, 2 boxes of blankets, box of towels, box of sweater, box of children’s clothing, box of adult clothing, 3 boxes of padded jackets, box of bedding, 200 ball point pens, small mattress.
- **Primary School: “Jovan Cvijić” Banja Luka:** 2 CPU Pentium III, 2 monitors, 2 key board, 2 mouses, 2 power cords, 2 boxes of toys.
- **Primary School: “Jovan Jovanović Zmaj” Banja Luka:** CPU Pentium III, monitors, key board, mouse, 2 boxes of cuddly toys, school microscope.
- **Primary School: “Georgi Stojkov Rakovski” Banja Luka:** CPU Pentium III, monitors, key board, mouse, 2 boxes of cuddly toys.
- **Primary School: “Petar Kočić” Mrkonjić Grad:** 3 boxes of children’s clothing, bag of children’s clothing, 4 boxes of cuddly toys.
- **N.G.O. “Genesis Project” Banja Luka:** 2 microwave oven, portable type writer, fishing kit, soaps, box of marker pens, 2 boxes of bull dog clips, 3 boxes of elastic bands, box of reflective safety stickers for children school bags jackets etc., box of children’s pens, box of children’s painting pads and posters, box of children’s colouring pens, box

of ball point pens, box of pencils, sewing machine, 2 photocopier , box of towels, photocopier Sharp AR M276CPU.

Once more we would like to use this opportunity to emphasize that 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.

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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,

Executive Director, Genesis Project