# Module 1.3 – Activity 2 – Case Studies

## Analyse the risks in each case study and develop messages and information relating to prevention of separation.

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| In a situation of famine, some children, apparently alone, are observed to be outside therapeutic feeding centres. The medical teams running the centres say they don’t know where the children have come from or who they are and are too busy to try and find out what is happening. The teams are overwhelmed and not particularly welcoming to approaches from CP staff. | There are reports of large numbers of unaccompanied children at a transit site from where displaced persons are moved onwards to temporary camps and shelters. There are chaotic scenes at the site as people try to board transport. |
| You have heard from members of a child protection committee that UASC and CHH in the displaced persons camp have been given “luxury tents” and packages of non-food items – these are being distributed by a humanitarian organization. | In the aftermath of a natural disaster, residential care centres are expanding fast as more children are admitted. Some of those centres have received coverage in the local media and are said to be “saving orphaned children” and one centre has a large banner outside informing the population that “orphans” will be well cared for and receive an education. |
| In a refugee situation, field staff report they have registered many unaccompanied children at the local hospital where treatment is being provided for an outbreak of cholera. | A group of migrant workers has arrived at the refugee camp from a neighbouring country where there is armed conflict – the group includes a lot of children of different ages, many of whom are thought to be family members. |
| Following a major earthquake there are a number of unconfirmed reports of children going missing from residential care centres, all of them are said to be girls. | Orphanages report that a number of foster families have recently brought the children they have been caring for and relinquished care saying they are unable to manage to feed them or provide for them. |
| During documentation, a number of young children have reported that they couldn’t find their family again after they were sent off, away from the refugee camp, to find firewood. | International media coverage has focused on the large numbers of “orphaned children” and the need for them to receive loving care. It is reported that people are visiting residential care centres and camps to offer adoption overseas. |