LOGISTICS COORDINATION MEETING MINUTES

North Africa Crisis
Zarzis, Tunisia
6 April 2011

Chair: Max Cosci – Logistics Officer (Tunisia)
Participants: UNICEF, IMC, USAID, DFID, UNHCR, OCHA, Merlin, STC
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1. Logistics Sector in Tunisia
   • Logistics coordination meetings will continue to be chaired by WFP in Tunisia. The location will change to the Odyssey Hotel in Zarzis at 20:00 on Wednesdays.

2. Customs Procedures
   • Medical equipment and drugs for humanitarian operations have been imported without any difficulties through a regular forwarding agent. All imports have remained free of tax. Goods must be marked “Don au profit des migrants depuis la libye.”

3. Transport – Air and Sea
   • WFP has confirmed that Benghazi port is fully operational. It has not been damaged and all necessary facilities are available for receiving relief cargo.
   • A brief overview of the key Tunisian ports (Rades, Sfax and Zarzis) has been posted at http://www.logcluster.org/ops/northafrica
   • Benghazi airport authorities have reported that the airport is fully operational and capable of receiving flights. The civilian radar is in working order. Storage and handling facilities are available. However for now, it is not being used by civilian aircraft.

4. Land Transport
   • Updated lists of transporters and freight forwarders for Tunisia, Egypt and Libya are available at: http://www.logcluster.org/ops/northafrica

5. Warehousing
   • Common storage remains available in Benghazi (total capacity 25,000 m²). For further information or to request storage services, contact: northafricacargo@logcluster.org.
   • By the end of this week, all five mobile storage units (MSUs) that were received in Tunisia will have been erected at Choucha. One and a half of these MSUs will be available for common storage for the humanitarian community. It is possible that five more MSUs may be brought in for contingency purposes.
   • WFP is planning to provide warehouse and supply chain training. Organisations can request for some of their staff to attend. There will be a maximum of 20 persons per session. Interested organisations should inform WFP as soon as possible.
   • Over the past week, many trucks have been seen crossing into Tunisia for supplies, including fuel and grain. WFP will formalize its presence at the border to monitor supply chain movements. A request was also made to find out more about the re-stocking of medical supplies following reports of shortages inside Libya.
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6. Mapping

- WFP has made maps available on the North Africa Crisis. They can be downloaded at: [http://www.logcluster.org/ops/northafrica](http://www.logcluster.org/ops/northafrica).
- A WFP GIS Officer is liaising with OCHA on map production in Cairo.
- Specific maps may be produced on request.
- Additional maps can be found at: [http://libya.humanitarianresponse.info](http://libya.humanitarianresponse.info).

7. Meeting Schedule

- Logistics coordination meetings are held every Wednesday at 20:00. From now on they will take place at the Odyssey Hotel in Zarzis.
- Next meeting: Zarzis, Wednesday 13 April 2011, 20:00 hrs

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