LOCATION: NGO Coordination Committee for Iraq (NCCI) Compound, Erbil, Iraq
DATE: 25 November 2014
CHAIR: Logistics Cluster Coordinator
PARTICIPANTS: IOM, WFP, WHO
ACTION POINTS:
- Participants to share input in order to update the Access Constraints Map, published on the Logistics Cluster Iraq operation page on 9 October.
- Logistics Cluster to establish information exchange group.

AGENDA:
1. General Update
2. Warehouse Status
3. Winterisation Update
4. Logistics Cluster Service Provision and Planning for 2015
5. A.O.B.

1. General Update
- The Logistics Cluster Coordinator advised that UNHCR has seven airlifts coming to Erbil from Lahore in the coming two weeks. Two have already arrived and have been cleared. UN agencies were reminded to provide prior notification to the Logistics Cluster, as the Logistics Cluster has been tasked by the Security Management Team (SMT) to provide a certificate of validation when UN relief items arrive at Erbil International Airport (EIA).
- Participants were informed that WHO has rented a Ministry of Health (MoH) managed warehouse on Kirkuk Road near the Parliament.

2. Warehouse Status
- Temporary storage is available in Batel at a warehouse of 1,200m² (with 640m² additional capacity adjacent from two Mobile Storage Units). Batel is located in the Dahuk region, approximately 40km out of Dahuk on Zakho road. A UNICEF consignment of over 1,000mt of clothing kits (equivalent to 25 x 40 TEUs palletized) is currently stored there by the Logistics Cluster. The dispatch is planned to various locations across Iraq during the week of 1 December. One other organisation has approximately 26m³ (7mt) in the Dahuk warehouse, with plans to move it back to Erbil.
- Emergency storage in Erbil includes a warehouse with 450m² for emergency support. The Logistics Cluster Coordinator reported that the Erbil warehouse was currently empty.
• All requests for storage need to be submitted to the Logistics Cluster on the Service Request Form (SRF) (http://www.logcluster.org/document/service-request-form-6) and must be submitted via email to Iraq.Cargo@logcluster.org for review. Any requests which are not sent using the SRF will be rejected.

• The Logistics Cluster Coordinator reported that UNFPA had identified a cold storage facility in a warehouse compound in Erbil. The facility has cooling units approximately the size of a twenty foot container (TEU) and pricing per cubic metre depends on choice of frozen or chilled storage (approximately US$10 per m³ and details will be provided upon request).

3. Winterisation Update

• Discussions about the possibility of airlift for Non Food Items (NFIs) winterisation cargo are on-going. The Logistics Cluster coordinator explained that should such airlifts be requested by organisations, the Logistics Cluster has budgeted for three airlifts, and is in discussions with IOM and WHO to plan airlifts for December (One from Amman to Erbil, one from UNHRD Dubai to Erbil).

• The Government of Iraq has dispatched 3,300,000 litres of kerosene to be distributed for heating and cooking to Internally Displaced People (IDPs) in the Kurdistan region (OCHA).

4. Logistics Cluster Service Provision and Planning for 2015

• Planning for 2015 includes a continuation of current services: storage, emergency transport, information management, coordination, mapping (access constraints map/warehouse capacity map), and planning for a range of contingency options for emergency support.

5. A. O. B.

• One participant provided information on their storage sharing arrangement with the line ministry in Erbil.

• An online discussion group has been suggested as a platform for sharing logistics information between participants in order to establish a mechanism to share supplier information and other operational materials.

• Some participants expressed concerns about the additional paperwork at the airport, especially for medical and paramedical supplies. The Logistics Cluster Coordinator suggested that each organisation have a local logistics clearing agent to handle the clearance and handling process at the airport; details can be requested from the Logistics Cluster Coordinator. For UN agencies, the Logistics Cluster can provide a certificate of validation to facilitate the release of cargo through airport customs and security.
The next meeting is planned to take place on 9 December 2014 at 11:00 at a venue to be confirmed via email in the coming weeks.

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