



AFRICA/BURUNDI - Help for displaced people due to the torrential rains in the Gatumba is urgently needed

Bujumbura (Agenzia Fides) - Torrential rains are hitting Gatumba, a suburb of the capital of Burundi, Bujumbura, where at least 2 000 people are displaced and need food and shelter. The rains have destroyed about 400 homes and further damage is feared in the hardest hit areas of Kinyinya, Mushasha and Muyange. The houses are surrounded by water and many continue to fall down. The most affected families seek refuge from neighbors whose homes have not been destroyed; other 32 families have been housed in the local Anglican church. Those responsible for administering Gatumba have appealed to the government and humanitarian organizations to help people affected to find shelter. Everything is being done to help these people in the shortest possible time. (AP) (Agenzia Fides 23/2/2012)