
Hurricane Matthew
Logistics Working Group Coordination Meeting
Panama

LOCATION: Panama City – OCHA ROLAC

DATE: 14 October 2016

CHAIR: WFP Logistics Officer

PARTICIPANTS: UNFPA, IFRC, WFP, PAHO, OCHA

- ACTION POINTS:**
- Organisations interested in sending cargo to Haiti to send their transport requests to unhrd.customerservice@wfp.org
 - Organisations that had sent cargo to Haiti through UNHRD to ensure their local staff keep in contact with UNHRD and Logistics sector representatives in Haiti in order to confirm the receipt at destination.

- AGENDA:**
1. Logistics Sector Updates
 2. WFP Special Operation updates
 3. UNHRD status
 4. Updates from participants
 5. AOB

1. Logistics Sector Updates

Haiti

- Interagency warehouse in Les Cayes is now fully operational and partners should ensure their counterparts in the field keep in contact with Logistics sector representatives in Haiti in order to coordinate any support required. Contact person in regards to access the interagency services in Haiti is Mr. Baptiste Burgaud (baptiste.burgaud@wfp.org) or Mr. Edmondo Perrone (edmondo.perrone@wfp.org).
- WFP has transported total of 1,087 mt to date to Les Cayes and Jeremie, of which 102 mt was transported with the support of US helicopters.
- WFP has deployed 15 off-road trucks to affected areas: they are positioned in Les Cayes (5) and Jeremie (10) in support of humanitarian assistance.
- High energy biscuits (HEBs) arrived in Haiti on-board flights donated by UPS.

2. WFP Special Operation concept and services

- WFP Special Operation is under budget revision to extend its duration until February 2017 and increase the amount of support staff to be deployed to Haiti in support of the provision of services to humanitarian actors through the Logistic Sector Group.

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- Currently, WFP has deployed over 16 staff to Haiti, in order to provide support to the ongoing emergency operations. This includes logistics support with coordination of road, air and sea transport options as well as deployment of a civil/military coordination specialist, information management officers and a dedicated interagency coordination with humanitarian partners on the ground. Focal points to be contacted in Haiti for Logistic Sector Coordination are Baptiste Burgaud, Edmondo Perrone and Athalie Mayo.
- For WFP Haiti food distributions, the contact focal point is Mr. Nuru Jumaine (nuru.jumaine@wfp.org), Head of supply chain in Haiti.

3. UNHRD updates

Haiti

- Flight on a cost recovery basis from UNHRD Panama with partner's cargo totaling 77 mt arrived this morning in Port au Prince.
- UNHRD will be sending cargo onboard flights donated through a partnership with UPS. The first flight is scheduled for Monday and the second one may be possible mid-week.

Cuba

- Flight from UNHRD Panama arrived to Santiago de Cuba on in the afternoon of October 13, with cargo from WFP and UNICEF.

4. Updates from participants

Haiti

- IFRC sent their 4th charter flight on 8 October and 4 more containers will arrive to Haiti from Panama on 20 October.
- PAHO is coordinating sending some more NFIs (mosquito nets, water purification tabs, etc.) through their partnership with UNHRD. Their tents, which will serve to set up cholera centres, arrived to Haiti on 11 October and the contact person is Mr. Jeronimo Venegas.
- UNFPA asked to follow up on the information concerning their shipments done through UNHRD. They were advised to follow up with UNHRD directly both on the status of cargo upon arrival and the pertaining documentation. UNFPA is also interested in the possibility of having storage space in the interagency warehouse. They will coordinate locally with staff in charge (see section on Special operation and services above).

5. AOB

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- All Information related to this emergency, including logistics coordination meeting minutes, will be uploaded at the following link: <http://www.logcluster.org/sector/hurrimat16>
- Carlos Melendez finished his temporary mission yesterday and is back to his duty station. As of Monday, 17 October Andrew Stanhope will be back in Panama and in charge of the coordination.
- Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 20 October at 9:00 am at OCHA office.

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