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<b>DATE</b>	20 October 2020
<b>CHAIR</b>	Logistics Cluster
<b>PARTICIPANTS</b>	African Backing for Life Enhancing (ABLE), Child's Destiny And Development Organization (CHIDDO), Concern Worldwide, International NGO Safety Organisation (INSO), Medair, Médecins Sans Frontières Belgium, Médecins Sans Frontières Holland, Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF), Norwegian Church Aid (NCA), Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), Oxfam UK, Polish Humanitarian Action (PAH), Solidarités International, Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB), Welthungerhilfe (WHH)
<b>ACTION POINTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Organisations to carefully consult the <a href="#">UNHAS Operational Notice</a> and <a href="#">Airfield Focal Point instructions</a> to ensure mandatory procedures are strictly respected.</li><li>• Organisations to share any physical road accessibility updates for the Access Constraints Map with <a href="mailto:southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org">southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org</a>.</li><li>• Partners to ensure accuracy in their release forms when collecting items from Logistics Cluster common warehouses.</li><li>• Logistics Cluster to offer temporary river movement from Juba to Bor until the road becomes passable.</li></ul>
<b>AGENDA</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Air Operations Updates</li><li>2. Road Operations Updates</li><li>3. River Operations Updates</li><li>4. Logistics Cluster South Sudan prospects for 2021</li><li>5. AOB/Discussion</li></ol>

## 1. Air Operations Updates

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- Following recent inaccurate weather and security clearance reports to the UNHAS radio room, partners were reminded to carefully consult the attached [UNHAS Operational Notice](#) and [Airfield Focal Point instructions](#) to ensure mandatory procedures are strictly respected. Inaccurate reporting does not only affect logistics efficiencies but also prevents the Logistics Cluster from supporting other organisations. As such, cargo movements from partners who inaccurately reported the weather and/or security situation will be put on hold.
- Partners were informed that following recent air operations disruptions in Bor due to fuel shortage, the issue has been addressed and operations are now back to normal. Because of the disruption, there is currently over 200 mt of cargo pending to be dispatched from Bor to 17 locations on behalf of 30 partners. The Logistics Cluster will notify partners with pending cargo when there is a planned movement for their supplies, as per usual procedures.

- Logistics Cluster operations in Rumbek are running as usual and the fixed-wing aircraft based in Juba has returned to South Sudan after mandatory annual maintenance.
- In view of the pandemic, COVID-19 related cargo is prioritised, and the Logistics Cluster remains flexible to facilitate the movement by air, even if the final destination is reachable by road or river. Partners who need to transport COVID-19 related cargo should contact the Logistics Cluster team at [southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org](mailto:southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org).
- Current list of the Inter-Cluster Coordination Group (ICCG) priority locations:
  - Reachable by air:
    - Ayod: Western flank - Wau, Pajiek, Mogok and Pagil;
    - Duk: Poktap, Payuel, Padiet and Panyang;
    - Greater Pibor area: Pibor town, Lekuangole, Gumuruk and Labrab;
    - Panyijar: Nyal and Ganyiel;
    - Pochalla: Akiela, Adongo, Pochalla (Akoyi), Burator and Omiela;
    - Twic East: Multiple locations;
    - Uror: Whole County.
  - Reachable by road:
    - Awerial: Multiple locations;
    - Mangalla;
    - Rumbek East: Multiple locations;
    - Terekeka: Tombe and Muni;
    - Tonj East and South: multiple locations.
- Partners were reminded that non-priority cargo is served, but as per the Logistics Cluster mandate, priority locations are served first.
- Organisations are encouraged to submit Service Request Forms (SRFs) early and position their cargo at the Logistics Cluster transit warehouses.

## 2. Road Operations Updates

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- Organisations were reminded to share any physical road accessibility updates with the Logistics Cluster by emailing [southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org](mailto:southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org). The Access Constraints Map is published weekly and is available [here](#).
- The Juba-Bor road remains impassable for commercial trucks (specifically the Gemeiza-Bor road section). To address this logistical gap, the Logistics Cluster is temporarily offering river transport on this route (more details available in section 3).
- The Mundri-Maridi-Yambio road is now impassable to any type of truck following heavy rainfall.
- The next Western Corridor Convoys (WCC) are scheduled to depart Juba on 23 October and 6 November. During the rainy season, the road to Bentiu is impassable and the convoy route, passable for 20 mt trucks only, ends in Abiemnhom. Physical access challenges have also been reported around Wulu and Cuiebet along the Western Corridor. The Logistics Cluster is monitoring the situation and will

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keep partners informed. Interested organisations should submit their [Logistics Cluster Convoy Request Form](#) to [southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org](mailto:southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org).

- Convoys to Equatorias (Kapoeta, Kajo Keji, Yambio and Yei) are organised every two months with the next convoys scheduled for November 2020.
- Organisations interested in joining any upcoming Logistics Cluster convoys are urged to submit their [request forms](#), respecting registration deadlines indicated in the recently published [Convoy Schedule October-November 2020](#).
- Organisations interested in transporting cargo to deep field locations in Unity, Northern and Western Bahr El Ghazal through the Beyond Bentiu and Beyond Wau Responses are invited to consult the [Weekly Transport Plan](#), which details available locations, and submit their interest to the Logistics Cluster. Organisations interested in moving cargo through the Beyond Bentiu Response are requested to submit their interest three to five days in advance as most locations are accessible only by 4x4 trucks. Beyond Response Destinations Maps, detailing reachable locations, are available on the [Logistics Cluster website](#).
- The Logistics Cluster Bentiu team reported repeated discrepancies in release forms when organisations collect and/or request to transport items stored in Logistics Cluster common storage space. Partners were requested to ensure their programme staff liaise with their logistics focal points who control stocks for guidance on accurately filling in the request forms.

### 3. River Operations Updates

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- The Logistics Cluster finalised loading of barge #9 (Bor to Malakal) and is awaiting final access and security clearances following a security incident that took place in Shambe.
- Cargo consolidation is ongoing for barge #10 (Bor to Renk) that is expected to depart in November. Interested organisations are invited to submit their SRF to [southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org](mailto:southsudan.clustercargo@wfp.org) and pre-position their cargo at the Bor Logistics Cluster hub.
- As a reminder, the Logistics Cluster can also support organisations to move cargo from Renk to Bor and destinations in between. Partners are encouraged to submit their SRFs early for such movements.
- Considering the current road inaccessibility from Juba to Bor, the Logistics Cluster has launched temporary river services (boat convoys) from Juba to Bor. It will be offered twice a month and only until the road becomes fully passable again. Cargo destined for onward transport by river or air will also be accepted. The first movement (boat convoy #12) is scheduled to depart before the end of the week and boat convoy #13, on the same route, is expected to depart two weeks after.
- Boat convoy #14 from Bor to Sobat river locations is expected to depart in November. The Logistics Cluster consolidated 50 mt of humanitarian cargo and interested organisations are still invited to submit their interest to the Logistics Cluster. Organisations interested in moving cargo from Malakal to any location along the Jikmir river should also submit their interest to join this planned movement.
- Partners were reminded that boat convoys are available from Bor to Old Fangak and Sobat river, as well as from Malakal to Tonga, Renk and Sobat river locations. More details on locations, interest

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registration as well as clearances and cargo prepositioning deadlines are available on the recently published schedule available [here](#).

## 4. Logistics Cluster South Sudan prospects for 2021

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- Recognising that organisations are currently heavily engaged with the flood response, the Logistics Cluster reminded partners that it is also important to start planning ahead for 2021 to make sure organisations take advantage of the pre-positioning window when roads are accessible during the dry season.
- The Logistics Cluster will continue to advocate for operational efficiencies by aiming to continue expanding the use of road and river transport. Considering expected reduced funding in 2021, the Logistics Cluster is planning to remove the Rumbek based helicopter from the dry season schedule to reduce operational costs and ensure consistent support throughout the year.

## 4. AOB/Discussion

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- The Logistics Cluster informed partners that, in 2020, river movements have greatly expanded and that there have not been major disruptions noted, which allowed the Logistics Cluster to deliver 1796 mt of cargo by river (30% of total cargo moved).
- The Logistics Cluster informed partners that common storage is available in 23 locations across South Sudan, including 17 managed by partners, which can be used to pre-position cargo during the dry season. Information regarding locations are available on the [Concept of Operations map](#).

**The next Logistics Cluster meeting is scheduled for 17 November at 12:00 and will be held online.**

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