LOCATION: National Ebola Command Centre (NECC), Monrovia

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CHAIR: Logistics Cluster Coordinator

PARTICIPANTS: Academic Consortium Combating Ebola in Liberia (ACCEL), Action Contre La Faim (ACF), American Refugee Committee (ARC) International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), International Medical Corps (IMC), United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS), Last Mile Health (LMH), Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), Oxfam, Save the Children (STC), World Health Organization (WHO), Medecins Sans Frontieres France (MSF F), International Organization for Migration (IOM), Global Communities, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

ACTION POINTS: • Organisations requested to clear their items from the bonded warehouse at the Roberts International Airport (RIA) and to take ownership of the unassigned items.

AGENDA: 1. Procedural Updates
2. Announcements
3. Update on Action Points
4. Open Floor Discussion
5. Any Other Business (A.O.B.)

1. Procedural Updates
• The Logistics Cluster’s Coordinator informed organisations that all Logistics Cluster services, updates, key documents and procedures can be found on the Logistics Cluster website at http://www.logcluster.org/ops/ebola14

2. Announcements
• OCHA provided an update on the recent outbreak and assistance efforts in Margibi and Monsterrado.
• The Logistics Cluster reminded organisations to follow the customs clearance procedure for incoming humanitarian and medical cargo into Liberia. Organisations that import cargo are requested to clear their cargo through the available commercial clearing agents as provided by Incident Management System (IMS) clearance. A Snapshot of the procedure can be found at the link below.


3. Update on Action Points
• No action points to follow-up.

4. Open Floor Discussion

Topic 1: Unassigned Items at the bonded warehouse at the RIA
• The Logistics Cluster reminded, that items, that have been stored at the Roberts International Airport (RIA) bonded warehouse since December 2014 need to be cleared.
• The Logistics Cluster reminded, that if organisations do not clear their items until the next Logistics Cluster’s meeting, scheduled for Thursday 13 August, and do not come forward to take ownership of the unassigned items at the bonded warehouse, the custom authority will be requested to remove them from the warehouse.

Topic 2: Logistics Cluster and Partners activities in Liberia in next coming months
• The Logistic Cluster shared, that from late-August, it is foreseen that a revision of the existing Logistics Capacity Assessments (LCA) for the three Ebola affected countries will take place. Organisations are invited to share suggestions on the content. The LCAs can be found at http://www.logcluster.org/ops/ebola14.
Topic 3: Roundtable
• A round table discussion was held and organisations shared plans, priorities and challenges for the upcoming months. Some organisations expressed a willingness to handover remaining items/supplies to other organisations or the Ministry of Health as they will be scaling down their operations. Other organisations remain engaged and are interested in staff capacity building.

Topic 4: Transition Phase
• Organisations were reminded that due to a recent reduction of operational demands and logistics constraints the Logistics Cluster, through WFP, will phase out its role as “provider of last resort” for storage and transport services by the end of August 2015.
• It was advised that SRFs are assessed before they are cleared to ensure all requests are Ebola related.
• In line with the plans for a gradual reduction of logistics services, provided by WFP, organisations were encouraged to accelerate their stock clearance from the Main Logistics Base and Forward Logistics Base network currently being managed by WFP Common Services and to organise their own logistics arrangements. Personal Protective Equipment and Infection Protection and Control (PPE/IPC) kits are to be considered as an exception due to the pre-agreed plans with WHO/Ministry of Health (MoH).

Topic 5: UNHAS Integrated Flight Schedule
• UNHAS shared information about changes of the UNHAS Integrated Flight Schedule. Further information and updates will be published on the Logistics Cluster website at http://www.logcluster.org/ops/ebola14

5. Any Other Business (A.O.B.)
• Nothing significant to report.

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