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– For immediate release –

Unprecedented deterioration of the humanitarian crisis in the Sahel

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WHAT: Presentations and exchanges on the deteriorating humanitarian crisis in the Sahel with the Regional Directors of UN agencies and representatives of humanitarian organisations and programmes in Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger.

WHEN: 14 May 2020 from 3.00pm to 4.00pm +0000 UTC

WHERE: Virtual briefing via WEBEX / Password: Sahel2020
Meeting ID: 615 520 544

UN humanitarian agencies and non-governmental organizations are sounding the alarm about the rapidly deteriorating crisis in the Sahel, leading to unprecedented levels of humanitarian needs across the region, much of it resulting from escalating conflict, rising food insecurity and the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic. These crises have the potential to devastate the region, endangering millions of people and require urgent attention.

This exchange will take place following a virtual humanitarian briefing to Member States, calling for renewed support and increased funding for the humanitarian response.

The event will also later be webcast on Facebook
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