

**Kirker African Medical Relief Association – KAMRA**  
**MAP Shipment Report**



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In August of 2013, MAP International offered KAMRA a shipment of medicines and medical supplies, worth more than \$8,835,963.13.

The shipment sponsored by the International Relief teams included antibiotics, pain relievers, antihypertensive agents, vitamins, minerals, anti-diarrheal, and various supplies. It also included special boxes of medicines pre-packaged for use in satellite health clinics. These medicines will be used to treat patients free of charge, in this part of the world where more than 85% of the population lives below the poverty threshold.



MAP Shipment being unload at Kirker Foundation Office in Niamey

In 2013, Nigerien authorities came up with new regulations regarding customs clearance. These regulations make customs clearance more complicated to local organizations. More than 400 containers were reported in October to be awaiting duty free clearance. In December 2013, the Kirker Foundation was one of the first NGOs in Niger to successfully negotiate approval for the release of the MAP shipment under the new regulations. However, the delay resulted in warehousing charges of \$2,250, which KAMRA raised. The Kirker Foundation and the citizens of Mainé-Soroa raised the funds for the transport of these medicines and supplies from Niamey to Maine Soroa.

On March 24, Kirker Foundation Niger (KF/N) held an official ceremony to present the medicines to officials at the Kirker Hospital (KH). Several important personalities, including the Mayor, the Prefet, and numerous community representatives, as well as Kirker Hospital staff took part to the ceremony.

The presentation of medicines received a wide media coverage aired on the National TV (Tele-Sahel), as well as the National Radio (Voix du Sahel) in all eight languages and French.



Kirker Foundation President presenting MAP shipment at Kirker Hospital

Approximately 70% of medicines were dispatched between the Kirker Hospital, rural health clinics, and many health huts in the Maine-Soroa District. 30% of medicines, especially the anti-hypertensive agents, and cardiac drugs went to the Regional Hospital of Diffa.

This shipment allowed the Kirker Hospital to replenish its medicine stock, relieving thus patients sufferings, and improving working conditions for medical personnel, especially now that average patient load hits 300 patients per day due to refugee influx.

The following Rural clinics received pre-packaged medicine boxes:

- CSI Mainé-Soroa
- CSI Bouti
- CSI Cheri
- CSI Fouladari
- CSI Goudoumaria
- CSI N'Guel Beyli
- CSI Kilakam
- CSI Kogimeri
- CSI Gaptiari
- CSI Djajiri
- CSI Kribitoa
- CSI N'Guel Kounama
- CSI Karagou
- CSI Kouloum Fardou
- CSI Malam Boulamari
- CSI Tam
- CSI Boudoum
- CSI Kosseri
- CSI Nayi Lawan
- CSI Ambouram Ali

Health huts, which are peripheral health units (Case de Santé) managed by community health agents trained by the Ministry of Health, and medical Non Profit Organizations for basic medical care such as administering pain relievers, taking care of wounds, and cuts, also received some of the medicines. These health huts include the following:

- CS Tchagamari
- CS Saléri
- CS Goujou
- CS Damagaram
- CS Tchikatkadoua
- CS Yérimaram
- CS Samsouram
- CS Kanguébao
- CS Tatakoutou
- CS Kasoulwa Koura
- CS Abatlori
- CS Karagou Garji
- CS Nguel Danda
- CS Wané Yaro
- CS Mariri
- CS Kayétawa
- CS Garoua
- CS Birnia
- CS Abouja

- CS Tansougoua
- CS Kousseri
- CS Farga
- CS Bitoa Abdoulkader
- CS Kassoulouel Kounou
- CS Falgoua
- CS Djangiri
- CS N'Guel Malam Barma
- CS Laya
- CS Adebou
- CS Latouaram
- CS Issari Birin
- CS Kadallaboua
- CS Ngalboulbé
- CS N'guel Lamido
- CS Fongorimaram
- CS Djougouloumaram
- CS N'Gario
- CS Goudéram
- CS N'Guel Kori
- CS Bara
- CS Bolomaram
- CS Kana Ida
- CS Amboram Ali
- CS Guissilik
- CS Boudoum
- CS Nai Lawan
- CS Dinkari
- CS Miskindi

Special pre-packaged medicines delivered to satellite health clinics will provide huge relief to rural populations, as this will save them tremendous amount of time and resources to travel to Maine Soroa to be treated for headaches, cold, and other minor conditions.



**Annex: Pictures from MAP Medicines hand-over ceremony at Kirker Hospital - March 24, 2014.**



MAP medicines being unloaded at Kirker



Samples from MAP shipment being shown to officials



Kirker Foundation/Niger President showing a rural clinic pre-packaged medicine box



Nurses at Kirker Hospital, finally happy to be able treat patients with MAP medicines & supplies



The Mayor of Maine Soroa, thanking MAP during an interview with National TV and Radio



Samples of medicines being presented to KF/N President, the New KH Medical Director, the Prefet, and the Mayor of Maine Soroa