

Plea for Aid

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The Viet Cong yesterday asked the International Red Cross and the United Nations for emergency aid for six million war refugees now under Communist control, the Red Cross announced. It said two million of the refugees are children.

The Viet Cong, officially called the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam, made its request to the Red Cross and the U.N. children's emergency fund. It requested top priority for clothing, drugs and fortified foods.

UNICEF said it will launch a new appeal for funds to meet the request.

The Red Cross said earlier the Viet Cong asked for \$2 million for clothing, drugs and food.

The Red Cross said it will respond as rapidly as possible within the limits of a fund appeal made March 25.

So far 12 national Red Cross societies have pledged more than \$4 million, it said.

It said the Viet Cong Red Cross already has been granted \$200,000 for food and medicines.

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