Since March 2015 commercial air carriers have suspended their regular air operations to Yemen. This has drastically limited humanitarian organisations in chartering cargo flights to Yemen.

The Logistics Cluster has identified the need to establish regular airlift services to Yemen to enhance access to Yemen and provide a fast and efficient service for emergency relief cargo.

However due to limitations in aircraft capacity and financial resources, airlift services will only apply for urgent cargo that cannot be transported by sea, that require specific care, such as cold chain, or it is time sensitive, such as items with expiry dates.

The Logistics Cluster will therefore facilitate access to airlift services on a regular monthly schedule upon funds availability. Due to a lack of downstream pipeline report and to ensure the services are equally and fairly offered to all Service Users, the Logistics Cluster airlift can only accommodate a maximum 5 mt per organisation, per flight.

The Logistics Cluster will work and coordinate closely with the other clusters, the ICCM and the HCT to establish which cargo qualifies for airlift. Ultimately a checklist of prioritised cargo should be developed shortly by the Inter Cluster Working Group and endorsed by HCT.

The monthly airlift will be on a free of charge basis, funded by the Logistics Cluster. All custom clearance, exportation permit will have to be handle by individual organisations as the Logistics Cluster is no longer providing the service.

**The following procedure will apply to the monthly airlift from Djibouti to Sana’a:**

- The Logistics Cluster will announce the flights schedule latest three weeks in advance. The tentative schedule as of 2 May is: 22 May, 22 June and 22 July.  
  *Please note that dates are tentative and subject to change, partners will be informed about any change.*

- **Service Users must submit the required documentation no later than 10 days before the scheduled flight. Incomplete or late requests will not be accepted.** Documents requested are the following:
  - Detailed and accurate packing list (weight and volume)
  - Copy of the original B/L or AWB
  - Details of the consignment to ensure the nature of the cargo (dangerous good, sensitive) in compliance with IATA rules and regulations (check with Alain)
  - Cargo commercial invoice
  - Distribution plan

- Service Users are responsible to conduct the custom clearance for their cargo.

- Service Users will be responsible to deliver their custom cleared consignment directly at the designated airport cargo area **minimum 7 days** before the expected departure date with all documentation highlighted above.

- Only lifesaving items will be accepted for the airlift.

- Requests above 5 mt can be accepted on an exceptional basis provided enough capacity is available and a justification is provided.
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- Requests exceeding the maximum payload of 5 mt allocated to each organization might not be accepted. However, UNHAS/WFP can assist in chartering a special flight to accommodate larger consignment on a cost recovery basis.
- For all dangerous or sensitive goods, organizations must provide all official and legal permit or authorization importation approvals from the authorities.
- Service Users will be responsible for the transportation of their cargo to Djibouti airport. The Logistics Cluster can assist with obtaining the authorization to access the cargo area.

Timeline

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DISCLAIMERS

- The Logistics Cluster shall not be held responsible for any cargo confiscated or held at the airport by the authority
- The Logistics Cluster has the right to reject during the loading any cargo that is not matching the physical description on the packing list.
- Shall any additional expenses occur due to non-compliance with any of the above dispositions or due to negligence, the Service User will cover the cost.

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