Situation Update: Unaccompanied Children (UAC) in Greece
31 May 2019

**Key Facts**

1,938 children in long term or temporary accommodation

596* children in RICs
123* children in Protective custody
126* children in Open temporary accommodation facilities
1052* children in Insecure housing conditions

*The above numbers include 248 separated children, and 98 pending transfer to long term or temporary accommodation

3835 children in total out of which:
93.8% Boys
6.2% Girls
6.8% <14 years old

**Number of places**

1,165 Total number of places in long term accommodation (Shelters/SIL)
960 Total number of places in temporary accommodation (Safe zones/Emergency hotels)

**Reported place of stay of children in UAC accommodation facilities, open accommodation facilities, protective custody and RICs**

Total: 2783

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**Number of UAC in Reception and Identification Centers/Protective Custody**
31 August 2018 – 31 May 2019

**UAC per accommodation type**
31 August 2018 – 31 May 2019

Additionally, 1052 UAC (24 of which pending transfer have been reported as living in informal/insecure housing conditions such as living temporarily in apartments with others, living in squats, being homeless and moving frequently between different types of accommodation.

The above number includes 126 UAC with no location reported by the referral agent. EKKA is in the process of updating this information.
Key Facts as of 31 May 2019

UAC shelters
- Current: 48 UAC shelters with total 1,125 places
- Planned: 6 UAC shelters with total 228 places

SIL (Supported Independent Living) apartments
- Current: 10 SIL apartments for UAC older than 16 years old with total 40 places

Safe zones*
- Current: 10 Safe Zones for UAC with total 300 places

Hotels**
- Current: 17 Hotels for UAC with total 660 places

*Safe Zones are designated supervised spaces within accommodation sites which provide UAC with 24/7 emergency protection and care. They should be used as short term (maximum 3 months) measures to care for UAC in light of the insufficient number of available shelter places. Safe Zone priority is given to UAC in detention as well as other vulnerable children, in line with their best interests.

**Hotels are emergency accommodation spaces being used as a measure to care for UAC in light of the insufficient number of available shelter places. Priority is given to UAC in Reception and Identification Centers.

Available places by type and region

Current capacity compared to previous months

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20,570 Total number of UAC referrals received between January 2016 and May 2019.

Number of UAC Referrals to EKKA by month
(updated on a monthly basis)

Referrals processed* per month in 2019
(updated on a monthly basis)

Monthly UAC referrals to EKKA by nationality
1 June 2018 – 31 May 2019
(updated on a monthly basis)

Estimated UAC population disaggregated by nationality
3835 UAC

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*Placement issued or referral cancelled upon verification

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