

## LIBYA LOGISTICS CLUSTER MEETING MINUTES

*Cairo, Egypt  
9 June 2011*

**Chair:** WFP

**Participants:** WHO, ICRC, WFP, UNHAS

**Action Point:** No action points identified.

### 1. General Logistics Update

- Assessment missions have taken place in the last week to Misrata, Tripoli and the Tunisian Dehiba border.
- Over the last month, four commercial container shipping lines have resumed some limited shipments directly into Benghazi.
- Protective and communications equipment and armoured vehicles for the use of humanitarian organizations can no longer be taken across the Salloum border crossing in Egypt. These items can be shipped directly into Libya from Egyptian or other ports as long as they have been held in free zones and are clearly marked "in transit".

### 2. Transport and Storage

#### *Transport*

- The WFP-chartered ship Nevcivan has completed offloading interagency goods for SOS Malta and Malta Civil Protection in Misrata. The ship has now returned to Benghazi to reload food for further deliveries to Misrata.
- Another ship, MV Baris, has been contracted by WFP to run from Alexandria to Misrata, arriving on June 14 and due to leave on June 17 with food on board. Humanitarian organizations are being offered space on this vessel for interagency cargo through the Logistics Cluster.
- 1,628 m3 of interagency goods have been transported to date by sea at no cost to user through this service.
- The ship Al Entisar, chartered by I-Go Foundation, has been contracted for three months to continue deliveries of relief goods from Malta to Misurata.
- The corridor from Tunisia into the Nafusa Mountains is ensuring ongoing deliveries of relief goods into the region. For organizations wishing to transport goods into this area, interagency cargo can be accepted in WFP convoys currently serving the hubs of Nalud, Jado and Zintan. Transport into Libya is provided by the LRC with customs support from the TRC.
- WFP, through the Logistics Cluster, continues to offer road transport services on a cost recovery basis from Alexandria/Cairo to Benghazi/Tobruq and within Libya from Benghazi and Tobruq. To date, 1,375 m3 has been transported ex-Egypt for nine organizations. Another 6,000 m3 is now in the pipeline for UNICEF, UNHCR and Acted.

#### *Storage*

- The Logistics Cluster is continuing to offer free storage service to humanitarian organizations in the 20,000 m2 warehouse in Ganfuda, 25 km from Benghazi. So far, 3,273 m3 has been stored on behalf of nine organizations. UNHCR, UNICEF, IRD, IMC, and ACTED currently have goods in the facility.
- 1,400 m2 of covered commercial storage is available in Tunisia at the Zarzis Free Zone, along with another 5,000 m2 of open-air storage. WFP has five mobile storage units available to be erected as a contingency should more covered storage be required.

### 3. Customs

- All goods destined for transport from Egypt and Tunisia into Libya should be clearly marked "in transit for Libya" and have an organization registered in-country as consignee. In Egypt, an agent can be

added as a second consignee for notification purposes. Organizations not registered can import goods through implementing partners.

- Many organizations are reporting problems with difficult and lengthy customs procedures in Egypt.

#### 4. UNHAS Update

- From May 1 through June 5, UNHAS transported 501 passengers from 73 UN agencies, NGOs and diplomatic corps on 16 flights between Malta, Cairo, Djerba and Benghazi. Further details about accessing these services, along with the revised schedule, are available at <http://www.logcluster.org/ops/lby11a/unhas-schedule-and-forms>.
- Passengers must continue to book minimum 72 hours before a flight in order to meet pre-notification requirements for clearances.
- UNHAS have been assisting WHO with deliveries of cold chain to transport vaccines into Benghazi.

#### 5. New Information Products Produced During the Week

- During the *last week (2 – 9 June)*, the Logistics Cluster shared the following products with the humanitarian community:

**Posted on the website** <http://www.logcluster.org/ops/lby11a> :

1. Minutes of June 1 Zarzis logistics coordination meeting;
2. Minutes of June 2 Benghazi logistics coordination meeting;
3. Logistics Cluster Situation Report
4. Revised UNHAS Flight Schedule
5. Revised Libya Airports and Ports snapshots
6. Snapshot on the Salloum border crossing
7. Map of the Tunisia corridor into the Nafusa Mountains
8. Map of the Tunisia – Libya Logistics Corridor updated

**Circulated by e-mail:**

9. Space available on WFP chartered ship MV Baris from Alexandria to Misrata

#### 6. Tour de Table

- WHO have been offering space on their trucks to NGOs in need of transport.

#### 7. The Way Forward

- The Logistics Cluster will be putting a questionnaire in place to assess the needs of partners in terms of road and sea transport, storage, coordination and information management in order to direct future efforts and resources to meet these needs and priorities.

#### 8. AOB

- The time and date of the next meeting in both Benghazi and Cairo will be changed to 11 am on Wednesdays in order to better meet the schedules of participants.

**The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 15 at the WFP Conference Room.**