Situation Overview

- Access to Non-Government Controlled Areas (NGCAs) remains difficult. Risk of UXOs and ongoing fighting hamper the delivery of humanitarian cargo to the affected population in the Eastern Ukraine.

- Only limited entry points are accessible. Currently only two check-points are open for trucks to cross from the Government Controlled Areas (GCAs) to the Non-Government Controlled Areas (NGCAs). These are:
  
  - Novotroitskoye (Buhas)
  - Zaitseve.

- As of the latest UNDSS report, on 20 January 2016, all UN movements via Zaitseve check-point (Horlivka-Artemivsk road) are to be temporally suspended pending UNDSS assessment.


Coordination

- Coordination meetings have been organised in Kiev bi-weekly. The meetings in Donetsk are temporary suspended due to the small number of humanitarian actors present in NGCAs.

- The Logistics Cluster, with the support of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), continues to liaise with the Fiscal Services of Ukraine, as well as with Civil-Military Coordination working group (CIMIC) to streamline and facilitate the process of cargo transportation between government and non-government controlled areas on behalf of the humanitarian community.

- The Logistics Cluster has been assisting humanitarian actors by streamlining the complex procedures required for each transport by undertaking the administrative requirements on behalf of individual organisations, providing a UN umbrella to facilitate access for NGO cargo, and promoting recognition of convoys at checkpoints.

Road Transport and Access

- Since its activation in March 2015 the Logistics Cluster facilitated transportation of 3,247 mt (5,372 m³) of humanitarian cargo to the NGCAs on behalf of UNHCR, UNICEF, WHO, People In Need, Caritas, DRC, Mercy Corps, ADRA, GOAL, International HIV/AIDS Alliance and other humanitarian organisations acting in Ukraine.
• From 11 December 2015 to 29 January 2016, the Logistics Cluster facilitated six humanitarian convoys transporting 1,294 mt (2,059 m³) of humanitarian cargo to NGCAs in the Eastern Ukraine. Here following are the details:

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• More than 800 mt (1,850 m³) of relief items are still in the pipeline waiting to be delivered soon.

• Transport of humanitarian cargo for organisations currently authorized to act as consignee in NGCA is ongoing.

Storage

• The Logistics Cluster facilitated storage for humanitarian responders in Ukraine, managing organisations’ stocks on both sides of the contact line. Storage was available in the Government Controlled Areas (GCA), namely in Dnipropetrovsk and in the Non-Government Controlled Areas (NGCAs), namely Donetsk.

• From 11 December 2015 to 28 January 2016, 1,827 mt (2,942 m³) of humanitarian cargo from UNHCR, WFP, UNICEF, UNFPA, DRC have been accepted to the named warehouses.

• The warehouse in Dnipropetrovsk was used for consolidation of cargo before forwarding to the common warehouse in Donetsk.

• Requests for humanitarian cargo storage in Donetsk, decreased significantly in December 2015 and January 2016. Consequently Donetsk warehouse rent was temporarily suspended.

Harsh winter conditions

• The onset of winter in Ukraine resulted in extremely harsh road conditions, with snow and ice making convoy movements very difficult. These conditions are expected to continue throughout February-March 2016.

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The Logistics Cluster has taken mitigation measures, such as preparation of vehicles, studying of snow clearance mechanisms for truck convoys, and adaptation of warehouse storage arrangements to avoid the negative effects of the below freezing temperatures on the various types of cargo.

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