

# Research Terms of Reference

[Post-Strike Longitudinal Study on UCT3 Assistance]

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## 1. Executive Summary

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| <b>Country of intervention</b>                                                      | Ukraine                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                 |            |                                     |                 |
| <b>Type of Emergency</b>                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/>                   | Natural disaster                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                             | Conflict   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Other (specify) |
| <b>Type of Crisis</b>                                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>                   | Sudden onset                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                        | Slow onset | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Protracted      |
| <b>Mandating Body/ Agency</b>                                                       | Ukraine Humanitarian Fund (UHF)            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                 |            |                                     |                 |
| <b>IMPACT Project Code</b>                                                          | 64GKI                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                 |            |                                     |                 |
| <b>Overall Research Timeframe</b> (from research design to final outputs / M&E)     | 01/05/2026 to 30/12/2026                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                 |            |                                     |                 |
| <b>Research Timeframe</b><br>Add planned deadlines (for first cycle if more than 1) | 1. Pilot / training: July 2026             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 6. Preliminary presentation: __/__/____                                         |            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                                     | 2. Start data collection: July 2026        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 7. Outputs sent for validation: __/__/____                                      |            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                                     | 3. Data collected: November 2026           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 8. Outputs published: __/__/____                                                |            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                                     | 4. Data analysed: December 2026            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 9. Final presentation: __/__/____                                               |            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                                     | 5. Data sent for validation: December 2026 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                 |            |                                     |                 |
| <b>Number of assessments</b>                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/>                   | Single assessment (one cycle)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                 |            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>        | Multi assessment (more than one cycle)<br><i>Baseline, midline and endline</i><br><br><i>Baseline data collection will be conducted with households eligible for UCT3 prior to receiving the cash transfer (or shortly after, up to 5 days). This will take place on a rolling basis between July and August, due to the unpredictability of air strikes.</i><br><br><i>Midline DC is planned for August and September, with the same households from wave 1, 30 days following receipt of UCT3.</i><br><br><i>The endline assessment will take place in October/November, 90 days after the household received UCT3.</i> |                                                                                 |            |                                     |                 |
| <b>Humanitarian milestones</b>                                                      | <b>Milestone</b>                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>Deadline (can be tentative)</b>                                              |            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/>                   | Donor plan/strategy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | __/__/____                                                                      |            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>        | Inter-cluster plan/strategy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | __/__/____                                                                      |            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>        | Cluster plan/strategy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | __/__/____                                                                      |            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                                     | <input type="checkbox"/>                   | NGO platform plan/strategy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | __/__/____                                                                      |            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>        | Other (Specify):                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | The assessment will inform the country CWG and SP3 implementing partners on the |            |                                     |                 |

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| <b>Audience Type &amp; Dissemination</b><br><i>Specify <b>who</b> will the assessment inform and <b>how</b> you will disseminate to inform the audience</i>                                                | <b>Audience type</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Strategic<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Programmatic<br><input type="checkbox"/> Operational<br><input type="checkbox"/> [Other, Specify]                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |     | <b>Dissemination</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Product Mailing (e.g. mail to NGO consortium; HCT participants; Donors)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cluster Mailing (Education, Shelter and WASH) and presentation of findings at next cluster meeting<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Presentation of findings (e.g. at HCT meeting; Cluster meeting)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Website Dissemination (Relief Web & REACH Resource Centre)<br><input type="checkbox"/> [Other, Specify] |
| <b>Stakeholder mapping</b> <i>Has a detailed stakeholder mapping been conducted during research design to identify all actors that could <b>contribute</b> to and/or <b>benefit from</b> the research?</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>General Objective</b>                                                                                                                                                                                   | To generate longitudinal, response-wide evidence on the relevance, effectiveness, coherence, and efficiency of UCT3 assistance for strike-affected households, in order to support the evaluation of post-strike cash assistance and inform future iterations, adaptations, and coordination of UCT3 under Strategic Priority 3.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Specific Objective(s)</b>                                                                                                                                                                               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To determine the extent to which the UCT3 transfer value contributes to addressing the priority needs of strike-affected households over the intended three-month support period</li> <li>• To assess the contribution of UCT3 to post-strike household stabilization and its role in preventing or reducing reliance on negative coping strategies</li> <li>• To examine how UCT3 complements and interacts with other forms of assistance, including state support, in-kind/cash shelter support, and other sectoral assistance</li> <li>• To assess whether the timing of UCT3 delivery enables strike-affected households to address arising priority needs</li> <li>• To identify the extent of remaining unmet needs, barriers to accessing assistance and lessons learned to inform future SP3 responses</li> <li>• To examine strike-affected households' experiences of accountability and communication throughout the UCT3 response</li> </ul> |     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Research Questions</b>                                                                                                                                                                                  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How do the needs and priorities of strike-affected households evolve during the three-month SP3 response window?</li> <li>2. How does the UCT3 transfer value align with and contribute to addressing households' immediate and evolving priority needs over the intended three-month support period?</li> <li>3. To what extent does UCT3 support household stabilization and the ability to meet priority needs following a strike without relying on negative coping strategies?</li> <li>4. How does UCT3 interact with other forms of support, including state support, in-kind or cash shelter assistance, and other sectoral assistance?</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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|                                                                                                                                 | 5. To what extent is UCT3 delivered in time to enable households to address priority needs following a strike?<br>6. What barriers do households face in accessing assistance, and what needs remain unmet by the end of the three-month period?<br>7. How do households perceive UCT3-related communication and accountability throughout the response period? |                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Geographic Coverage</b>                                                                                                      | Data collection will be implemented nationwide (within government-controlled areas) on a rolling basis, targeting households affected by strikes and identified for UCT3 assistance.                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Secondary data sources</b>                                                                                                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HNRP 2026</li> <li>• UCT / UCT3 methodology guidance</li> <li>• CWG guidance notes</li> <li>• Strike incident data</li> <li>• HOCG operational updates</li> <li>• Previous REACH post-strike assessments</li> </ul>                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Population(s)</b><br><i>Select all that apply</i>                                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | IDPs in camp                                                                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | IDPs in informal sites                                                                                                  |
|                                                                                                                                 | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | IDPs in host communities                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | IDPs [Other, Specify]                                                                                                   |
|                                                                                                                                 | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Refugees in camp                                                                                                       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Refugees in informal sites                                                                                              |
|                                                                                                                                 | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Refugees in host communities                                                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Refugees [Other, Specify]                                                                                               |
|                                                                                                                                 | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Host communities                                                                                                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Households directly affected by airstrikes and eligible for / receiving UCT3 assistance.                                |
| <b>Stratification</b><br><i>Select type(s) and enter number of strata</i>                                                       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Geographical #: _ _ _<br>Population size per strata is known? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Group #: _ _ _<br>Population size per strata is known? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No         |
|                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | [Other Specify] #: _ _<br>Population size per strata is known? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>Data collection tool(s)</b>                                                                                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Structured (Quantitative)                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-structured (Qualitative)                                                                  |
|                                                                                                                                 | <b>Sampling method</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                        | <b>Data collection method</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Structured data collection tool # 1</b><br><i>Select sampling and data collection method and specify target # interviews</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Purposive / operational targeting through UCT3 partner beneficiary lists and eligible strike-affected household registration data. Rolling sample as lists become available.                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Household interview (Target #):<br>Structured quantitative household interviews, mainly by phone, with online or in-person modalities where feasible.<br>Household interviews: 567 in Wave 1, 340 in Wave 2, 204 in Wave 3. Total target: 1112 interviews. |                                                                                                                         |

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| <b>Target level of precision if probability sampling</b>           | N/A. The assessment will use purposive / operational targeting through UCT3 partner beneficiary lists. Findings will be indicative of assessed UCT3 beneficiary households and will not be statistically representative of all strike-affected households nationally. |                                                                                                                      |                                     |                            |                                     |                 |
| <b>Disaggregation by gender and age</b>                            | Gender                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                      | Age                                 |                            |                                     |                 |
| <i>Are you planning to conduct sex/age disaggregated analysis?</i> | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Yes                                                                                                                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Yes                        |                                     |                 |
|                                                                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | No                                                                                                                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No                         |                                     |                 |
| <b>Data management platform(s)</b>                                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | IMPACT                                                                                                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | UNHCR                      |                                     |                 |
|                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | [Other, Specify]                                                                                                     |                                     |                            |                                     |                 |
| <b>Expected output type(s)</b>                                     | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Situation overview #: __                                                                                             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Report #: __               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Profile #: __   |
|                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Presentation (Preliminary findings) #: __                                                                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Presentation (Final) #: __ | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Factsheet #: __ |
|                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Interactive dashboard #: __                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Webmap #: __               | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Map #: __       |
|                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | [Other, Specify] #: __                                                                                               |                                     |                            |                                     |                 |
| <b>Access</b>                                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Public (available on REACH resource center and other humanitarian platforms)                                         |                                     |                            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Restricted (bilateral dissemination only upon agreed dissemination list, no publication on REACH or other platforms) |                                     |                            |                                     |                 |
| <b>Visibility</b> <i>Specify which logos should be on outputs</i>  | <b>REACH</b> [By default unless specified otherwise]                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                      |                                     |                            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                    | <b>Donor:</b> UHF                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                      |                                     |                            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                    | <b>Coordination Framework:</b> -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                      |                                     |                            |                                     |                 |
|                                                                    | <b>Partners:</b> -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                      |                                     |                            |                                     |                 |

## 2. Rationale

### 2.1 Background

Ukraine continues to face repeated airstrikes affecting civilians, housing, infrastructure, and essential services, resulting in both immediate humanitarian needs and longer-term challenges for affected people. Consequently, Strategic Priority 3 — *Providing emergency response after strikes* — was introduced in the 2026 Humanitarian Response Plan to address the immediate and medium-term needs of people affected by strikes through a multi-sectoral response package. In total, 2.7 million people have been identified as in need under SP3, with a planned reach of 929,000 people, including 338,000 people targeted for support through Unified Cash Transfer 3 assistance (UCT3). As UCT3 represents a relatively new approach to delivering unrestricted cash assistance under a specific strategic priority, further learning is needed on how the modality functions in practice, including whether households receive support in a timely manner, how transfers are used, and whether the assistance is sufficient across the intended three-month response period.

This study will address the evidence gap through a multi-wave longitudinal design, using household surveys. By following the same households from shortly post-strike through to 30 and 90 days following cash disbursement, the study will capture how priority needs, coping strategies, recovery patterns and remaining gaps evolve over time. The longitudinal approach

enables assessment of both the immediate and medium-term effects of cash assistance, contributing to a broader understanding of how UCT3 supports affected households throughout the response period.

## 2.2 Intended impact

This assessment will generate longitudinal evidence on the relevance, effectiveness, coherence, and timeliness of the UCT3 modality in addressing the priority needs of strike-affected households, as intended by the objectives of the SP3 response. The findings will be shared among partners involved in the SP3 response to inform strategic and operational decision-making related to UCT3 implementation. Specifically, the assessment will generate insights on how UCT3 supports strike-affected households' priority needs, contributes to household stabilization, enables timely recovery and how the UCT3 modality complements others forms of assistance. The assessment will also examine the remaining gaps via needs which remain unaddressed after the response period, barriers to access, and households' experience with UCT3-related communication and accountability, with the aim of informing future adaptations of the UCT3 approach.

## 3. Methodology

### 3.1 Methodology overview

This assessment will adopt a longitudinal approach to track the evolution of needs and effects of UCT3 over time, with quantitative household surveys as the selected data collection method. The same households directly affected by airstrikes and receiving UCT3 assistance will be interviewed across three waves during the three-month Strategic Priority 3 response window. The study will collect structured household-level data on access to UCT3, timing of assistance, expenditure priorities, perceived adequacy, remaining unmet needs, and household stabilization over time. Longitudinal analysis will be used to assess changes between waves and identify whether UCT3 assistance is meeting its intended purpose across the response period.

Data collection will take place on a rolling basis, as eligible strike incidents, partner registration, beneficiary list sharing, and UCT3 disbursements will not occur within one fixed national window. The assessment will begin with an approximately six-week data collection period, during which eligible strike-affected households receiving UCT3 assistance will be interviewed until the target sample size for Wave 1 is reached. The study will aim to conduct approximately 567 interviews in Wave 1, 340 interviews in Wave 2, and 204 interviews in Wave 3, for an estimated total of 1,112 household interviews. The assessment design reflects a 40% attrition rate between each wave, following consultations with the data collection partner and typical attrition rates observed in similar longitudinal panel studies.

Wave 1 will be conducted before UCT3 disbursement, or as close as possible to disbursement, to establish a baseline. However, given the rapid nature of UCT3 disbursement, which may occur within 1-2 days after a strike, Wave 1 interviews may take place up to five days after disbursement to accommodate operational realities and reduce unnecessary burden on households immediately after an incident. Wave 2 and Wave 3 will be scheduled approximately 30 and 90 days after each household's own UCT3 disbursement date. Data collection will be conducted by phone, with the same respondent across all three waves.

### 3.2 Secondary data review

A secondary data review was conducted to inform the development of this assessment and support broader contextual understanding of the key focus areas. Key sources include documents related to the SP3 response, UCT3 operational guidance developed by the Cash Working Group, cluster products, and other relevant humanitarian data (see table below).

During the data analysis and output production phases, secondary data will be used to support the interpretation of the assessment's findings and provide relevant contextual information on strike impacts, response activities, and evolving humanitarian conditions affecting assessed households.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cash Working Group guidance and UCT3 documentation</li> <li>• Humanitarian Country Team materials</li> <li>• Inter-Cluster Coordination Group products</li> <li>• Shelter/NFI Cluster updates and assessments</li> <li>• Protection Cluster products</li> <li>• CCCM Cluster updates</li> <li>• WASH Cluster products</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster materials</li> <li>• HOCG operational updates</li> <li>• Partner post-strike response information</li> <li>• Publicly available strike incident data</li> <li>• Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan</li> <li>• Previous REACH assessments on frontline needs, damage, winterization, and service disruptions.</li> </ul> |
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### 3.3 Primary Data Collection

The assessment will use a longitudinal panel design, following the same households across three waves. Respondents will be identified through UCT3 beneficiary or referral lists, partner records, and operational information from post-strike response actors, where available. Eligible respondents will be adult household members directly affected by an airstrike and receiving UCT3 assistance.

Data collection will be conducted primarily through phone interviews. Following baseline data collection, participation in subsequent waves will be sought from the same household respondent where possible. The assessment design anticipates respondent attrition, accounting for fewer interviews in Waves 2 and 3, due to potential household displacement and challenges in maintaining contact over time. However, to mitigate panel attrition, respondents will be asked whether they consent to participating in follow-up interviews.

| Wave   | Target interviews | Timing                                                  | Indicative precision | Main focus                                                                                                                         |
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| Wave 1 | 567               | Before UCT3 disbursement, or as close as possible*      | 95% / 5%             | Strike impact, immediate needs, first support received, shelter or displacement situation, expectations of UCT3, coping strategies |
| Wave 2 | 340               | Around 30 days after each household's UCT3 disbursement | 95% / 6%             | Receipt and use of UCT3, timing, interaction with other support, perceived adequacy in meeting needs, remaining unmet needs        |
| Wave 3 | 204               | Around 90 days after each household's UCT3 disbursement | 95% / 7%             | Household stabilization, changes in needs, remaining gaps, coping strategies, complementarity with other assistance                |

\*Due to the rapid nature of UCT3 implementation, Wave 1 interviews may, in some instances, take place up to 5 days after disbursement. This will be tracked and considered during analysis but is not expected to materially affect the interpretation of results, given that analysis will focus on changes within households over time.

The sample will not be statistically representative of all strike-affected households nationally. Findings will be indicative of assessed households and will support operational learning on UCT3 implementation.

**Tools:** A structured household questionnaire will be developed by REACH and programmed for digital data collection by enumerators during phone interviews. The tool will cover strike impact, household displacement and shelter situation, access to UCT3, timing of receipt, use of cash, perceived adequacy, remaining unmet needs, and household stabilization over time. The same core indicators will be repeated across waves to enable longitudinal analysis, with minor wave-specific modules added where needed.

**Triangulation, briefing and debriefing:** Enumerators will receive training on the research objectives, questionnaire, consent process, respondent protection, and longitudinal follow-up procedures. Incoming data will be monitored daily through consistency checks, completion reviews, and review of response patterns. REACH will hold regular debriefings with the data collection partner to identify issues, clarify questions, and adjust field procedures where needed. Primary findings will be triangulated with secondary data, partner information, and operational updates on post-strike response.

### 3.4 Data Processing & Analysis

Household data will be collected through phone interviews and captured using a structured KoboToolbox questionnaire. All data will be stored in a password-protected database with access restrictions (detailed in Section 7). Following each data collection wave, the datasets will undergo systematic cleaning, checks for completeness, duplicates, inconsistencies, outliers and missing values. Final datasets will be reviewed to identify outstanding data quality issues with IMPACT's Minimum Standards Checklist for Data Cleaning and Processing for Structured (Quantitative) Data used as a guideline throughout the process.

The assessment will use standardised indicators across waves to enable data comparison over time. Analysis will follow the Data Analysis Plan and use descriptive statistics, cross-tabulations, and longitudinal comparison across waves to assess changes in household needs, coping strategies, and outcomes over the three-month response period.

### 3.5 Limitations

This study has several limitations which will be acknowledged throughout the data collection, analysis, and reporting processes. Due to operational realities, respondent attrition is expected between interview waves, particularly due to displacement, changes in contact information, and challenges in maintaining follow-up over the data collection period. The assessment also targets households affected by strikes, which, due to the sensitive nature of these experiences, may affect respondents' ability to accurately recall and report information, introducing potential recall bias. The dynamic and rapidly changing context following strikes may further affect household circumstances between data collection waves which will be considered during data analysis and interpretation of longitudinal trends. Finally, given the geographic unpredictability of strike incidents, the findings will only be indicative of the experiences of assessed households and cannot be generalized for all strike-affected households at a national level.

## 4. Key ethical considerations and related risks

The proposed research design meets / does not meet the following criteria:

| <i><b>The proposed research design...</b></i>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Yes/ No</b> | <b>Details if no (including mitigation)</b>                                                                                                                                        |
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| ... Has been coordinated with relevant stakeholders to <b>avoid unnecessary duplication</b> of data collection efforts?                                                                                                                                    | Yes            |                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| ... <b>Respects respondents, their rights and dignity</b> ( <i>specifically by: seeking informed consent, designing length of survey/ discussion while being considerate of participants' time, ensuring accurate reporting of information provided</i> )? | Yes            |                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| ... Does not <b>expose data collectors to any risks as a direct result</b> of participation in data collection?                                                                                                                                            | Yes            |                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| ... Does not <b>expose respondents / their communities to any risks as a direct result</b> of participation in data collection?                                                                                                                            | Yes            |                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| ... Does not involve <b>collecting information on specific topics which may be stressful and/ or re-traumatising</b> for research participants (both respondents and data collectors)?                                                                     | No             | The assessment will adopt a trauma-informed approach to survey design and data collection. Survey questions will be developed with a view to minimize distress and avoid intrusive |

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|                                                                                                                                                            |     | questions during interaction with respondents.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| ... Does not involve <b>data collection with minors</b> i.e. anyone less than 18 years old?                                                                | Yes |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| ... Does not involve <b>data collection with other vulnerable groups</b> e.g. persons with disabilities, victims/ survivors of protection incidents, etc.? | No  | Due to the nature of the assessment, vulnerable individuals/groups may be represented among survey respondents. The assessment will employ a sensitivity-oriented survey design as a mitigating measure. Enumerators will also receive training on ethical and sensitive engagement practices during data collection. Respondents will be informed that survey participation is voluntary and based on informed consent. |
| ... Follows IMPACT SOPs for management of <b>personally identifiable information</b> ?                                                                     | Yes |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

## 5. Roles and responsibilities

| <i>Task Description</i>                     | <i>Responsible</i>                          | <i>Accountable</i> | <i>Consulted</i>                                         | <i>Informed</i>             |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Research design</i>                      | Research Manager                            | Research Manager   | IMPACT HQ, Country CWG, Shelter cluster, WFP, IMPACT DCC | UHF                         |
| <i>Supervising data collection</i>          | Senior Assessment Officer                   | Research Manager   | Data collection partner                                  | IMPACT DCC                  |
| <i>Data processing (checking, cleaning)</i> | Senior Assessment Officer                   | Research Manager   |                                                          | IMPACT HQ                   |
| <i>Data analysis</i>                        | Senior Assessment Officer                   | Research Manager   | IMPACT DCC                                               |                             |
| <i>Output production</i>                    | Senior Assessment Officer                   | Research Manager   | UHF, Country CWG, Shelter cluster                        | IMPACT DCC                  |
| <i>Dissemination</i>                        | Research Manager, Senior Assessment Officer | Research Manager   | IMPACT DCC                                               | UHF, Country CWG, IMPACT HQ |

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| <i>Monitoring &amp; Evaluation</i> | Research Manager | Research Manager | IMPACT HQ  | IMPACT DCC                                   |
| <i>Lessons learned</i>             | Research Manager | Research Manager | IMPACT DCC | UHF, IMPACT HQ, Country CWG, Shelter cluster |

## 6. Data Analysis Plan

The detailed Data Analysis Plan with the first wave questionnaire can be found here [UCT3 DAP](#).

## 7. Data Management Plan

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| <b>Administrative Data</b>                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |
| Research Cycle name                                                                                      | Post-Strike Longitudinal Study on UCT3 Assistance                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |
| Project Code                                                                                             | 64GKI                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |
| Donor                                                                                                    | UHF                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |
| Project partners                                                                                         | Ukraine Cash Working Group                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |
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| Data Management Plan Version                                                                             | Date: June 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Version: 01                                                                          |                                                                                                                                              |
| Related Policies                                                                                         | [List any relevant policies/procedures on data management, data sharing and data security that this project will be based on]                                                                                                                    |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Documentation and Metadata</b>                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |
| What documentation and metadata will accompany the data?<br><i>Select all that apply</i>                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Data analysis plan                                                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Data Cleaning Log, including:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Deletion Log<br><input type="checkbox"/> Value Change Log |
|                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Code book                                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Data Dictionary                                                                                                     |
|                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Metadata based on HDX Standards                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> [Other, Specify]                                                                                                    |
| <b>Ethics and Legal Compliance</b>                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |
| Which ethical and legal measures will be taken?                                                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Consent of participants to participate                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent of participants to share personal information with other agencies                                |
|                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | No collection of personally identifiable data will take place                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Gender, child protection and other protection issues are taken into account                                         |
|                                                                                                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | All participants reached age of majority                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> [Other, Specify]                                                                                                    |
| Who will own the copyright and Intellectual Property Rights for the data that is collected?              | IMPACT / REACH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Storage and Backup</b>                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |
| Where will data be stored and backed up during the research?                                             | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | IMPACT/REACH Kobo Server                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Kobo Server: <i>[specify]</i>                                                                                 |
|                                                                                                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | IMPACT Global Physical / Cloud Server                                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Country/Internal Server                                                                                             |
|                                                                                                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | On devices held by REACH staff                                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Physical location <i>[specify]</i>                                                                                  |
|                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | [Other, Specify]                                                                     |                                                                                                                                              |
| Which data access and security measures have been taken?                                                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Password protection on devices/servers                                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Data access is limited to REACH Staff                                                                    |
|                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Form and data encryption on data collection server                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Partners signed an MoU if accessing raw data                                                                        |
|                                                                                                          | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | [Other, Specify]                                                                     |                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Kobo Access Rights</b>                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |
| Account Name(s)                                                                                          | Person(s)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Type of Kobo access                                                                  |                                                                                                                                              |
| <a href="mailto:Lyudmila.vassukova@impact-initiatives.org">Lyudmila.vassukova@impact-initiatives.org</a> | Lucy Vassukova                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> View<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Edit | <input type="checkbox"/> Submit Data<br><input type="checkbox"/> Download Data                                                               |
| enumkr_kiis                                                                                              | KIIS enumerators                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> View<br><input type="checkbox"/> Edit            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Submit Data<br><input type="checkbox"/> Download Data                                                    |
| andrii.mynko@reach-                                                                                      | Andrii Mynko                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> View                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Submit Data                                                                                                         |

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| initiative.org                                                 |                                                                                     |                                                                                 |                                                                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Edit | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Download Data                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Raw Data Access Rights</b>                                  |                                                                                     |                                                                                 |                                                                                |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Raw Data Access                                                | Reason                                                                              |                                                                                 |                                                                                | Person                                   |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Accountable                                                    | SAO Accountable                                                                     |                                                                                 |                                                                                | Lyudmila Vassiyukova                     |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Access                                                         | Data Officer                                                                        |                                                                                 |                                                                                | Andrii Mynko                             |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Preservation</b>                                            |                                                                                     |                                                                                 |                                                                                |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Where will data be stored for long-term preservation?          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                 | IMPACT / REACH Global Cloud / Physical Server                                   |                                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/>                 | OCHA HDX                                                                                                                                                                 |
|                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                            | REACH Country Server                                                            |                                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/>                 | [Other, Specify]                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Data Sharing</b>                                            |                                                                                     |                                                                                 |                                                                                |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Will the data be shared publicly?                              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                 | Yes                                                                             |                                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/>                 | No, only with mandating agency / body                                                                                                                                    |
| Will all data be shared?                                       | <input type="checkbox"/>                                                            | Yes                                                                             |                                                                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>      | No, only anonymized data will be shared                                                                                                                                  |
|                                                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                 | No, No raw data will be shared, only the analysis.                              |                                                                                |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Where will you share the data?                                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                 | REACH Resource Centre                                                           |                                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/>                 | OCHA HDX                                                                                                                                                                 |
|                                                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                 | Humanitarian Response                                                           |                                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/>                 | [Other, Specify]                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Data protection risk assessment</b>                         |                                                                                     |                                                                                 |                                                                                |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Have you completed the Indicators Risk Assessment table below? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                 | Yes                                                                             |                                                                                | <input type="checkbox"/>                 | No, no information that potentially allows identification of individuals is to be collected.                                                                             |
|                                                                | [Please complete the first 4 columns in the Indicators Risk Assessment table below] |                                                                                 |                                                                                |                                          |                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Risk indicator (including direct and indirect identifiers)     | Type of identification risk                                                         | Disclosure implications                                                         | Benefits                                                                       | Class                                    | Required mitigation                                                                                                                                                      |
| Respondent phone number                                        | Direct identifier                                                                   | Loss of privacy, unwanted contact, possible identification of respondent        | Needed to contact the respondent and conduct follow-up interviews across waves | [To be completed by IMPACT HQ]           | Store securely, restrict access to authorized staff only, do not share raw contact data externally, and delete or archive according to IMPACT data protection procedures |
| Location and strike timing                                     | Indirect identifier                                                                 | Possible identification of households when location, strike date, and household | Needed to understand response timing, geographic context, and                  |                                          | Aggregate findings where needed, avoid reporting small cell sizes, and avoid publishing                                                                                  |

|                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | characteristics are combined                                                                            | relevance of UCT3 assistance                                                                                            |  | identifiable incident level details                                                                                                                           |
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| Household vulnerability, assistance received, and coping information | Indirect identifier and sensitive information                                                                                                                                                                                                | Possible exposure of household vulnerability, assistance status, financial stress, or coping strategies | Needed to assess whether UCT3 supports priority needs, household stabilization, and reduced reliance on negative coping |  | Collect only necessary information, allow respondents to skip sensitive questions, report only aggregated findings, and suppress small or identifiable groups |
| <b>Responsibilities</b>                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                         |  |                                                                                                                                                               |
| Data collection                                                      | KIIS enumerators                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                         |  |                                                                                                                                                               |
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## Annex