LOCATION  Maiduguri, Nigeria - OCHA Office

DATE  8 October 2019

CHAIR  Logistics Sector


ACTION POINTS  
• Logistics Sector to establish communication with Maiduguri airport authorities to discuss partner access fees.
• Logistics sector to re-share process for submitting cargo movement notification forms (CMNF) with interested partners.

AGENDA  
1. Introduction and Previous Action Points
2. Civil-Military Coordination
3. Common Storage
4. Shared Partner Storage
5. Mobile Storage Unit (MSU) Set-Up Training
6. AOB

1. Introduction and Previous Action Points

• Since the last meeting, the Logistics Sector shared a contract template and price list for using recovery services through the National Union of Road Transport Workers’ (NURTW) Borno State Council.
• Additional action points from the last meeting were:
  o Partners to share cargo movement-related issues with Logistics Sector, INGO forum or International NGO Safety Organisation (INSO).
  o Partners to obtain clearance for all humanitarian cargo leaving Maiduguri regardless of destination to avoid blockages or delays at checkpoints.

2. Civil-Military Coordination

• Reports have been received of armed persons in uniform making unannounced visits to partner warehouses (and other facilities) for the purpose of conducting inspections.
• Attending humanitarian logistics personnel were advised by UN/NGO security focal points to avoid taking any action that could endanger personal safety or well-being, should any authority figure approach a humanitarian facility.
• Attending humanitarian logistics personnel were reminded to inform their senior management, security/civil-military focal points, the INGO Forum and/or UNOCHA of such encounters (secondary reporting is also possible via the Logistics Sector, who will pass all information to the DHC/OHCT).

Road Access
• North route accessible for cargo movement without escort until Monguno.
• North West route accessible for cargo movement without escort until Damasak.
• West route accessible for cargo movement without escort.
• South West route to Damboa is closed for cargo movement.

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• South route is accessible for cargo movement without escort until the Banki junction; from the junction to Banki the route is only accessible for cargo movement with escort (reported to be available daily).
• East route is reported to be accessible for cargo movement with escort until Dikwa (to be confirmed); from Dikwa to Ngala the route is reported to be accessible for cargo movement with escort (to be confirmed); from Ngala to Rann the route is reported to be closed for cargo movement (to be confirmed).
• Partners were reminded to submit any cargo movement notifications to the Logistics Sector by 5:00 PM every Wednesday. Submitted forms will be for the following week.

3. Common Storage

Facilities Update
• Monguno operated by Solidarités International: Additional 10x32 meter MSU expected to be installed in the coming two weeks.
• Banki operated by INTERSOS: Shelving will be installed in the temperature-controlled space.
• Bama operated by INTERSOS: No update.
• Ngala operated by INTERSOS: No update.
• Damasak operated by ACTED: Dramatic increase in stored items in Damasak.
• Dikwa operated by ACTED: Installation of an additional MSU still planned.

4. Shared Partner Storage

• Due to an increase in storage requests coming to the Logistics Sector, partners are encouraged to share space if possible.
  o Partners who are willing to offer storage to other humanitarian agencies are requested to contact the Logistics Sector, including with information on the overall square meters of available covered storage space, the duration it might be available for, and the overall requirements for storing.
  o Partners who need storage space are also requested to contact the Logistics Sector detailing cubic meters of storage required and time frame for storage.
  o Queries can be sent to Kelly.Bradley@wfp.org.

5. Mobile Storage Unit (MSU) Set-up Training

• The Logistics Sector will be hosting a training to instruct participants how to build/set-up Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) on 17 October, location to be provided upon confirmation of participation.
• Organizations who would like to have their personnel attend are requested to email Niroj.Panta@wfp.org before 17:00 on Wednesday, 14 October. Please be sure to provide the nominee’s full name, job title, and gender.

6. AOB

• Two partners reported some difficulty securing sufficient fuel supply in Maiduguri for what appear to be administrative reasons; however, no other organization in attendance reported similar issues, and this does not appear to be a common experience. The Logistics Sector will work with the agencies to help resolve issues, and possibly identify new suppliers.
Several partners expressed concerns about operational costs, specifically the fees humanitarian agencies must pay at Maiduguri Airport every time they drop-off or pick-up personnel. Partners requested a collective negotiation on fees, hopefully to reduce overall costs. The Logistics Sector will investigate developing standard terms for the entire humanitarian community.

One partner reported that unidentified armed persons in uniform entered their warehouse in Maiduguri, took photos of the premise and inspected the contents of the warehouse.

*The next Logistics Sector coordination meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 24 September 2019, time and location to be confirmed.*

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