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On the Ground in the Horn of Africa



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USAID Administrator Rajiv Shah and Dr. Jill Biden talk to a UNHCR worker in Dadaab, Kenya.

Eighty kilometers from Kenya's border with Somalia, the Dadaab Refugee Complex—already the world's largest refugee camp—has seen on average 1,500 exhausted and starving men, women and children arrive each day. Fleeing from famine that is now gripping a large portion of southern Somalia largely inaccessible to aid workers, thousands of refugees have walked days—or even weeks—to reach help. The United Nations estimates that over 12.4 million people are in urgent need of humanitarian aid, including food, water and medical care, across the drought-stricken eastern Horn of Africa.

Yesterday, I arrived in Dadaab with representatives from across the United States Government, including Dr. Jill Biden, Special Assistant to the President Gayle Smith, Senator Bill Frist and Assistant Secretary of State Eric Schwartz.

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