

LOCATION: WFP Office Manila

DATE: 08 January 2014

CHAIR: Logistics Cluster Coordinator

PARTICIPANTS: IEDA, FAO, UPS, Maersk, UNFPA

ACTION POINTS: • Participants requested update on customs clearance procedures and availability of the one-stop-shop.

AGENDA: Situation Update

Update on Logistics Cluster's services

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SITUATION UPDATE

Coordination

- Philippines Logistics Cluster Coordinator, Mr. John Myraunet, will be ending his mission on Monday 12 January. Ms. Maïlin Fauchon will be taking over his role as Cluster Coordinator.
- Logistics Cluster meetings are regularly held in Tacloban, Guiuan, Omroc, Cebu, Roxas and on ad-hoc basis in Manila.
- As the operations are scaling down in most of the locations, the Logistics Cluster staffing structure has been reviewed; all functions are being covered either with fully dedicated staff or roaming officers

Information Management/GIS

- Dedicated IM officers based in Cebu and Tacloban as well as GIS capacity in Cebu. GIS products can be made available upon request.

Border Crossings & Customs

- The normal custom procedures must now be followed for the import of all cargo.
- Reported unavailability of some Ministry delegated signatories at the one-stop-shop for customs clearance (Manila, Cebu, Davao) creating delays. LET partners will investigate and revert with more information customs procedures and report through the Logistics Cluster.

Assessments

- Assessments are being carried out where necessary as reported by the Partners or upon specific request to determine the extent of the damage caused and its implication on the movement of relief cargo. Information is shared through the update of the access constraints map available on the Cluster website.

Capacity Building

- In partnership with the Logistics Emergency Team (LET), the Logistics Cluster is providing technical expertise on warehousing, handling equipment, and Health & Safety trainings to government and WFP staff. Two additional sessions are planned on 13 and 14 January in Tacloban for NGO national staff.

Civ/Military

- Military operations are phasing down substantially. Specific requests for military assets and services may still be routed through the Logistics Cluster to OCHA/OCD.
- Republic of Korea Military Engineering contingent is expected to support efforts with engineering equipment and

technical engineering capacity. They will operate in Tolosa, Palo and Tanuan, with an operation centre in Cebu.

Air Transport

- UNHAS now operates two flights a day between Cebu and Tacloban (morning and afternoon) except on Sundays. In line with the decrease in demand, 3 flights will be operated a week (Monday Wednesday and Friday) between Cebu and Roxas and 3 flights a week (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday) between Cebu and Guiuan. UNHAS anticipates to close down its emergency air transport services by end of January 2014.
- Jared K'Omwono, Chief Air Transport Officer, UNHAS Philippines has been replaced by Mrs Sandra Legg, who is based in Cebu.
- For other information, please contact UNHAS by email at unhas.philippines@wfp.org.

Sea Transport

- The next rotation for the barge Victoria is planned for 12 January 2014. Details can be viewed at: <http://logcluster.org/ops/phl13a/tentative-schedule-for-interagency-cargo-transport-by-sea>
- Commercial capacity increasing for sea transport options to Iloilo, as well as from Cebu to Leyte and Samar through Isabel port.

Storage

- Temporary storage still available in key locations of Tacloban, Guiuan, Ormoc, Roxas and Cebu. Organizations are invited to anticipate to the Logistics Cluster any request for medium term storage due to the capacity in certain areas.
- WFP, as lead agency of the Logistics Cluster, is providing some 8,000 m2 of temporary storage space to humanitarian organizations in the key locations of Tacloban, Guiuan, Ormoc, Roxas and Cebu, with the capacity to scale-up rapidly if needed.

Overland transport

- 10 dedicated trucks are available for inter-agency cargo movement in Roxas.
- The British Red Cross also has dedicated fleet of trucks in Roxas which can be used by any organization subject to the availability and the request for use has to go through the Logistics Cluster.

Other Logistics Gaps or Bottlenecks

- Limited commercial road transport capacity is presenting some difficulties for partners in the Guiuan and Roxas.
- Commercial warehousing in general remains limited, however, Logistics Cluster storage is available in key locations.

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- The next Logistics Cluster Meeting in WFP Office in Manila should take place in two weeks. Exact date and time will be communicated at a later stage.

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