

# The Global Response to Ebola in West Africa

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# Who is Involved in the West Africa Response? U.S. Government Agencies

- US Agency for International Development (USAID)
  - Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA): is the lead response agency, coordinates U.S. government departments and agencies involved in the response on the ground
  - Others including local mission staff, Food For Peace, and Global Health Bureau
- Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
  - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) approximately 230 staff in West Africa
    - Technical support, training, laboratory services, epidemiologic investigation.
    - 24/7 Emergency Operations Center
    - U.S. Public Health Service

#### Department of Defense (DoD)

- Over 2,200 service members in West Africa
- Build treatment units, training health care workers, logistics and transport, laboratory support

#### • State Department

• Diplomatic response, coordination of national & multilateral stakeholders

Sources: White House Ebola Fact Sheet, <u>http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2014/10/06/fact-sheet-us-response-ebola-epidemic-west-africa</u>; USAID Ebola Fact Sheet #7 <u>http://www.usaid.gov/ebola/fy15/fs07</u>; CDC Fact Sheet What CDC is doing <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/outbreaks/2014-west-africa/what-cdc-is-doing.html">http://www.usaid.gov/ebola/fy15/fs07</a>; CDC Fact Sheet What CDC is doing <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/outbreaks/2014-west-africa/what-cdc-is-doing.html">http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/outbreaks/2014-west-africa/what-cdc-is-doing.html</a>.



## Who is Involved in the West Africa Response? Other Countries, Multilateral Groups, and Organizations

#### • United Nations

- UN Mission for Emergency Ebola Response (UNMEER): coordinates multilateral response across UN agencies, working with local countries and other actors
- World Health Organization (WHO): technical support
- UNICEF, World Food Program (WFP), UN Office for the Coordinator of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), others

#### • Other Multilateral Institutions

- World Bank
- Global Fund, others

#### • Local, Regional Governments and Actors

- Governments of Liberia, Guinea, and Sierra Leone
- African Union
- Other Major Donor Countries

#### Non-governmental organizations, charities, universities, private sector

 Doctors without Borders/Medicines sans Frontieres, International Medical Corps, Samaritan's Purse, Gates Foundation, Paul Allen Foundation, etc.



## What is the Response Approach?

#### • STOP the outbreak

- Identify individuals with Ebola infection as soon as possible
- Safe and dignified burials

#### • TREAT the infected

- Bring those infected into quality care and treatment centers
- Medical care for health workers and other responders
- Community care campaigns in areas without sufficient clinics/beds

#### • ENSURE essential services

- Food security and nutrition
- Access to basic (non-Ebola) medical care, care for orphans

#### • **PRESERVE** stability

• Transport, supplies, social mobilization, messaging, countering stigma

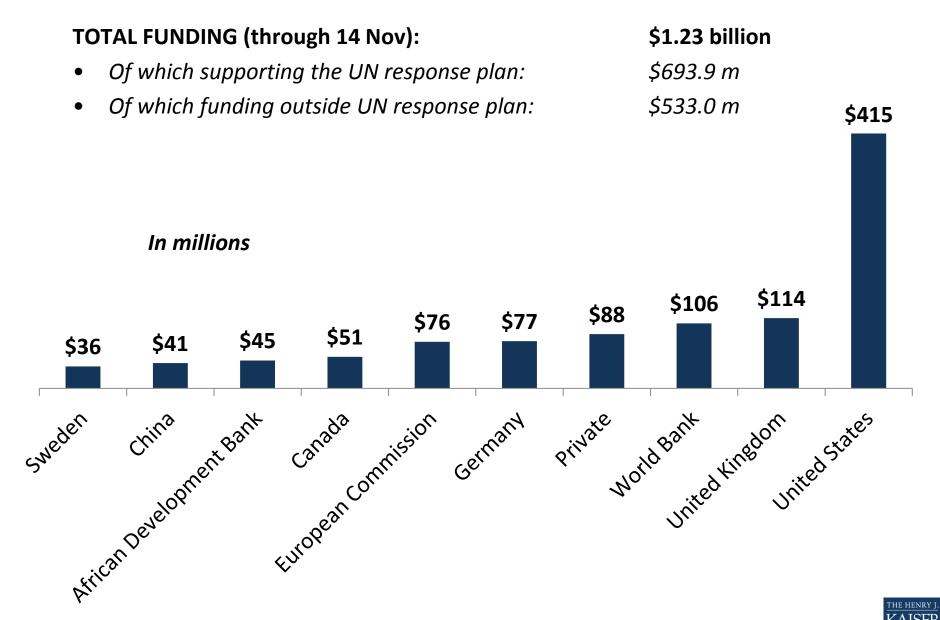
#### • **PREVENT** outbreaks in neighboring countries

• Strengthen regional and global preparedness

### UN: **\$988m** needed to implement response



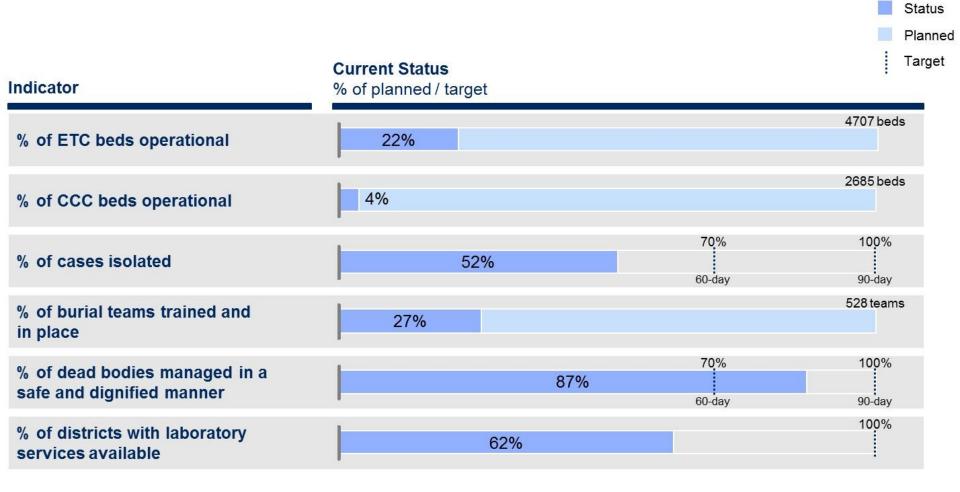
### **Global Financing for Ebola Response in West Africa**



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## **Remaining Gaps and Barriers**





### **Looking Forward**

- Need for flexibility as epidemic evolves and changes course
- Planning ahead for transfer of responsibilities as response evolves
- Broader global health security and preparedness





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Thank you!

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