OPERATIONAL UPDATES BY AGENCIES

• **UNICEF**
Preparation ongoing, 1 truck 10Mt capacity is based in Monrovia and 2 standby agreements with 2 transporters in Liberia. Some stocks are already pre-positioned in Lofa and Bong counties. UNICEF has a warehouse in Bong County and in Monrovia and partner’s storage in Saclepea. UNICEF is expecting 10 new storage tents in country by sea in February of next year.

• **OXFAM GB**
Contingency stocks for WASH for 10,000 are being prepositioned in the east of Liberia. 3 more emergency response staff have been added to Oxfam team in Liberia, in order to coordinate and support operations on field. Oxfam is also in partnership with ACF.

• **WORLD VISION**
A Logistics Preparedness & Planning Manager has been deployed in Accra and has logistics Cluster experience (WFP Rome), hence could help staff a logistics cluster cell if activated.

• **WFP**
A regional Special Operation (SO) for logistics augmentation is being completed. High energy biscuits (HEB) were airlifted from Accra to Monrovia this weekend and moved by road to Nimba. Biscuits distributions for refugees have started. Approval for loans has been received and all commodities made available in Saclepea to UNHCR to distribute. WFP is still advocating for camps relocation in accessible areas. Cluster coordinator is scheduled to arrive in Abidjan this week. LCA mission in Guinea in ongoing.
New LCA for Ghana is ready and will be posted on cluster web after final review Joint assessment will be conducted this week in Monrovia port and Robertsville airport to identify where additional storage capacity would be required esp. for NFI.
A logistics working group chaired by WFP has been activated in Liberia

• **HCR**
Refugee camp under negotiation with government not yet decided. HCR has four house facilities in Liberia.
  1. rented warehouse 10000 M/tons
2. One prefabricated Saclepea with storage capacity of 300 M/tons
3. One prefabricated in Loguatu with a capacity of 400 MTNS and
4. Rubb hall In Voinjama with storage capacity of 300 M/Tons in addition to this 4 new Wiikhalls on standby. HCR has an office and fuel depot of 6500 gallons.
5. HCR has 15 trucks available in the country. Out of it, 11 are Cargo trucks with carriage capacity of 5 and 7 mts and 4 are specialized trucks. 4 trucks are stationed in Saclepea and 7 are stationed in Monrovia. HCR has two maintenance workshops managed by an implementing partner.

At logistic level, the food commodities and NFI have been positioned in the warehouses of Saclepea. HCR is making plans to deploy 2 trucks from Togo and 1 from Accra, in order to augment the capacity of their fleet. Current trucking capacity remains a constraint and HCR is looking in to the ways to augment further to meet the needs.

One airlift of emergency equipment has been carried out to Guinea and to Liberia. HCR will have 1 more logistics supplier who will operate between Liberia and Guinea (Nzerekore).

- **IFCR**
  
  Contingency stocks are being prepositionated. These stocks are covering the refugees in Liberia (1500 families+WATSAN kit for 5000 beneficiaries), Guinea Nzerekore (1500 families) Mali Sikasso (500 families) Ghana Accra National Red Cross (500 families) and Burkina Faso Ouagadougou (500 families). These stocks are composed by per family:
  - 2 blankets
  - 2 sleeping mats
  - 2 mosquito nets
  - 1 bucket graduated 15 liters
  - 1 jerry cans collapsible 20 liters
  - 1 kitchen set
  - 2 tarpaulins and shelter tools kits
  - Family tents

1 RDRT log and watsan has been deployed in Guinea (Nzerekore), 1 operation Coordinator in Liberia and 1 watsan delegate in Liberia.

IFRC fleet positioned: one 7 tons truck in Dakar and one in Monrovia, 10 Land Cruiser in Liberia, one land Cruiser pick up in Guinea.
The draft concept of operation was shared with all participants prior to the meeting for review.

The process of the EHAP was presented and explained. The deadline is today for the submission of projects for reopening the regional CAP, which will be completed by the end of this week.

The following logistics needs and steps were jointly identified and confirmed. Those will be reflected in the final version of the ConOps and included in the budget submitted for the EHAP.

Ivory Coast:
- Logistics Cluster activation;
- Joint warehousing, including one storage tent in Abidjan;
- Joint trucking capacity, in the form of 4 UN truck units and standby arrangement with commercial fleet to be available on full cost recovery as needed. This will also prevent increase of transportation rates.

Liberia:
- Road and bridges repairs, twelve bridges in Nimba and contingency for spot road repairs;
- UNWFP truck fleet augmentation by 10 units additional, to be availed if needed on cost recovery to other agencies (fuel, perdiem and running costs);
- Augmentation of capacity in warehouses of Saclepea, Zwedru, Harper, including for NFI;
- New warehouse GBanga, to be set up as a buffer and since no other suitable warehouse is available in Nimba;
- Offices and staff accommodation augmentation and set of joint guesthouse arrangements for staff;
- Airstrip rehabilitation in Saclepea.

In the region:
- Information sharing platform/sector group
- Airlift UNHRD Accra.
Action Points

1. Draft project documents for log augmentation to be circulated for review. Posting latest by Wednesday 5 for agencies to review Thursday and EHAP launch Friday – action by WFP.

2. Continue to maintain close logistics coordination and exchange platform in Dakar and also consider inviting countries logistics working group to join on conference calls – action by WFP / ALL AGENCIES.

3. Activation of log cluster in Ivory Coast – action by ALL AGENCIES.

4. One more Wiikhall needed for NFI in Abidjan (to be used by all partners) – action by WFP.

5. Seek special arrangements for customs and clearing humanitarian cargoes - action by WFP, Logistics working groups at Country Offices.

6. CIV LCA need to be updated – action by WFP.

7. Consolidate and circulate regional stocks, including UNHRD stocks. For now only UNHCR and WFP stocks have been communicated - action: ALL AGENCIES.

8. Share names of logistics focal points in country offices – action by ALL AGENCIES.
Review of last week recommendations:

1. Maintain close logistics coordination and exchange platform in Dakar until such time the location of a regional coordination would be established. Ensure the platform serves also as link with country offices from respective organisations and that participants are in line with their country operational plans.
   Action: ONGOING

2. Draft a Special Operation (SO) for logistics augmentation and response. It remains a pending question whether the SO should already be of interagency nature, though WFP will include in it components to augment readiness as part of its logistics cluster lead responsibility.
   Action: DONE

3. Identify and secure a truck fleet for lease in Cote d’Ivoire and secure standby arrangement.
   Action: DONE

4. Confirm potential location of refugee camps in Mali
   Action: DONE (Bounouni and Lounouni have been identified)

5. Continue advocate in Liberia to locate the refugees in accessible areas
   Action: ONGOING

6. Identify or establish communication lines with DPKO missions on logistics issues (CIMIC)
   Action: Will be part of WFP logistics augmentation operation

7. Update and circulate the logistics map
   Action: DONE

8. Consolidate and circulate regional stocks, including UNHRD stocks. For now only UNHCR and WFP stocks have been communicated
   Action PENDING

9. Share names of logistics focal points in country offices
   Action PENDING

Next meeting to take place Tuesday 11 Jan 2010 – 10 h