**LOCATION:** Humanitarian Logistics Base  
**DATE:** 5 October 2018  
**CHAIR:** Logistics Cluster  

**PARTICIPANTS:** AMA, CARE, CORDAID, CWW, DRC-DDG, INTERNEWS, INTERSOS, IOM, IRC, Mentor Initiative, Mercy Corps, MSF, UNFPA, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNIDO, VSF-SUISSE, VISTAS/AECOM, WHH, WHO

**ACTION POINTS:**
- IOM to provide update on the final meeting held with the Community High Committee (CHC) aimed at resolving the impasses affecting accessibility of IOM Common Transport Services trucks to the Protection of Civilian (POC) sites.  
- Logistics Cluster to request for a truck either from WFP or other partners to support partners with transportation of disposable and unusable from the Logistics Base to the POC.  
- Organisations to share road access conditions to the Logistics Cluster.

**AGENDA:**

1. Operational Update
2. Access constraints

**1. Operational Update**

- Logistics Cluster Bentiu continues to facilitate logistics common storage and transport services for partner activities in Rubkona and POC sites.  
- The Logistics Cluster Bentiu has six Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) located in UNMIS at the Humanitarian Logistics Base available as common storage. There is a total of 1529 m² of storage capacity, with current available space of 120 m² indoors and 0 m² outdoor.  
- The Logistics Cluster operates four IOM Common Transport Services (CTS) trucks in Bentiu. CTS trucks have faced difficulties gaining access to POC sites for the past five months but have continued to access Rubkona, Bentiu and areas beyond Bentiu during this time. IOM will provide an update to partners on their meeting with the CHC to try to resolve these access issues.  
- Partners with disposable and unusable stocks at the outdoor storage have confirmed that they have completed segregating these stocks and that they are now ready for transportation from the Logistics Base to the POC sites. Organisations have asked the Logistics Cluster to look for a potential truck from WFP or another partner to deliver the items to the POC sectors due to CTS trucks still facing access issues.  
- Partners were reminded to ensure that approvals for cargo flights to Rubkona are obtained from authorities in both Juba and Bentiu, and that all air waybill copies are passed through security officers in Juba for stamping to avoid difficulties with Rubkona airstrip security.  
- The Logistics Cluster Bentiu has facilitated the receipt of 22 charter flights on behalf of partners operating in Bentiu during the past two weeks. The airstrip is currently accessible to all types of engines.  
- Recently some partner items have arrived into the Logistics Cluster stores/warehouses in poor condition from their points of origin which has made handling and allocation difficult. Partners are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure that items are well packaged to allow for easy handling and allocation. Poorly packaged items will not be accepted by the Logistics Cluster in the future.
2. Access Constraints

- The Bentiu to Koch road is currently only accessible to light vehicles due to rains.
- The Bentiu to Mayom road is closed due to rains.
- The Bentiu to Pariang road is closed due to rains.
- Leer is still not accessible by road due to rains.
- Bentiu to Ding Ding, Pakur and Dhorboor is accessible to all vehicles.
- The roads connecting Unity State with its counties are expected to reopen by the end of November. Partners are encouraged to use road transport rather than air transport once these roads reopen.
- As many of the roads from Bentiu to surrounding locations and beyond have become inaccessible due to heavy rainfall, the Logistics Cluster has asked partners to share road access information so that this can be consolidated and shared with partners.
- The latest access constraints map can be found at the following link: https://logcluster.org/map/south-sudan-access-constraints-map-5-october-2018

The next Logistics Cluster coordination meeting will be on Friday 19 October 2018 at 10:00 am at the Logistics Base conference room.

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