
Meeting Minutes, 3 April 2019

Libya



LOCATION	Tripoli and teleconference with Tunis and Misrata
DATE	3 April 2019
CHAIR	Logistics Sector
PARTICIPANTS	ACTED, Halo, Handicap International, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), WFP
ACTION POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Logistics Sector to re-circulate information on import procedures and assessments conducted so far.• Organisations to share with the Logistics Sector info on specific documents requested for import through Benghazi.• Logistics Sector to share further information regarding a Mobile Storage Unit (MSU) set up training in Tripoli.
AGENDA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Logistics Sector Updates2. Import Procedures3. UNHAS4. AOB

1. Logistics Sector Updates

- The possible increase in need for humanitarian assistance in Sirte was discussed. For contingency planning, the Logistics Sector is looking into the option of positioning two 20ft containers at International Rescue Committee (IRC) 's premises in Sirte, that could be used for emergency storage. No access constraints have been reported to reach Sirte by road for the time being.
- There is currently no common storage facility in Benghazi. Humanitarian organisations who are in need for warehouses in Benghazi can contact the Logistics Sector that will assist in providing information about available options.
- Participants confirmed that cargo can be transported by road between Tripoli and Benghazi using commercial companies. The transporter will need to be provided with a letter, in Arabic, detailing the humanitarian organisation owning the cargo, it's government registration number, an explanation of the intended use of the humanitarian cargo, and a copy of the approved custom clearance documentation (if applicable). Partners recently confirmed that they were able to send cargo through this procedure and that the estimated travel time between Tripoli and Benghazi is roughly two days.
- A common storage facility in Tripoli has been secured and is expected to be operational soon.

2. Import Procedures

- Some organisations continue to experience issues with custom clearance, especially for sensitive items, such as demining cargo, despite following regular procedures.
- The Logistics Sector attended a meeting with Inter-Sector Coordination Group and the Government on 2 April. The need for enhanced clarity on custom clearance procedures was raised and will be addressed in future meetings.
- Participants raised questions about applicable import procedures, and whether specific procedures apply in Benghazi. Organisations already operating in Benghazi are invited to share information with the Logistics Sector should they have encountered special request when importing items through Benghazi.

3. UNHAS

- The current UNHAS schedule includes regular flights to Tripoli/Mitiga airport as well as Misrata and Benghazi. The most up-to-date schedule can be found [here](#).
- UNHAS informed that all UNHAS passengers, regardless of their passport type, will be using the VIP terminal in Tripoli.
- UNHAS will continue operations until the end of April and is currently working on securing funding to maintain operations over the upcoming months.

4. AOB

- Suppliers lists are available upon request.
- Partners are reminded that if they have staff willing to become focal point for the OCHA-organised area-based coordination cells in Benghazi and Sebha, they can inform the Logistics Sector.
- The Logistics Sector plans to organise a Mobile Storage Unit (MSU) set up training that will take place in Tripoli towards the end of April. More information will be shared through the mailing list when available.
- Organisations were reminded that four MSUs are currently available in country and can be utilised on organisation's premises upon request to address urgent needs for emergency storage.

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