
LOCATION	Tunis
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CHAIR	Logistics Sector
PARTICIPANTS	ACTED, ICRC, IOM, Mercy Corps, Premiere Urgence Internationale, UNFPA, WFP,
ACTION POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Partners to inform the Logistics Sector if they experience delays or issues at entry points.• Logistics Sector to raise awareness on its role and on existing tools and logistics IM products.
AGENDA	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Logistics bottlenecks faced during the ongoing response2. Import procedures3. Access Working Group4. UNHAS5. AOB

1. Logistics bottlenecks faced during the ongoing response

Situation Update

- Fighting around Tripoli has been ongoing since the beginning of April and the security situation remains volatile.
- Partners raised the need to have clarity on required documentation to be carried by drivers when transporting humanitarian cargo, especially when crossing areas under the control of different authorities.
- It was noted that feedback received from partners who successfully deliver items by road to different areas of the country is extremely useful however, clear procedures issued by authorities would ensure a higher degree of predictability and avoid instances where trucks carrying humanitarian cargo are denied passage due to lack of documentation.
- No specific fuel issues were reported for Tripoli and Benghazi. Fuel prices in the south continue to remain considerably higher compared to the rest of the country due to the difficulties in supplying fuel in the south.

Storage

- In line with feedback received at previous meetings, bilateral discussions, as well as through the survey, the facilitation of common storage in Tripoli will be discontinued after 30 June.

Transport

- Tripoli, Misrata, Benghazi and Tobruk ports are open and operational.
- While road transport companies continue to deliver humanitarian cargo across the country, several partners confirmed transporters are raising rates due to increased insecurity. While this was reported from only one partner at the May meeting, the majority of partners now appear to be impacted.

2. Import procedures

- Partners recently received cargo in Misrata and Benghazi without significant issues, while delays are still experienced with lengthy clearance processes for health items at Tripoli port taking up to a month.
- One partner reported that health and food items received in Benghazi requiring testing and sampling may now be analysed in Benghazi, rather than in Tripoli. Further information will be shared with partners if confirmation is received that the clearing process is modified.

3. Access

- Since the onset of the current clashes in April, sporadic instances were reported of trucks carrying humanitarian cargo having access denied or delayed for up to a couple of days in the Az-Zawya and Gharyan areas around Tripoli as well as in Tarhunah, south-east of Tripoli.
- Recently, no major external institutional constraints on traffic rules were reported when moving humanitarian supplies by road from Tripoli to Benghazi, as well as from Tripoli to Ghat in the south of the country. Security-related challenges faced were also discussed during the meeting.
- The Access Working Group (AWG) representative reiterated that the group, co-chaired by Mercy Corps and OCHA, is collecting information on any kind of access constraints from partners with the goal of commonly addressing identified challenges. The most recent AWG meeting was held on 17 June. Interested organisations are welcome to attend future meetings, which take place on twice-monthly basis.

4. UNHAS

- UNHAS Libya will resume its service. The aircraft is expected to be positioned in Tunis by 20 June, and flights are expected to resume over the fourth week of June.
- The same aircraft and operator will be used. Should the service need to be expanded in the future, UNHAS will explore options to upgrade the aircraft.
- An official email will be sent by the end of this week to inform all parties about the service resumption. A tentative flight schedule will be shared at the following [link](#) as per normal procedure and flight bookings can be done through this [link](#)
- Destinations will be Mitiga, Benghazi and Misrata, with the intention to expand the service to the south if users express the need.
- Zwara will be used only as a refuelling point. Passengers from/to Zwara will not be accepted.
- Only NGO passengers are currently allowed to travel from/to Mitiga until further notice.
- UNHAS invites users to make sure UNHAS registration is up to date and ensure any updated forms are sent back duly signed and stamped.

5. AOB

- The results of the survey that was closed on 15 June were presented. The sector will work on the main areas of improvement identified. This included increasing coordination mechanisms and collaboration amongst stakeholders, the need to raise awareness on the role of the Logistics Sector overall as well as on tools available, such as the [Logistics Capacity Assessments \(LCA\)](#) and the dedicated [webpage](#) where assessments and guidance are available for partners.
- A positive increase in the collaboration among partners over the past few months was confirmed by participants; organisations continue to actively use the Libya Logistics Skype Group, share best practices and create and foster synergies among each other. Other useful suggestions included the need to be less Tripoli-focused and to increase the sector's presence in country.
- A revision of the 2019 Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) has been agreed at inter-sector level in order to allow for the April 2019 Flash Appeal to be incorporated in the HRP plan. It was agreed with partners that the only change to the Logistics Sector's narrative will be the part regarding storage, that will now focus on the monitoring of the need to facilitate common services where gaps in capacity exist in the local market.

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