

LOCATION: Tunis, and teleconference with Tripoli

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CHAIR: Logistics Sector

PARTICIPANTS: FAO, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), International Organization for Migration (IOM), MSF-Holland, WFP

- ACTION POINTS**
- Logistics Sector to inform partners once the Tripoli common warehouse is operational.
 - Logistics Sector to follow up on the list of controlled medicines.
 - Logistics Sector to follow up on the disposal of expired medicines.
 - Organisations to provide their feedback to UNHAS.
 - Logistics Sector to re-circulate template for suppliers' list.

- AGENDA**
1. Logistics Sector Updates
 2. Import Procedures
 3. Disposal of Expired Medicines
 4. UNHAS
 5. AOB

1. Logistics Sector Updates

- The new Logistics Sector Associate based in Tripoli, Ala Aljaddal, was introduced to participants.
- Draft guidance on the importation of humanitarian supplies into Libya, a list of pre-qualified medical suppliers, the Benghazi port assessment and a presentation on how to access common services have been circulated through the sector's mailing list.
- A common storage facility in Tripoli has been secured and is expected to be operational soon. A brief re-cap on access to and of use common services was provided to participants. Forms, guidance and SOPs will be shared and posted on the sector's webpage as soon as the warehouse is operational.
- One organisation attending the meeting raised the possible need for cold storage in the south of the country.

2. Import Procedures

- Organisations confirmed that the procedures described in the draft document shared by the sector match requirements encountered when importing humanitarian items.
- In relation to the list of pre-approved medical suppliers issued by the Ministry of Health (MoH), concerns were raised that this might limit the number of suppliers that organisations can buy their drugs from. The process to have additional companies added to the MoH's pre-approved list needs to be clarified.
- It appears that if imported humanitarian cargo has Food and Drugs Control Centre (FDCC) approvals, it will be released by customs. More clarity is required for the instances when approvals are given by the FDCC but not by the MoH.
- MSF-Holland will share with the sector the procedure to obtain an exemption from the sample fees for imported drugs.

3. Disposal of Expired Medicines

- To dispose of expired medicines through the MoH, organisations should write to the MoH with a list of expired items that require disposal, and they will supply the address of a warehouse to deliver the expired items to. However, the MoH appears to have temporarily suspended the acceptance of new medicines for disposal; the Logistics Sector will attempt to clarify this.

4. UNHAS

- The current UNHAS schedule includes regular flights to Tripoli/Mitiga airport, Misrata and Benghazi. The up-to-date schedule can be found [here](#).
- Staff travelling with UNHAS are requested to read their ticket thoroughly, as passengers may have to be placed on stand-by when demand exceeds flight capacity. UNHAS is looking for ways to reduce the number of stand-by passengers.
- Organisations are welcome to provide their feedback to UNHAS so that procedures can be streamlined and improved. Organisations' focal points can write to Unhas.libya@wfp.org.
- Participants were reminded that all UNHAS contacts can be found at the bottom of each e-ticket, as well as in the signatures of UNHAS emails.
- To streamline communication, all requests addressed to UNHAS Libya should be sent through organisation focal points, rather than directly by passengers.

5. AOB

- The Logistics Sector will re-circulate a template for partners to share their suppliers lists. The Logistics Sector will compile and share the comprehensive list once finalised.
- Partners that have received a list of controlled medicines issued by the MoH are requested to share it with the Logistics Sector so that it can be circulated with partners.

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