LOCATION: Erbil, Iraq
DATE: 6 March 2018
CHAIR: Logistics Cluster Coordinator

PARTICIPANTS: ACTED, Blumont, COOPI, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), French Red Cross (FRC), Human Appeal, International Medical Corps (IMC), Malteser International, Medair, Mine Action Group (MAG), Mission East, RNVDO, Tearfund, Triangle GH, UNICEF, WHO.

ACTION POINTS:
- Organisations that could potentially act as a consignee (registered in Baghdad) are encouraged to get in touch with the Logistics Cluster.
- The Logistics Cluster will look into identifying vacant space for erecting MSUs in Mosul.
- The Logistics Cluster to advocate for faster bridge rehabilitation in key areas, particularly those surrounding Mosul.
- Organisations with reliable contacts for vehicle contractors in west Mosul to get in touch with the Logistics Cluster.
- Organisations interested in procurement and logistics training are requested to get in touch with the Logistics Cluster for the details.
- The Logistics Cluster to revive the Master Supplier List and work to make it more reliable and verifiable.

AGENDA:
1. Humanitarian and operational updates
2. Logistics constraints/bottlenecks
3. Logistics Cluster updates and common services
4. AOB
5. Procurement open platform

1. Humanitarian and Operational Updates
   - The suspension of international flights to the KRI airports has been extended until 31 May.
   - While there are returns taking place, those who were in out-of-camp locations are moving into the newly opened spaces in camps, and there is a high rate of re-displacement as people are finding their areas of origin un-inhabitable and/or with a complete lack of services. Therefore, camp population is not decreasing as much as expected and the demand for in-camp services remains high.

2. Logistics Constraints/Bottlenecks

Access
   - The PKK route from Erbil to Makhmour has been assessed and cleared by UNDSS. The Logistics Cluster is expecting to have the exact coordinates soon and will share them through the interactive access map.
   - The direct route through Makhmour has been opened on the Kurdish side, but not yet on the Iraqi side. Any verified information will be shared through the skype group.
   - The Debaga-Dibis route to Kirkuk is accessible using a JCC letter, providing that the route is specified. There have been some reports of NGOs being stopped while using the Taq Taq route, so this not recommended for now. The direct route through Altun Kupri remains inaccessible.

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• The Fishkhabor border crossing with Syria will be closed on Thursday, 8 March. It will begin operating again normally on Saturday, 10 March.

• For comments or updates to the interactive online access map, send inputs to georgia.farley@wfp.org

Importations to Baghdad

• Difficulties continue regarding importation of humanitarian cargo into Baghdad. One organisation has a large consignment of medical items held at the airport, with the expiration dates quickly approaching. Any organisation (registered in Baghdad) that could potentially act as a consignee is encouraged to get in touch with the Logistics Cluster.

• The Logistics Cluster has finished the recruitment of the Customs Officer for the Baghdad importation project; he should arrive in Baghdad on 10 March. He will begin reaching out to individual organisations to ascertain their current challenges in regards to humanitarian imports.

3. Logistics Cluster Updates and Common Services

• Between 17 October 2016 and 05 February 2018, a total of 92,126 m³ of humanitarian cargo, equivalent to 25,255 mt, has been received for storage, and 7,336 m³ (1,692 mt) transported on behalf of 48 humanitarian organisations across the different Logistics Cluster hubs.

• The Logistics Cluster is today conducting a warehouse availability assessment in east Mosul, to better ascertain what is available, what is still needed and to check the feasibility of using MSUs to extend organisations’ current capacities.

• One organisation has warehouses in west Mosul but noted that the quality is not high, there is a lack of available space to erect additional MSUs, and that any activity would require intensive clearing of explosive hazards.

• Another organisation is looking to scale up in Mosul; it was suggested that another assessment to identify possible vacant lots for MSU erection would be valuable. The Logistics Cluster will look into this and revert back to partners.

• The cluster has also reached out to partners regarding their current warehousing capacity. This information is being used to update the Humanitarian Community Storage Capacity by Partner map; which in turn encourages cooperation and asset sharing, as well as helping to inform decisions regarding Cluster service provision. Kindly note that this map is not shared publically; it is only for the internal use of the Logistics Cluster and its partners.

• Last week, the Logistics Cluster participated in the Ninewa ICCG meeting held in Mosul. An overall message from the organisations present was that the Clusters are not present in Mosul itself, despite large and complex needs. If any organisation requires support in regards to logistics, they are encouraged to get in touch with Cameron.kiss@wfp.org

• The Logistics Cluster has dispatched plastic pallets to an organisation operating in Kirkuk. Partners are reminded that the cluster has mobile storage units in stock in Erbil, Baghdad and Dahuk. These are available

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for loan, at no cost to the user, for any organisation requiring further storage capacity. The cluster will provide the transportation, erection and disassembly of the MSU, the organisation just needs to prepare the land.

**Trainings**

- The Logistics Cluster is organising two comprehensive logistics trainings for May and June 2018.
  - The national Logistics Response Team (LRT) training will be an intensive five-day simulation training held in Erbil, where participants are required to set up an inter-agency logistics response.
  - The Emergency Logistics Induction Training will follow the national LRT. The training will be held in Baghdad four days of mostly theory-based sessions to outlines common bottlenecks, best practices, operational planning and warehousing in emergency humanitarian contexts.
- Both trainings will include operational decision makers from the government, NGOs and UN agencies operating in Iraq and across the region. These trainings are aimed at capacity building government and developing links between government and humanitarian agencies.
- Invitations have been sent to the global partner list and to the country directors of many national NGOs operating in Iraq.

**Common Storage**

- From 1 January 2018, common storage totals to 17,160 m² across six locations:
  - Baghdad: 2,000 m²
  - Dahuk: 2,760 m²
  - Erbil: 5,400 m²
  - Hamam al ‘Alil (MODM): 1,040 m²
  - Hamam al ‘Alil (UNHCR): 2,080 m²
  - Tikrit: 3,400 m²

**4. AOB**

- One organisation requested the Logistics Cluster to strongly advocate for swift rehabilitation of bridges with relevant agencies and decision making bodies, as this is one of the major challenges for accessing and supplying key areas, particularly around Mosul/the Mosul corridor. The cluster will continue to work on this, and any information or insights into key bridges can be addressed to Cameron.kiss@wfp.org
- One organisation requested contact details on reliable vehicle and driver contractors operating in west Mosul. Those with information are requested to contact the Logistics Cluster.
The Emergency Logistics Team is conducting a five-day Introductory Certificate in Procurement and Logistics training at the end of March. The Logistics Cluster will share the contact details along with the minutes.

One organisation suggested to revive the Logistics Cluster Master Supplier List, and asked how NGOs can best provide information to this list. The cluster team will work on the list to make it more verifiable and will focus on newly-retaken areas. The team will provide an update at the next coordination meeting.

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