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Summary

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Action Points

1. All humanitarian actors requiring cargo movement should use the [Cargo Movement Request form](#) and send to UNJLC at lebanon.cargo@unjlc.org
2. All humanitarian actors are invited to share information on their relief cargo pipeline.
3. Any feedback/follow up on cargo movements can be addressed directly through UNJLC.

Operational Update & Cargo Movement

1. The German C160s currently tasked by UNHAS will be stopping rotations between Cyprus and Beirut as of tomorrow (20/9/06). After this date, the Logistics Cluster will continue to provide support for cargo that may still arrive in in Cyprus, organizing the transport by commercial (surface) transport means.
2. Since transport with regular commercial means through Arida is possible, there is no need for transshipment at the border any longer. The CLP in Arida has therefore to be considered as closed.
3. IMC has informed of goods expected in Cyprus, quantities and arrival date to be confirmed in the coming days.
4. To date, UNICEF is the only organisation to have expressed a need for cargo transport requirements through October. This will be for water distribution and its Back to School programme. Cargo movement within Lebanon is expected to continue until 20th October, although the transport provider WFP will wind down operations by 15 October. Organisations are requested to inform the Logistics Cluster of their incoming pipeline and cargo movement requirements as soon as possible since it is expected that the staffing of the cluster will be further reduced as from 30 September.
5. CARE has informed of distribution for 2,500 beneficiaries to take place over the coming weeks. A CMR will be forwarded to the Logistics Cluster for movement.

6. Upon request of WFP, IOM confirmed that it was its intention to import 30 - 60 fully assembled prefabricated houses for southern Lebanon and would seek support from the logistics cluster for the transport. However, the funding had yet to be confirmed. WFP suggested to IOM to seek the endorsement of the shelter cluster regarding the necessity of this import. The cluster would not arrange the transport from Aleppo, the reported point of origin of the prefabs. Furthermore, since commercial transport from Syria into Lebanon was now possible, the cluster has closed its operations at Al Arida. The cluster would receive the cargo at the Beirut CLP and organise forward transport to the final destination, provided the cargo could be handled with regular means (i.e. no oversized cargoes requiring offloading with cranes at the delivery point). WFP also recommended to IOM to investigate the access route to the discharge point prior to ordering the prefabs to avoid having them reaching Beirut without a possibility of forwarding them to their intended destinations because of inappropriate dimensions.

Next meeting: Tuesday 26 September 2006 in WFP's conference room.