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MALI EMERGENCY APPEAL

The 2012 Tuareg Rebellion in the West African nation of Mali has seen the country become embroiled in an ongoing power struggle. Led by the National Movement for the Liberation of Azawad (MNLA), this conflict is a war of independence against the Malian government in the Sahara Desert region of Azawad. Following the March 2012 coup d'état that overthrew Mali's democratically elected government, Mali is now in the grip of an overlapping security, political and humanitarian crisis, one of the most serious since the landlocked West African country gained independence from France in 1960.

On January 11, 2013, former colonial power, France launched military operations against insurgent targets in northern Mali, following a request from the Malian government for help in repelling insurgent advances toward the south.

The ongoing political crisis in Mali has severely affected the Malian population. Insecurity in northern Mali has internally displaced over 300,000 people and exacerbated regional food insecurity and poor humanitarian conditions. More than 400,000 Malians have also been forced to find refuge in neighbouring Mauritania, Niger and Burkina Faso. 210,000 children in Mali will be at risk of severe acute malnutrition.

The ongoing political and military crisis within Mali restricts direct access to the country and thus the Al-Imdaad Foundation will immediately respond to the Malian refugees that have sought refuge in Mauritania and Burkina Faso.

The Al-Imdaad Foundation previously worked within Burkina Faso during Ramadaan 1433/2012 where food programmes were conducted under very difficult circumstances.

We look forward to your support towards the Malian crisis. Remember, in working together, there is no limit to what we can all achieve in striving to serve humanity.

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