South Sudan – Meeting Minutes

LOCATION: Logistics Base, Bentiu
DATE: 1 December 2017
CHAIR: Logistics Cluster
PARTICIPANTS: UNHCR, Mercy Corps, HCR, WHO, World Relief, DRC, Concern Worldwide, WHH, IOM, Mentor Initiative, HRSS

ACTION POINTS:
• Organisations to ensure charter flights documentation is accurate.
• Organisations with fuel in the base are urged to remove this immediately.
• Organisations are requested to distribute stocks in preparation for the current pre-positioning over the dry season that is expected to commence in January.

AGENDA:
1. Operational update
2. Air operations update
3. Logistics base and common services (CTS and warehouse)
4. Roads update and convoy
5. AOB

1. Operational Update

• The Logistics Cluster in Bentiu continues to facilitate common storage and transport services to support the ongoing humanitarian response activities in Rubkona Protection of Civilians (POC) sites and the surrounding areas.
• The amount of available storage in the common MSU remains restricted, especially for items with no clear distribution plan.

2. Air Operations Update

• The Logistics Cluster supported humanitarian organisations operating in Bentiu with cargo reception of nine chartered flights in the past two weeks.
• Partners were reminded about the need to comply with the necessary documentation including the Flight Safety Assurances (FSA) and signed waybills by the local authorities (CID and NSS).
• The Logistics Cluster will discuss with OCHA the need to reaffirm with local authorities that soldiers cannot board humanitarian charter flights for a return trip to Juba.

3. Logistics Base and Common Services (CTS and Warehouse)

• Logistics Cluster supported 18 rotations using the Common Transport Service (CTS) trucks in the past two weeks.
• Partners were advised that no further CTS will be approved without the submission of the new SRF form which has been widely circulated.
• Storage capacity remains an urgent matter. Currently there is 10% of space available out of 1440m² in the LC managed warehouses. No new storage will be erected in the area and once the warehouses reach full capacity, no further storage service will be facilitated.
• Partners occupying large storage areas with low turnover were requested to submit their dispatch plans until 1 December (unless this is contingency stocks).
• For all services, partners were advised to ensure the accuracy of information on cargo weight and volume.
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- Four partners are still holding 541 litre of fuel in the base, although the deadline for consumption was 31 November. Bilateral discussions are ongoing in order to solve this issue immediately.

### 4. Roads Update and Convoy

- The road leading to Bentiu via Mayom is reported open for light vehicles, based on private cars information. The Bentiu-Pariang road is open, while other locations are all closed.
- Partners operating in the BBR locations below are requested to share roads updates with the cluster for consolidation:

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- Partners were reminded to start their preparation for the convoys. Only three organisations confirmed their visibility is in place and others were informed about the need to prepare it quickly.
- The most recent Access Constraints map can be found using the following link: [http://www.logcluster.org/map/south-sudan-access-constraints-map-24-november-2017](http://www.logcluster.org/map/south-sudan-access-constraints-map-24-november-2017)

### 5. AOB

- Partners were reminded to update their contact details before the next meeting.
- As per partner requests, the Logistics Cluster will organise a weights and measures training in the forthcoming weeks.

*The next Coordination Meeting is planned for 15 December in the meeting room at the Bentiu Logistics Base.*

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