

FACTS & FIGURES Uganda

In may 2022, violent clashes in Rutshuru Territory between the Armed Forces of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and fighters from the March 23 Movement (M23) broke out. Over 50,000 people fled from DRC into Uganda. Many displaced people from DRC preferred to remain behind in Kisoro at Nyakabande transit centre or with host communities, close to the border, in the hope of being able to return as soon as the security situation allowed.

With the support of the ICRC, Uganda Red Cross Society (URCS) volunteers are helping the refugees to restore and maintain the contact with their families, from whom they got separated as they fled. They register and follow up requests from families that are looking for their loved ones, including unaccompanied children and vulnerable adults. Whenever possible and feasible the URCS and the ICRC in Uganda re-unify families also in collaboration with the Red Cross Society of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (Croix-Rouge de la RDC (CRRDC) and the ICRC in DRC. Free telephone calls and exchanges of Red Cross messages services are also provided to the refugees.

THE NUMBERS



194



Unaccompanied children reunited with family members scattered in different refugee settlements in Uganda.

951 Tracing requests

opened by individuals, including unaccompanied children looking for their loved ones.



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Unaccompanied children

9579

Phone calls facilitated in refugee settlements and transit centres.

