



## Summary

# of LLINS	Country	Location	When	By whom
500-1,000	Burkina Faso	Meguet	May 2009	Michael Wagner, Peace Corps Volunteer, in conjunction with L'Association Solidarite pour un Developpement Communautaire (ASDC)

## Further Information

1. Please describe the specific **locations & villages** to receive nets and the number to each? Please provide longitude/latitude information. (Important note: If the distribution is approved, approval will be for the nets to be distribution to these specific locations. Location changes will only be considered, and may be refused, if due to exceptional/unforeseen circumstances.)

Meguet is a rural commune, located in the province of Ganzourgho, in Burkina Faso. The village is located between 0°40' and 0°50' longitude west and 12°20' and 12°30' latitude north. The administrative capital of the province is Zorgho, an urban commune situated 110 kilometers from Ouagadougou, the capital. Meguet is located 25 kilometres to the north-west of Zorgho and is 112 kilometres from Ziniare, the principal town in the Plateau Region.

2. Is this an **urban or rural** area and how many people live in this specific area?

The commune of Meguet is a rural commune consisting of 21 villages, ranging in size from 524 habitants to 7,273 habitants. The total commune population is 36,490. The village of Meguet is the principal village of the commune, with a population of 7,273. The distribution effort will be conducted in this village.

3. Is this a **high risk malaria area**? If yes, why do you designate it as high?

In 2007, malaria affected 36% of the population of the commune of Meguet (Reported cases at the CSPS-community health center). The poverty level and the insufficiency of information pertaining to malaria, adversely affect the number of people that seek medical treatment when infected with the parasite. The cost of the treatment and the cost of mosquito nets were also cited as limiting factors.

**4. How many reported cases of malaria and malaria deaths were there in this area in 2005? If you do not have statistics please make a qualitative comment.**

The CSPS in Meguet treated 2,620 malaria cases in 2007, 1,662 in 2006 and 1,431 in 2005. The number of deaths in each of these years were as follows: 2007-13; 2006-7; and 2005-8. Information provided by Arsene Sawadogo, Director CSPS.

**5. Is this distribution of nets 'blanket coverage' of an area/village or to a select/vulnerable group? If the latter, please describe this group.**

The mosquito nets will be distributed to households with expecting mothers and children under the age of 5. This is the portion of the population that is most adversely affected by malaria. In the commune of Meguet, there are approximately 5,100 children under the age of 5 or roughly 14% of the entire population. Of the 5,100 children in this age group, approximately 1,100 live in the village of Meguet.

**6. What is the existing level of ITN use in this area? Are there existing bednet distribution programmes in this area?**

It is estimated that less than 10% of the general population of the commune of Meguet regularly sleep under mosquito nets. There are currently no bednet distribution programs in the area. However, in 2008, the Department of Meguet received 750 mosquito nets from the Programme d'Appui au Developpement Sanitaire (PADS) Burkina Faso. The mosquito nets were distributed from the 4 CSPS locations in the Department to expecting mothers.

This was a one-time deal. The mosquito nets that will be brought to the village of Meguet will be used to supplement the number already distributed. It is our goal to put a mosquito net in each household with children under the age of 5. There are approximately 1,100 households in the village of Meguet that meet this criterion.

**7. Why was the area/villages chosen for bednet distribution and who made this decision? Please provide the name, position and organisation of the person/s making the decision.**

The village of Meguet was chosen as the distribution site because there are currently no other organizations in the area concerning the fight against malaria. One of the goals of the Association Solidarite pour un Developpement Communautaire (ASDC) is the creation of socio-educational and sanitary infrastructures. This is the principal reason that the persons in charge of the ASDC chose to use Meguet as the center of the bednet distribution process.

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**8. Have you consulted with the National Malaria Programme in your country about this distribution and what was their response? Please provide the name, position and contact details of the person/s with whom you have liaised.**

Yes, the head of the National Program for the Fight Against Malaria (Programme National de la Lutte Contre le Paludisme) has been informed about the distribution. He agrees with the distribution approach and is fully supportive of this project. Dr.Moyenga, President PNL P, Tel: (+226) 70.25.85.57.

**9. Please describe any pre-distribution activity, in particular how the size of the target group and number of nets required will be ascertained?**

The size of the target group and the number of necessary nets was determined by Mr. Arsene Sawadogo, Director of the CSPS-Meguet. After the distribution of the original mosquito nets that were provided by PADS-Burkina Faso, he stated that approximately 500 additional mosquito nets were required to ensure that every household with children under the age of 5, residing in the village of Meguet had a mosquito net.

**10. Please describe how the bednets will be distributed, by whom, whether distribution will be a focussed effort or part of a combined programme and if there will be an information/education component to the distribution? Please indicate over what time period (typically, the number of days or weeks) the distribution will occur.**

The distribution of the bed nets will be a joint effort between the ASDC and the local health clinic. Staff of the ASDC and the CSPS will be on site at the CSPS to distribute the mosquito nets on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. These are the days that pregnant mothers come for pre-natal examinations. Baby weightings and immunizations are also performed on these days.

We plan on announcing the availability of the mosquito nets from the pulpits of churches and the local mosque. It is essential that these announcements be made verbally in the local language, as a large percentage of the women are illiterate.

We will offer community outreach and educational activities in conjunction with the womens' groups that the ASDC supports. Educational sessions are also scheduled to be held at the CSPS and the CSPS staff is committed to helping with the technical information related to malaria. These sessions will focus on improving living space hygiene, eliminating standing water and preventive measures to minimize the risk of becoming infected. These activities will be carried out before the distribution.

**11. What post-distribution follow-up is planned to assess the level of usage (hang-up percentage) of the nets? How long after the distribution will this assessment take place? Will you provide us with the findings? What will you be able to do subsequently to increase net hang-up if relevant?**

We plan to distribute a follow-up survey to assess hang-up percentage two months after the distribution is complete. The results of this survey will be used to determine if the

families receiving the mosquito nets have taken the proper preventative measures to minimize the risk of becoming infected. If necessary, the ASDC in conjunction with the CSPS will hold further education session to promote the use of the mosquito nets. The findings will be forwarded to you.

**12. Please give the name and contact information for the (government) head of the district health management team for the/each area. Please ensure you include contact information.**

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**13. Please confirm the nets will be distributed free-to-recipients, a requirement for us to fund nets.**

The nets will be distributed free to recipients.

**14. Please confirm you will send us, post-distribution, at least 40 digital photos per sub-location, taken at the distribution/s, to be added to our website as we report on the distribution to donors.\***

At least 40 digital photos per sub-location taken at the distributions will be made available to the Against Malaria Foundation.

**15. Please indicate if you will be able to provide video footage from each sub-location. This is not mandatory but is preferred and aids reporting to donors and encourages further donor giving.\***

I have a digital camera that can provide rudimentary video footage. However, I do not know if I will have access to a handheld digital video camera.

**16. Please confirm you will send a Post-Distribution Summary when the distribution is complete.\***

When the distribution is complete, a Post-Distribution Summary will be provided to the Against Malaria Foundation.

**17. Please provide your name, role and organisation and full contact information.**

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\*Information on providing photos, video and a Post-distribution Summary is included in the attached document.