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### Christchurch Earthquake Update

Country	New Zealand			
Status	Update	Related report number:		
Type of disaster	Earthquake			
Sources	Source	Specification	Source	Specification
	National Society		Delegation/Secretariat	
	Government			
Government Request International assistance	No			
Brief description of the situation	<p>An earthquake of magnitude 6.3 struck today at 12:51 hours (NZDT) 10km south east of Christchurch. The earthquake was centred at a depth of 5km. There have been 21 aftershocks greater than M4, with 4 greater than M5.</p> <p>Considerable damage has been reported in the Christchurch CBD and in Lyttelton. A more thorough assessment of the damage will be completed over the next 24 hours. Rescue work is likely to take days to complete.</p> <p>Aftershocks are likely to continue and this could lead to further building damage or collapse. hquake magnitude 6.3</p> <p>Many deaths and injuries reported.</p>			
Numeric details (people) Red Cross estimation	Number of injured:		Number of assisted by RC:	
	Number of dead:	65	Number of local staff involved:	
	Number of missing:		Number of volunteers involved:	
	Number of affected:		Number of experts /delegates	
	Number of displaced:			
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	Number of dead:		Number of affected:	
	Number of missing:		Number of displaced:	
Action taken by National Society Red Cross	First Aid		Shelter	
	Relief/Supply distribution		Tracing/RFL	
	<p>NZRC National EOC activated and operating 24hrs.</p> <p>8 ERT teams (34 pers) deployed to Christurch providing first Aid at triage centres, welfare at evacuation centres.</p> <p>National Enquiry Centre activated.</p> <p>NZRC has representatives on the National and Regional Welfare Groups and National Health Coordination Centre.</p> <p>International Assistance Cell.</p> <p>NZRC has deployed tonight from Auckland warehouse to ChCh 1800 Blankets, 2000 water containers, 200 tents.</p> <p>NZRC is not requesting International assistance at this time.</p> <p>National Appeal details to be confirmed in next 24 hrs.</p> <p>Numerous national and international media interviews are ongoing.</p>			
Action taken by PNS Red Cross	<p>Australia Red Cross under bilateral arrangement are providing NZRC HQ surge support with deployment of staff. Numbers and roles to be confirmed.</p> <p>A number of International PNS have offered assistance which is not requested at this time.</p> <p>A further DMIS and updated information will be pending.</p>			
Action taken by Federation Red Cross	<p>Federation DMU in Kuala Lumpur and Regional Office in Suva has offered assistance if required.</p>			
Information bulletin:	Planned			
Planned international response	DREF requested:	No		
	DREF approved:			
	DREF bulletin:	No		
	Emergency appeal:	No		
	RDRT/RITS:	No		
	FACT:	No		
	ERU:	No		
	RFL:	No		
Action taken by others (Govts., UN...)	<p>The National Crisis Management Centre has been activated</p> <p>National agencies have been activated and are being coordinated via the National Crisis Management Centre.</p> <p>6 welfare centres are open around Christchurch. Large numbers of displaced are being assisted by local authorities and welfare agencies.</p> <p>All three NZ USAR teams have been deployed to ChCh.</p> <p>NZ Govt has requested International USAR assistance from Australia.</p> <p>Decisions of further international assistance if required will be made by Govt tomorrow.(Weds)</p> <p>Rescues are underway in 8 collapsed buildings with trapped people.</p> <p>All Christchurch Hospitals are operational with some damage. 3 public triage points and casualty clearing stations are operational in Christchurch.</p>			

Christchurch airport is closed to commercial flights currently.  
Port Lyttleton is damaged and currently closed.  
All rail travel in the region suspended.  
Power is off in most parts of Christchurch but being restored in pockets.

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