LOCATION: Kyiv, Ukraine
DATE: 11 February 2016
CHAIR: Logistics Cluster

ACTION POINTS:
- The Logistics Cluster to investigate the status of checkpoints for movement of cargo and provide an update.
- The Logistics Cluster to investigate vehicles registration procedures and provide an update.
- The Logistics Cluster to invite a representative from the Fiscal Service and/or Ministry of Social Policy to a subsequent coordination meeting.
- Participants to share information on their expected pipelines.
- Participants to share information on warehouse locations.

AGENDA:
- Introduction
- Common service provision:
  - Access
  - Planning & Pipeline
- AOB

1. Introduction
   - Participants were updated on the staffing situation for the cluster in Ukraine: the regular Logistics Cluster Coordinator is expected to return the following week and the IM Officer will be out of the country to attend a training event.

2. Common Service Provision
   - Participants were briefed on cargo handled through the Logistics Cluster in January of 2016: 611.8 m³ (470 mt) in total, with 89.1 m³ delivered to Donetsk and 522.7 m³ delivered to Luhansk.
   - Number of requests received/addressed by the Logistics Cluster over the last 5 months was also discussed; specifically the increase in the number of requests received in December (17 in all; compared to 5 in October, 9 in November, and 6 in January).
   - Totals for cargo handled through the Logistics Cluster since the beginning of the services were also presented, and participants discussed the possible reasons for the variations from month to month.
   - Access constraints in September and October resulted in almost no movement of cargo, whereas the increase seen at the end of the year (November and December) was attributed to improved access to eastern conflict areas and other programmatic factors (a significant increase in the quantity of shelter materials moved may account for the large increase in overall weight and volume).
• For services provided so far in 2016, the totals for weight and volume are slightly higher than the previous year (discounting November and December), while the number of monthly requests is approximately the same.

3. Access

• Participants discussed the current situation at checkpoints, and the possibilities for moving humanitarian cargo into eastern conflict areas.

• The Logistics Cluster raised concerns that, given the weather and hours of daylight available, the time required to move convoys and the time available to pass checkpoints does impose some limitations to be aware of. Larger convoys may not have sufficient time to pass the checkpoints during a single day.

• General congestion at the checkpoints remains a key concern, not only for cargo but also affecting and resulting from passenger cars and other traffic.

• The Logistics Cluster confirmed that they have been using only one checkpoint to facilitate transport of cargo, as the situation in other areas is highly variable.

• One participant confirmed that they had been able to move cargo through a second checkpoint in the past weeks; the Logistics Cluster will try to confirm the status of this second checkpoint with the team based in Donetsk.

• It was highlighted that the situation and status of checkpoints remains difficult to determine and not possible to predict from week to week.

4. Planning & Pipeline

• Participants were briefed on the current status of services available through the Logistics Cluster, and asked for additional information to support planning and management of activities.

• Participants were requested to share any indicative figures they have access to, concerning materials required to support their programme activities in the coming months.

• Several participants provided some estimation of their needs; other organisations were requested to do the same.

• Participants were also requested to share the location of stocks held, or of storage facilities they have contracted to hold cargo that is awaiting transportation into eastern conflict areas.

• One participant confirmed that their organisation has stocks in Sieverodonetsk; other organisations were requested to share this information as well.

5. AOB
• Participants were informed that the Logistics Cluster team in Donestk is available to assist in identifying storage locations available in eastern conflict areas.

• One participant asked that information and questions continue to be shared via the Logistics Cluster Skype group, to ensure that time-sensitive information is quickly available.

• Participants requested that a representative from the Fiscal Service and/or Ministry of Social Policy be invited to a subsequent coordination meetings to provide a briefing or update on processes and procedures related to humanitarian cargo.

• One participant requested additional information related to purchase, import, and registration of vehicles in Ukraine.

• Participants also discussed issues related to security and limitations/local constraints on visibility items for humanitarian passengers and cargo vehicles.

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