Addendum to proposal to MSF  
U-Dome200 18.5m\(^2\) Shelter for 5

_A uniquely efficient shelter. A new shelter paradigm._  
_Advantageous solution for a wide range of shelter needs._

**Price, in quantity of 5000 for MSF:**
- (Cost data removed. Contact World Shelters for costs.)

**Benefits:**
- Lightweight compact shipping
- Pleasant secure living space
- Simple assembly
- Flame retardant
- UV-resistant (long life)
- Low cost, durable
- Withstand high wind, rain
- Snow load option (Snow Peak)
- Insulation panels option
- Disassemble and re-use

**Design Features:**
- Shingled construction
- Shell structure, no internal frame
- Panels form internal support struts
- U-Dome200 is 16 ft diameter, 12 ft tall, 200 square feet (18.5 m\(^2\))
- Several door options
- Several floor and platform plans for various site conditions
- Roof vents and panel vents, including 25-watt solar powered roof vent
- One opening screened window and one fixed window
- Graphic instructions supplemented with multi-language details
- Re-usable nylon fasteners install with simple hand tools
- Assembles with four people in four hours
- 75 units ship in a standard ocean freight container.
- Recyclable material
U-Dome200 Specifications

Dimensions
4.88 m diameter x 3.66 m height (16 ft diameter x 12 ft height)
18.6 m² enclosed space (200 ft²)

Materials
Panels are flame-retardant corrugated polypropylene, 5mm thick (mat’l specs available)
Precision die-cut panels of five shapes, including pre-punched bolt holes
3 to 5 year panel lifetime if not painted or protected from UV
Can paint with exterior latex enamel (water based) for UV protection and extended use

Fasteners
Bolts nylon M6x30mm Philips panhead, natural
Nuts nylon 66 “Push-n-Twist” M6 black
Washers nylon 25mm OD x 6.3mm ID, natural

Design
Weatherproof shingled laminar dome of diamond panels, scored/folded into triangles
2½ icosahedron geometry, ½ dome on vertical wall 1.17m (46”)
Internal framework provided by “origami beams” folded from the panels on every interior edge
External shingling of every edge and vertex

Doors
Dome panels pre-cut to frame 24”x72” 10mm poly or RV-style locking solid and screen double door
Interior wooden door frame included for 24”x72” doors
Dome panels pre-cut to frame 30”x80” door, for US pre-hung exterior door (acquired locally)

Vents
Roof vents: aluminum hooded and skirted vent, 4”, 6” or 12” diameter
Panel vents: aluminum screened and shingled vent, 6”x16”
Cooking vent or wood stove vent: galvanized steel panel with pass-through for specified vent pipe

Windows
Acrylic (Plexiglas) triangle windows 17” tall x 34” wide, with screened opening mechanism.

Snow/Cold
Snow Peak option shunts snow off of the uppermost / most horizontal roof section
Insulation panels option provides R17 insulation. 4mm FR inner panels enclose 10cm thick sections.

Floor options
Floors are provided by user, as appropriate for each site
Plans provided by WS for joisted floor using ¾” OSB and PT 2x4’s

Modularity
Multiple U-Domes can be joined together

Load capacities
Standard single-shell U-Dome: Wind resistance to Force 9; Snow load to 10cm (4”) on ground snow
Double-U Dome for winter, with Snow Cap: snow loads in excess of 25cm (10”) ground snow
Insulation by dead-air gap of 9cm (3 ½”), minimizes both conduction and convection

Anchor/guying
Footing at base of vertical wall panels provides screw-down anchor points into wooden platforms
Attachment eyes at key locations on U-Dome for attaching guy lines and/or anchor lines
Anchoring is mandatory. Guy lines recommended when wind exceeds 40mph.

Instructions
Iconic instructions and labeling on every edge of U-Dome panels guide the assembly process

Assembly
Four people can assemble a complete U-Dome in four hours.

Standards
Complies with Sphere standards, suitable for maximum five residents

Shipping
1.82m x 1.52m x .25m (72”x60”x12”) unit pack includes U-Dome shell, fasteners, instructions, tools
Packed in one parcel of 91kg (200lbs), can be hand carried by 2-3 people to site of use
75 unit packs fit inside a standard 40’ shipping container = 1,784 m2 (19,200 ft²) shelter per container
Engineering Strength and Load Analysis
Following is the Engineering Report for the U-Dome200 by World Shelters’ licensed civil engineer.
The embedded .pdf file can be opened by double-clicking on the icon.

Summary:
World Shelters is an international NGO and US non-profit (501c3) with the mission of supporting established agencies’ expressed needs for shelter. We are unique in that we design and manufacture our own lines of shelters appropriate for a wide variety of emergency relief and transitional shelter contexts.

World Shelters emphasizes the importance and value of transitional shelter as a means towards rebuilding communities by enabling productivity and economic development as a corollary outcome from provision of shelter. Whereas emergency relief shelter is an expense with no mid-term or long-term value, transitional shelter has retained value as an asset with specific purpose on a path towards permanent housing.

World Shelters’ U-Dome is the most cost-effective and strongest by weight transitional shelter available today. U-Domes are rapidly deployable, and able to be dismantled and relocated if needed.

The double-shell insulated W-Domes with Snow Peak are appropriate for areas that can have one meter or more of ground snow. The double shell provides R17 insulation value, and also significantly increases the strength of the structure.

We trust that you will find that these shelters offer significant value and are appropriate for your requirements. Please engage us with any questions you may have.

For World Shelters it will be our privilege to be of service to MSF.

Bruce LeBel
Executive Director

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Options in addition to the U-Dome200 18.5m² Shelter for 5
(Costs removed from this version. Contact World Shelters for costs.)

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