LOCATION: Kyiv, Ukraine  
DATE: 9 March 2017  
CHAIR: Logistics Cluster Coordinator  
ACTION POINTS:  
- For better planning purposes, organizations to share with the Logistics Cluster information on their pipeline in March and April.

PARTICIPANTS: Caritas Ukraine, OCHA, UNICEF  
AGENDA:  
1. Logistics Cluster update on common services (January – March)  
2. Access  
3. Avdiivka response  
4. AOB

1. Logistics Cluster update on common services (January – March)  
- The Logistics Cluster provided an update on convoy operations: three convoys with a total of 893 MT/2788 m³ of Shelter, WASH and Education cargo were facilitated during the period from 27 January to 9 March 2017.  
- Partners were informed that the warehouse in Dnipro accepted the following on behalf of IOM and UNICEF:  
  o Stock received: 1973 m³  
  o Stock dispatched: 3088 m³  
  o Stock end of month: 541 m³

2. Access  
- Participants were briefed about a new decree “Approval of the procedure of movement of goods in the area or from the area of the antiterrorist operation” issued by the Cabinet of Ministries of Ukraine on 1 March 2017 which updates the legal regime of transporting goods, including humanitarian aid to/from the area of the antiterrorist operation (ATO). The major update concerns the dedicated platforms which will be provided for the check-ups of humanitarian cargo. The decree comes into force on 10 March 2017.  
- It has been highlighted that the new transportation procedures require a donor representative to be present or a notary statement to be provided. This could potentially have a significant impact on the cargo transportation services facilitated by the Logistics Cluster.  
- The participants were informed that in the nearest future the decree is planned to be amended to include a list of prohibited items (“exclusion list”) or a list of allowed items (“inclusion list”). Participants collectively agreed that the “exclusion list” would be a preferable option. This view was well noted by the Logistics Cluster and will present it in case further discussions with authorities take place on the amendment of the decree.
• Participants as well as other humanitarian actors faced access constraints due to the intensification of the check-ups at the GCA (government-controlled area) checkpoint. Furthermore, one of the convoys facilitated by the Logistics Cluster in February was refused to cross the checkpoint to non-government controlled area. In addition, there is a rule for humanitarian convoys, which states that the list of trucks (with full details) has to be provided 10 days prior to the day of crossing the border, might be reintroduced.
• A brief overview was given describing the overall tendency of augmentation of the pass-through capacity for all the check points. The Ministry of Temporarily Occupied Territories and IDPs is currently in charge of coordinating the functioning of the check points.

3. Avdiivka response
• The humanitarian community has mobilised to coordinate the response in Avdiivka at the beginning of February. The Logistics Cluster was partially involved in assisting organisations to deliver food using the contingency stock from the warehouse in Dnipro.
• The Logistics Cluster officer has met with actors involved in the response to the crisis in Avdiivka to assess the current needs for the Logistics Cluster support in the area. The assessment revealed that there is a need for a logistics training for the local authorities in Kramatorsk. This will be delivered as part of the global support by WFP Supply Unit with support help of the Logistics Cluster.

4. AOB
• All common storage facilities can be accessed by humanitarian organisations at no cost to the user. Templates to request services as well as all reference documents can be found on the Logistics Cluster page at the following link: http://www.logcluster.org/ops/ukr15a.
• There are two convoys in the Pipeline for March, but they are currently on hold due to the pending authorisations to be received by partners from NGCA authorities and the Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine. For better planning purpose, organizations were asked to share with the Logistics Cluster information on their pipeline in March and April.

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