DATE: 27 September 2016
LOCATION: Djibouti
CHAIR: Logistics Cluster
PARTICIPANTS: WHO, MSF, UNVIM, WFP, UNHAS
ACTION POINTS:
- The Logistics Cluster to inform MSF regarding the possibility to organise combined airlifts;
- The Logistics Cluster to share a survey regarding upstream cargo transport to Yemen.

AGENDA:
1. Situation Update;
2. Logistics Cluster Services in Djibouti;
3. Air transport;
4. Sea transport;
5. AoB.

1. Situation Update
- The Logistics Cluster and participants briefly discussed the current situation in Yemen.
- WHO noted that according to a new rule issued by the Djibouti Minister of Health, the import of medical cargo in Djibouti is subject to inspections by Minister of Health. WHO clarified that this rule only applies to medical cargo destined for Djibouti but not to cargo that has an ‘in transit for Yemen’ status.

2. Logistics Cluster Services in Djibouti
- The Logistics Cluster informed that in order to better monitor the movement of humanitarian cargo to Yemen, a survey will be circulated through the mailing list. The survey aims to gather more information on organisations’ current and future supply chains, with a focus on the use of a transit hub and on current and potential needs and bottlenecks.
- MSF re-stated its interest in using the Logistics Cluster’s airlift service to send cargo to Sana’a, Yemen. The Logistics Cluster will liaise bilaterally with MSF regarding the possibility of organising combined airlifts.

Air Updates
- Since the last week of July, MSF is operating weekly flights (every Thursday) from Djibouti to Aden. The flight, which has a capacity of 8 passengers and 1 mt of cargo, has been used so far only by MSF and ICRC staff. MSF stated that no issues were encountered in the use of the Aden flight corridor so far.
- To test lab results, WHO inquired on the best procedure to transit medical items (stools), from Yemen to Europe by air. The Logistics Cluster suggested to have the items listed as ‘cargo in transit to X’ on the UNHAS Air Waybills AWB used for Sana’a to Djibouti. At the same time, WHO’s clearing agent in Djibouti should be mentioned as notifying party.

UNHAS:
- Aden airport remains inaccessible for UNHAS flights due to the prevailing security situation on the ground. Shall the situation evolve, UNHAS will notify the humanitarian community.
- Flights from Sana’a to Amman are available on a weekly basis; however, bookings requests are low.

4. Sea updates
UNVIM informed that berthing delays at Hodeidah port have significantly increased compared to the previous period. These delays are mainly due to a poor handling capacity at Hodeidah port.

The following port updates as of 27 September were shared:

- **Hodeida Port** is operational with 6 vessels discharging, 35 vessels awaiting at anchorage and 15 vessels expected;
- **Saleef Port** is operational with 2 vessels discharging, 9 vessels awaiting at anchorage and 3 vessels expected;
- **Aden Port** is operational with 5 vessels discharging, and 1 vessels awaiting at anchorage.
- **Ras Issa Port** is operational with 1 vessel discharging at quay side, 1 vessel waiting at anchorage and 2 vessels expected.

**AOB**

*The next Logistics Cluster Meeting will take place on Monday 10 October at 15:00 at the WFP Office in Djibouti*

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