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Satellite mapping overview

As of 20 November 2017

Asia

Halabjah Earthquake- GLIDE number: EQ-2017-000165-IRN

Following the M 7.3 earthquake that occurred on the 12 November 2017 in the area around the northern Iran-Iraq border, UNITAR-UNOSAT has conducted a damage assessment of the cities of Darbandikhan, Iraq and Sarpol-e-Zahab, Iran, with a particular focus on health facilities. The results of the analyses show that Darbandikhan did not undergo substantial damage and the health facilities are all intact except one hospital which has been subject to “superficial” damage on the roof. On the contrary the city of Sarpol-e-Zahab has resulted being intensely damaged by the seism, including the hospital. For Sarpol-e-Zahab and for the city of Qasr-e-Shirine, Iran, also an Internally Displaced People (IDP) assessment has been conducted thanks to a combined effort of the Iranian Space Agency and UNITAR-UNOSAT. The analyses show major and minor people gathering sites across the two cities.

The Copernicus Emergency Management Service has also conducted a damage assessment analysis of the cities of Said Sadiq, Dokan, Darbandikhan and Khurmali, Iraq. Little damage has been observed in all of the cities.

Source: UNITAR-UNOSAT, Iranian Space Agency, Copernicus-EMS

Link: <https://unitar.org/unosat/maps>, <http://emergency.copernicus.eu/mapping/list-of-components/EMSR256>

Earthquake in South Korea – GLIDE number: EQ-2017-000167-KOR

On the 15 November 2017 a 5.4 M earthquake struck the south-eastern coast of South Korea, 6 km north of Pohang City. As a consequence, 57 people were injured and 1,500 are displaced. The International Space Charter has been activated by the Korean Aerospace Research Institute (KARI) in response to this event.

Source: International Charter – Space & Major Disasters

Link: <https://disasterscharter.org/web/guest/-/earthquake-in-korea-republic-of-activation-560->

Europe

Floods Attika- EMS number: EMSR257

On the 15 November 2017 flash floods have occurred in the area of Mandra and Nea Peramos (western outskirts of Athens), killing at least 19 people. The Copernicus Management Service has been activated in response of this event and in the following days will be publishing mapping products of the affected areas.

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Source: Copernicus Emergency Mapping Service (EMS)

Link: <http://emergency.copernicus.eu/mapping/list-of-components/EMSR257>

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