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THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES FROM KIRKUK ARE RETURNING

(Baghdad, 17 October 2017): In the past 48 hours, an estimated 61,200 people have been displaced in areas around Kirkuk. Humanitarian partners have dispatched mobile health clinics and are providing hot meals and food parcels to families who have fled. In coming days, partners will be providing 3,000 emergency food rations and hygiene items to families sheltering in public spaces.

“Authorities have confirmed that the majority of displaced families from Kirkuk are already returning to their homes in Kirkuk city,” said Ms. Lise Grande, Humanitarian Coordinator for Iraq. “Most of the families who are still displaced are staying with families and host communities.”

“We call on all parties to do everything possible to shield and protect all civilians impacted by the current situation,” said Ms. Grande.

The Iraq humanitarian operations continue to require additional support. To date, the 2017 Humanitarian Response Plan is only 61 per cent funded.

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