LOCATION: Erbil, Iraq
DATE: 13 Sept 2018
CHAIR: Logistics Cluster
PARTICIPANTS: ACTED; French Red Cross (FRC); Human Appeal; ICRC; International Medical Corps (IMC); Intersos; Iraqi Institution for Development (IID); Médecins Sans Frontières; Médecins Sans Frontières Netherlands (MSF-H); Mission East; Tearfund; Terre des Hommes (TDH); United Iraqi Medical Society (UIMS); UNICEF.

ACTION POINTS:
- Logistics Cluster to enquire about, and provide updates on, government process of supplier registration in Mosul.
- Logistics Cluster to follow up with the required government entities for any updates on import processes through Umm Qasr port.

AGENDA:
1. Previous action points
2. Customs/Import
3. Humanitarian and operational updates
4. Humanitarian Needs Overview – partners’ feedbacks on 2019 logistics priorities
5. Access updates
6. Logistics Cluster updates and common services
7. AOB

1. Previous action points
   - Logistics Cluster to make enquiries on the procedures for importing armoured vehicles via Mersin port, Turkey, to Iraq.
     - Information on the procedures was shared with partners.
     - If you wish to receive the information, please contact Logistics Cluster focal points: Farhus Rasul (Farhad.Rasul@wfp.org) or Khalid Arabi (Khalid.Arab@wfp.org).
   - Logistics Cluster to circulate the results of a market surveys conducted in Mosul by some NGOs:
     - The surveys have not yet concluded.
     - Logistics Cluster to share survey results once received.

2. Customs/Import
   - One Stop Shop (OSS): The Joint Crisis Coordination Center (JCC) have agreed to extend the OSS until end of March 2019. There is potential that the project will be integrated into the regular government system in the future. For the coming months, the project will continue to run and support humanitarians with the importation clearance processes.

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3. Humanitarian and operational updates

- On 6 August an inter-agency mission visited villages located along the Syrian border, in Sinuni sub-district. Meeting participants were provided with an update on the mission and findings.

4. Humanitarian Needs Overview – partners’ feedbacks on 2019 logistics priorities

- Discussion on logistics issues and constraints that may affect Iraq during 2019. It was agreed that the need for common services has decreased, whereas information management, coordination activities and links with government will still be needed in 2019.
- Feedback received on the Iraq market capacity. In general, market capacity in-country has greatly improved over the past year, decreasing the need for large-scale import of humanitarian goods. However, some development is still required for local markets in Mosul.
- Most organisations are conducting and sharing market assessments, and local procurement systems. It was advised that partners should consider using and developing local markets within their projects (i.e. more time and effort required for local procurement).
- As mentioned in previous meetings, Logistics Cluster can share market assessments conducted by partners. One partner has conducted a market assessment for medical supplies. Logistics Cluster to share results once the assessment has been received.
- One partner raised concerns on the length of time taken for government registration of suppliers in Mosul and asked if the Logistics Cluster was able to assist in strengthening the process. The Logistics Cluster reiterated that it could enquire and provide updates on the process, but cannot influence overall procedure.
- Several partners noted that bureaucratic challenges are ongoing with JCMC letter process.
- One partner noted that they intend to import humanitarian cargo through Umm Qasr in the near future. Partners had not been using the entry point due to previous delays. ICRC is currently using it; partners are interested on ICRC feedback on the process.

5. Access updates

- The road between Kirkuk and Erbil (the primary route between Erbil and Kirkuk provinces) reopened on 19 August. Cargo vehicles have been authorised to use the road since 25 August according to JCC. Cargo capacity of the bridge (Altun Kupri) is 64 MT and is open 24/7. The Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) started renovation of the bridge, which was destroyed in October last year. Reconstruction is expected to take eight months.
- The KRG will construct the two-sided road between Said Sadiq and Kalar (Sulaymaniyah).
- Authorities in Baghdad confirmed to have started the process of opening two new border entry points with Turkey. In September 2018, delegations from both sides will meet to discuss the exact locations of border crossing points, mechanism and implanting procedures.
- Umm Qasr Northern Port has been reopened after having been closed last week due to the ongoing situation in Basra. Monitoring of the situation is ongoing and latest information will be shared with partners.
- The main road of Khanky camp in Dohuk has been completed.
• Siri Zari entry point is only for passengers. Exact location is 37°14'25.0"N 43°30'48.0"E.

• The interactive constraints map remains available and is been updated. You can access the link [here](http://www.logcluster.org/ops/irq14a). Any access updates can be shared with with Gabriela (gabriela.espana@wfp.org).

• For access issues please contact OCHA CIMCOORD Access duty phone: 07511352884, who can provide 24-hour assistance (ie: check points and any access questions).

### 6. Logistics Cluster updates and common services

- Currently six common storage warehouses. Changes in capacity have been updated on the newly published [Concept of Operations map](http://www.logcluster.org/ops/irq14a), available on the Logistics Cluster website.

  - **Common storage totals 11,620 m² across six locations:**
    - Baghdad: 1,000 m²
    - Dahuk: 1,400 m²
    - Erbil: 2,700 m²
    - Hamam al ‘All (MODM): 1,040 m²
    - Hamam al ‘All (UNHCR): 2,080 m²
    - Tikrit: 3,400 m²

- **Storage:** Partners are reminded that the cluster has Mobile Storage Units (MUSs) in stock in Erbil, Baghdad and Dahuk, available 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.

- As the Logistics Cluster is exiting next year, all MSUs available can be donated if needed. The Logistics Cluster can also help moving them to another location if partners need it.

- **Training:** The Logistics Cluster will be holding the Logistics Response Training (LRT) in Erbil from 11-16 November. Invitations for nominations were sent to all partners both globally and locally. The training is aimed at developing management-level supply chain/logistics staff.

- Partners willing to share their upcoming trainings are welcome to share the information on the skype group.

- Any requests for information can be sent to [gabriela.espana@wfp.org](mailto:gabriela.espana@wfp.org)

### 7. AOB

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