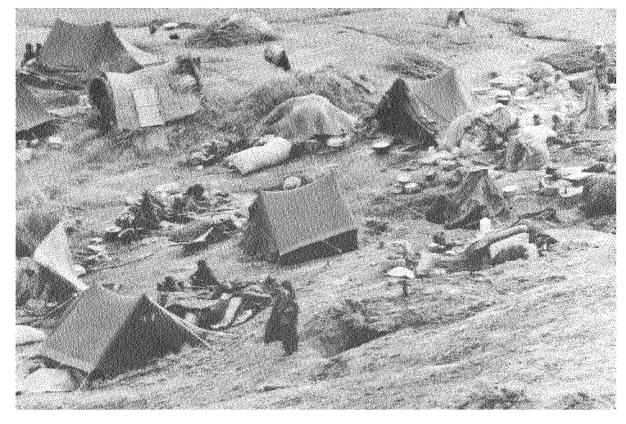
Afghanistan

The Country's Political Uncertainty Places Major Constraints on the Delivery of Humanitarian Assistance

Through fourteen years of war, the Afghan people have borne their suffering with great fortitude. With the close of that era, Afghanistan has entered a new phase. In 1992, over 1.5 million long-standing Afghan refugees returned

to their country from Iran and Pakistan and began the process of rebuilding their homes and their lives. Large numbers of those internally displaced by the war also returned to their communities. Unfortunately, these positive developments were



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Displaced families needed temporary shelter after moving to higher ground with the goods they could carry in Surkh Dak (Ninruz) Afghanistan.