LOCATION: National Ebola Command Centre (NECC), Monrovia, Liberia

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CHAIR: Logistics Cluster Coordinator

PARTICIPANTS: Concern Worldwide, Last Mile Health, RCO Mentor, UNMIL, UNICEF, WHO, IMC, ARC, USAID, MSF France, Global Communities, JSI/ IPC, ACF, Save the Children, ADRA Liberia, WFP, UNDP, ICRC, IFRC

ACTION POINTS:
- Attendees to use the new integrated flight schedule for domestic and international flights
- Attendees to follow up with transfer letter of ownership regarding the Maersk container donation
- The Logistics Cluster to follow up with any updates on incoming donations
- Attendees to move cargo to the five Forward Logistics Bases (FLBs) where practical

AGENDA:
1. Overview of Logistics Cluster Services
2. Logistics Cluster Response Structure
3. Donations
4. Cargo Tracking Data Analysis
5. Air Operations
6. A.O.B.

1. Overview of Logistics Cluster Services

- The Logistics Cluster services currently available to the humanitarian community in Liberia were highlighted to include the following: Information management and coordination, storage services and cargo movement by sea, road and air.

- The Government of Liberia and the Logistics Cluster are working together to revise the current Logistics Cluster support to customs procedures.

2. Logistics Cluster Response Structure

- Partners were reminded of the Logistics Cluster Response Structure by the Logistics Cluster Coordinator; the Logistics Cluster is supporting the Ebola Treatment Units (ETUs), the Community Care Centres (CCCs) and the Rapid Isolation and Treatment of Ebola (RITE) missions.

- The Logistics Cluster is also supporting the Government of Liberia in the resupply of the national health care facilities. In addition to the five Forward Logistics Bases (FLBs), nine Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) are being erected in nine counties where no FLB exists, in order to preposition supplies for last mile distribution. Out of the nine MSUs, six have been erected and three are currently under construction. The MSUs are located in the following counties (one MSU per county): Grand Cape Mount, Gbarpolu, Bomi, Margibi, Rivercess, Sinoe, Nimba, Grand Kru, and River Gee.

- The Logistics Cluster is currently supporting UNICEF with the distribution of WASH kits for the safe re-opening of schools. The distribution began on 7 February and is expected to end by 15 February. UNMEER and UNHAS assets are being utilized for the distribution, completing up to four rotations per day. There are currently four counties left to be supplied.
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• UNICEF stated that they received 2,000 back sprayers from WHO for their back-to-school distribution plan.

• Attendees were advised on the processes of accessing Logistics Cluster services based on different needs; the process of how to access services was defined for organisations requiring transport of their own cargo by the Logistics Cluster, for organisations requesting the release cargo from other organisations and for organisations both requesting the release of cargo from other organisations’ and have it transported by the Logistics Cluster.

3. Donations

• Attendees were reminded that the generators donated by the Swiss government will arrive in Monrovia at the end of March.

• The dispatch of the Maersk containers has been completed; attendees were informed that the transfer letters of ownership are ready to be signed for this donation to be completed.

4. Cargo Tracking Data Analysis

• The Logistics Cluster Coordinator shared consolidated cargo tracking data. This analysis included the number of Service Request Forms (SRFs) received since the beginning of the operation in 2014, and the figures were shown by month. The data showed that a peak was reached in January, with a total of 228 SRFs received. Total volume of cargo transported was also illustrated in cubic meters and its equivalent in Twenty Foot Containers (TEU). Dispatches by category (Ebola Treatment vs. Ebola support equipment), dispatches by type (PPE vs. WASH/SHELTER/MEDECINE) and the status of the storage spaces facilitated by the Logistics Cluster were presented as well.

5. Air Operations

• The final fully funded flight organised by the Logistics Cluster arrived on 10 February and carried 88 MT of cargo. Out of the total cargo, 102m³ or 32.5 MT was destined for Liberia. Consignees for Liberia were: ICRC, St Joseph’s Hospital in Monrovia, WHO, UNMEER, Samaritan’s Purse, Americares, and MedShare. Cargo included face shields, personal Protection Equipment (PPE), examination gloves, suits, IT equipment, Caravan Propeller with associated parts, hospital supplies, an autoclave with accessories and spare parts.

• A new integrated regional flight schedule has been effective as of 9 February and can be found on the Logistics Cluster website: http://www.logcluster.org/document/regional-flight-schedule-unhas-unmil-unmeer. The flight schedule covers domestic and regional flights. Any questions should be directed to UNHAS via the email address UNHAS.WAC@wfp.org.

• For any cargo movement requests by air, attendees were advised to follow the same process as road movement and send filled SRFs to liberia.cargo@logcluster.org.

6. A.O.B.
An update on the Ebola outbreak was shared by UNMIL; there have been three confirmed Ebola cases since 7 February. All cases are currently situated in Montserrado County. The areas within this county that are being monitored are the St. Paul Bridge area, Paynsville, and the SDA Cooper Hospital.

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