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The Intended Operation

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The team determined that the following numbers of families have been left homeless on Banggai and Peleng and are in need of assistance.

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Based on the team’s initial assessment, the PMI plans to target 17,500 beneficiaries on the western coast of Banggai island and from Liang along the coast to Sambiu on Peleng island, possibly also including the area between Bonganang and Salakan on this island.

Item	Quantity
Sleeping mat (1.8x1.8m) 1 pce/family	3,500
Plastic sheet (5x7m) 1 pce/fam	3,500
Jerrycan 10 l. 1 pce/fam	3,500
Sarong 2 pce/fam	7,000
Blanket 2 pce/fam (1.3 x 2.1 m)	7,000
Plastic Cup 5 pcs/fam	17,500
Plate 5 pcs/fam	17,500
Spoon 5 pcs/fam	17,500
Bathing soap 2 pcs/fam	7,000
Cooking pot 1 pce/fam	3,500

Anticipated Later Needs •

Rebuilding of homes could be an important need, but this will only be clear after a further assessment, scheduled for later this week. Materials from many of the damaged homes can be salvaged and bamboo is widely available.

Red Cross Objectives •

In a three months operation, to assist 3,500 families who have lost their house and belongings on Peleng and Banggai islands with non-food relief items, such as plastic sheeting, sleeping mats, cooking utensils, soap and water containers.

National Society/Federation Plan of Action

Emergency Phase: May - July 2000 •

- Preparation of beneficiary lists
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- Transport of relief goods by Navy or commercial vessel from Ujung Pandang to Banggai.
- Establishment of temporary warehouse in Banggai town
- Distribution by boat to targeted villages on Peleng and Banggai islands

Capacity of the National Society •

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56	Cooking pots/Cutlery	51,450	
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57	Soap	9,100	
<u>TOTAL RELIEF NEEDS</u>			240,000
<u>CAPITAL EQUIPMENT</u>			
582	Computers	4,800	
583	Telecom. equipment	6,600	
584	Office furniture & equipment	2,000	
<u>PROGRAMME SUPPORT</u>			
CASH	Programme management (automatic calculation)	30,942	
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