



# DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

## Floods and Cholera in Province Orientale

### Disaster Context

In Kisangani, the largest city in northern Democratic Republic of Congo, the Tshopo and Congo rivers flooded their banks in late 1997 and early 1998, forcing approximately 10,000 people from their homes. In some villages along the rivers greater than 80 percent of homes were destroyed. The flooding was accompanied by an outbreak of cholera that killed hundreds of people.

### Project Title

Floods and Cholera in Province Orientale (ZAI/98/001/07/31)

### Sectors

- Coordination of relief
- Needs assessments
- Central and regional capacity-building

### Funding

- WFP pledged \$200,000 in initial food relief
- CARITAS-MEMISA received funds from CARITAS International to supply relief materials
- Belgium and France also contributed to the relief operations
- USAID committed \$25,000
- UNDP contributed \$166,626 from TRAC 1.1.3 funds

### Partners

- WFP
- CARITAS-MEMISA
- Belgian and French governments
- International Committee of the Red Cross

- USAID

### Programme Activities

Principal programme activities were defined as follows:

- Provide clean water in Kisangani
- Ship of food for relief
- Provide jerry cans, blankets, clothes, plastic sheeting, kitchen sets, and tents