The Emergency Relief Coordinator has allocated $100 million from the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) for the 2018 first Underfunded Emergencies round to assist some 4.3 million people in neglected crises in nine countries. The funds will sustain life-saving relief in protracted emergencies where humanitarian suffering is alarmingly high while available resources are critically low. This funding will target:

- Populations affected/displaced by conflict in Cameroon, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Mali, Pakistan and the Philippines. In Cameroon, the response also includes refugee and returnee communities, while in Pakistan and the Philippines, the response includes IDP returnees;
- Refugees and asylum seekers in Tanzania and Uganda;
- Food security and malnutrition needs in Eritrea for the local and refugee populations; and
- Populations affected by disease outbreaks and recent hurricanes in Haiti.