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ACTION POINTS

• Organisations to submit their Service Request Forms (SRFs) for the upcoming March barge movement and to start moving their cargo to Bor.
• Organisations to send cargo transport requests as soon as possible.
• Organisations to notify the Logistics Cluster of interest in participating in upcoming convoys and begin clearance processes.
• Organisations to share information regarding physical access constraints with the Logistics Cluster.
• Organisations interested in participating in the 25 and 28 January Logistics Trainings to send their requests as soon as possible.

AGENDA

1. Air Operations Updates
2. Barge and Convoy Movements
3. Physical Access Constraints/Road Conditions
4. Ebola Virus Disease Preparedness Update
5. AOB/Action Points

1. Air Operations Updates

• Organisations were informed that the Logistics Cluster has three dedicated air assets: one Mi8 helicopter based in Rumbek, one Mi8 helicopter based in Bor, and a Buffalo fixed-wing aircraft based in Juba.
• The amount of cargo received is currently low due to the holiday season. Organisations are invited to send cargo requests.
• Organisations are encouraged to continue liaising with the Logistics Cluster if in doubt about where to pre-position cargo.
• Organisations were reminded that the Weekly Transport Plan is posted on the website and shared via the mailing list.
• Organisations were reminded to submit accurate weather and security reports to the UNHAS Radio Room by 7:30 on the morning of flights to avoid flight delays or cancellations and to strictly adhere to UNHAS Aviation Security Procedures.
• The priority locations for January decided by the Inter-Cluster Working Group are as follow:
  o Pibor area, Gumruk and Likuangole
  o Gogrial East, Gogrial West, Twic and Tonj North
• The priority locations for February onwards are as follows:
  o Koch, Leer, Mayendit Counties
  o Panyikang, Canal/Pigi, Fangak Counties
  o Kajo Keji

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2. Barge and Convoy Movements

- The first barge of the year departed Bor on Tuesday 15 January and is currently en route to Malakal.
- The second barge of the year will be departing early March. Organisations interested in participating should send their SRF to the Logistics Cluster and begin moving their cargo to Bor.
- The next Western Corridor and Kapoeta convoys are planned to depart on 25 January. Organisations should submit their request before Friday 18 January.
- An ad-hoc convoy to Pibor is planned for 6 February. Organisations interested in joining should send their requests as soon as possible.
- New convoy documents and common procedures were presented. Organisations were advised to follow the new guidelines for a general improvement of road access.
- The January-February convoy schedule is available here. Organisations are advised to express their interest and start clearance processes as soon as they can.

3. Physical Access Constraints/Road Conditions

- With the upcoming dry season, new roads are opening up for the transport of humanitarian cargo. Bor-Duk County is now accessible and as such, there will be no more flights to Mabior and Duk locations.
- WFP is currently assessing roads in Ayod County. The updates will be integrated into the Access Constraints Map and a potential convoy will be organised accordingly.
- Organisations are requested to share information on physical access constraints with the Logistics Cluster to help in the decision-making process and ensure the Access Constraints Map is up-to-date.
- The latest Access Constraints map is available at the following link: https://logcluster.org/map/south-sudan-access-constraints-map-11-january-2019

4. Ebola Virus Disease Preparedness Update

- There are currently no confirmed cases of Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) in South Sudan or Uganda, but preparedness efforts are underway. The Logistics Cluster continues to be a member of the National Task Force and is taking the lead of the Logistics Ebola Task Force along with WHO.
- 22 alerts have been registered in South Sudan and all have tested as negative to EVD. A Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) machine has arrived in-country and is being set up to test EVD strains in South Sudan.
- Isolation Units in the following three priority areas are near completion:
  - Nimule (managed by Cordaid)
  - Yei (managed by Action Africa Help)
  - Yambio (managed by World Vision)

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• A Common Emergency Relief Fund (CERF) for UNHAS support has been granted to support sample collection.

• The Logistics Cluster and WFP are currently working with UNHRD to procure four ambulances to support EVD preparedness activities.

• WFP, through the Logistics Cluster, is working with WHO to support kit preparation for the EVD vaccination programme.

• The Logistics Cluster has added a folder on its website with downloadable copies of flyers, community sensitisation products, and sample lists of preparedness items suggested for organisations to procure such as buckets, chlorine solution, nitrile gloves, etc. Organisations are invited to share those documents with their teams and entourage to ensure that everyone is properly informed. The documents can be accessed at the following link under the Ebola Virus Guidance box: https://logcluster.org/ops/ssd11a.

5. AOB/Action Points

• The Logistics Cluster will be organising two intermediary/advanced humanitarian logistics training on 25 and 28 January. Organisations are invited to send their requests for participation as soon as possible.

• Several organisations have been experiencing challenges with importing Non-Food Items at the Nimule border since the beginning of the year. All constraints should be reported to OCHA via accessreporting@un.org or access constraints can be submitted via the online form here.

• The Annual User Satisfaction Survey results have been analysed by the Logistics Cluster team. The Logistics Cluster Coordinator has prepared a document addressing the issues mentioned as well as the way forward for 2019. This document will be shared in the coming days.

The next coordination meeting is scheduled for 29 January 2019 at 12:00 at the OCHA main conference room.

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