



The Decision Center: Vocabulary

Aid: Help. It is often a tangible means of assistance such as supplies or money

Disaster: A catastrophic event bringing great damage, loss and destruction

Displaced: to force (someone) to leave their home typically because of war, persecution or natural disaster

Foreign: A place or country situated outside one's own country.

Local Authority: an organization or individual officially responsible for all the public services and facilities in a particular area.

Multi-National Cluster: A meeting or gathering amongst various nation groups to collaborate or strategize aid during a severe disaster.

Nautical Mile (nm): A unit of measurement used to measure the distance traveled by an aircraft or ship. 1 nautical mile = 1.15 statute miles

Non-Government Organization (NGO): a voluntary citizens' based association that operates independently of government. Can be used to deliver resources or serve some social or political purpose.

Range: The maximum distance a vehicle or aircraft can travel without needing to refuel

Reconnaissance: A survey or observation to gain information. Also called "Recon."

Relief Provider: Those who provide assistance in the form of food, clothing or money to those in special need or difficulty.

Unincorporated territory- A region of land that is governed by an outside nation. Unincorporated territories have varying legal status and different levels of autonomy.

VIP: A "Very Important Person"