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1. Logistics Operational Updates

Dominica

- A third consignment of emergency supplies loaded in Antigua, on board the Royal Netherlands Navy vessel Pelikaan, arrived in Dominica on 2 October with cargo from several organisations, including Samaritan's Purse, DfID, UNICEF, International Medical Corps and WFP.
- The Pelikaan also provided fuel supply (ship Diesel) to organisations to support operations and during permanence at Roseau port.
- In line with the Government of Dominica (GoD) plans and with the support of WFP logistics teams on the ground, arrivals are offloaded and secured at Roseau port before further dispatch. Organisations are reminded to be at port to receive their respective consignments to facilitate their release.
- To augment storage capacity at the port, WFP is preparing to install two 28x10 Mobile Storage Units (MSUs). These will be run in collaboration with GoD to provide free-to-user common storage for the humanitarian community.
- Situation on the ground has improved with more roads open. Power has returned and about 9,000 residents have access to water.

Antigua & Barbuda

- WFP dispatched a Mobile Storage Unit (MSU) to Barbuda, as requested by local authorities, which will be erected next to the Community Centre to provide critical storage augmentation capacity.
- In Barbuda, works continue to meet the requests for internet connectivity and explore options with partners, including Digicel, in order to establish standard procedures for communication with the displaced communities and support services provision.
- Storage at the current Antigua logistics hub doesn't represent a bottleneck and all deliveries are coordinated through the National Office for Disaster Services (NODS).

2. Coordination

Antigua and Barbuda

- A Logistics Sector Working Group continues to be present and coordinate the logistics response and address gaps and bottlenecks. Regular meetings are being held in St John's where organisations report on updates, constraints and need for support with cargo consolidation and movement to the different locations. The schedule for upcoming meetings can be found here: www.logcluster.org/sector/irma2017

Dominica

- A Logistics Coordination Hub has been established at Roseau. A Logistics Coordinator, a Civil Military Coordination Officer and two members of UNHRD Rapid Response team are providing support to the Government-led response with logistics coordination, facilitation of the use of military assets and cargo processing at port and airport.
- The first Logistics Sector Coordination Meeting in Roseau was held on 2 October 2017. Minutes of the meeting can be found at: <http://www.logcluster.org/document/logistics-sector-coordination-meeting-roseau-2-october-2017>
- Meetings will be hosted on a weekly basis, with the next one to be held on 9 October 2017 at 16:00 at the Fort Young Conference Room in Roseau.
- Dominica's latest Access Constraints Map (as of 3 October, 2017) is available at: <http://www.logcluster.org/map/dominica-access-constraints-map-3-october-2017>

Barbados (regional hub)

- A coordination platform was launched at regional level in Panama to understand the needs and gaps of the logistics response across the region.
- Following the Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA) transitioning from emergency response to the recovery and rehabilitation phase, the logistics coordination support cell based in Barbados has been phased-out. This was marked with a final handover of information management tools, documents and procedures developed in support of logistical operations and cargo tracking in the region.
- The regional Relief Items Tracking Matrix continues to be updated and maintained by the CDEMA and can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/yaso24ml>

- Organisations are encouraged to continue to use the matrix and to upload information on their projected, planned and completed cargo, or to share information with CDEMA by emailing information/cargo manifest to: rccuser@cdema.org

3. UNHAS Air Service

- Regular flights with UNHAS Cessna Caravan C208B are being facilitated from Antigua to Dominica, as well as Anguilla and Sint Marteen, primarily for the transportation of humanitarian responders and some light cargo. Dominica is currently served three times a week, sometimes with a double rotation per day.
- UNHAS has also mobilised and made available free-to-user helicopter lift capacity of 1.5 mt, which is being used to support assessments and distribution activities to hard-to-reach locations.
- Revised Service User Guide and Booking Forms for UNHAS air assets have been circulated via distribution list and are available for download here: <http://www.logcluster.org/sector/irma17>
- A flight schedule (subject to change) is also available here: <https://tinyurl.com/y6v2lk6p>
- Queries and information on UNHAS services should be emailed to unhas.caribbean@wfp.org

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