South Sudan – Meeting Minutes

LOCATION: WFP Conference Hall, Rumbek
DATE: 16 December 2015
CHAIR: Logistics Cluster Rumbek

PARTICIPANTS: International Organization for Migration (IOM), International Rescue Committee (IRC), Oxfam GB

ACTION POINTS:
- Logistics Cluster to liaise with UNHAS to include organisations on the UNHAS weather and security report.
- Logistics Cluster to follow up on including Rumbek organisations on UNHAS Skype contacts.

AGENDA:
1. Operational Update
2. Constraints Update
3. AOB

1. Operational Update

- Logistics Cluster Update:
  - Over 30 mt was received and airlifted from Rumbek in the last week. Organisations supported with Common Transport Services (CTS) included IOM, Polish Humanitarian Action and MSF-Holland.
  - The Logistics Cluster supported the high priority responses to Leer, Thonyor, Bauw, Adok, Loth and Ganyiel in Southern Unity state.
  - Three Mi8 helicopters currently based in Rumbek continue to transport cargo to different destinations.

- Organisations were reminded on the requirement to call the WFP UNHAS radio room to provide current updates on weather and security if second/third rotations are expected.

- Organisations were reminded to verify actual weights of cargo in respect to weights submitted in the Service Request Forms (SRFs), as discrepancies during dispatch continue to arise.

- Organisations were advised that cargo such as buckets should be repackaged in bundles together with lids to avoid sending only buckets without lids.

- The Logistics Cluster will follow up with UNHAS to include organisations on the UNHAS weather and field security report in the morning to improve any gaps in communication regarding field reporting of weather and security.

- Organisations were advised that crowd control in the field during landing/offloading of helicopters has improved.

2. Constraints Update

- Late receipt of weather and security reports from the field continues to be a constraint. Organisations are advised to remind their field staff of the importance of reporting at 7:30am and again if additional rotations are expected.

- This week technical problems and several days’ maintenance of the helicopters also constrained normal air operations.

- The most recent Access Constraints map can be found at the following link: http://www.logcluster.org/map/access-constraints-map-11-december-2015

3. AOB
The next coordination meetings are planned for 14 and 28 January 2016.

Organisations asked to be included in the UNHAS Skype contacts for improved communication. The Logistics Cluster will follow up on this.

The Logistics Cluster Rumbek plans to organize a basic warehouse training early 2016. Interested organisations should contact pamela.onyango@wfp.org for additional information.

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