

**21.01.2016 - More than 100 humanitarian organizations and United Nations agencies have released a statement urging “citizens around the world” to call for an immediate end to the Syrian crisis**



The message, released by the [World Food Programme](#) today, comes as the heads of numerous humanitarian agencies pooled their voices together and produced a [written plea](#) to mobilise people across the world to put an end to the prolonged crisis in Syria.

The statement lists a series of immediate, practical steps that can improve humanitarian access and the delivery of aid to those in need inside the beleaguered country.

“More than ever before, the world needs to hear a collective public voice calling for an end to this outrage. Because this conflict and its consequences touch us all. It touches those in Syria who have lost loved ones and livelihoods, who have been uprooted from their homes, or who live in desperation under siege. Today, some 13.5 million people inside Syria need humanitarian assistance. That is not simply a statistic. These are 13.5 million individual human beings whose lives and futures are in jeopardy.”

“It touches all those around the world whose economic wellbeing is affected, in ways visible and invisible, by the conflict. Those with the ability to stop the suffering can - and therefore should - take action now. Until there is a diplomatic solution to the fighting, such action should include:

**- Unimpeded and sustained access for humanitarian organizations to bring immediate relief to all those in need inside Syria**

□ -□ □ **Humanitarian pauses and unconditional, monitored ceasefires to allow food and other urgent assistance to be delivered to civilians, vaccinations and other health campaigns, and for children to return to school**□

-□ □ **A cessation of attacks on civilian infrastructure – so that schools and hospitals and water supplies are kept safe**□

-□ □ **Freedom of movement for all civilians and the immediate lifting of all sieges by all parties These are practical actions.**□

There is no practical reason they could not be implemented if there is the will to do so. In the name of our shared humanity... for the sake of the millions of innocents who have already suffered so much... and for the millions more whose lives and futures hang in the balance, we call for action now. **Now.**”□

We encourage those willing to add to their support to the campaign by sharing the [message](#) on Facebook and Twitter using #SyriaCrisis

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## **Urgent Call to End Syrian Suffering**

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