LOCATION: Ukraine  
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Situation Overview

- The ceasefire in Eastern Ukraine is holding despite sporadic incidents. However UXO and mines remain an issue and all movement is restricted to known corridors.
- The Logistics Cluster now has a Logistics Civil Military Liaison Officer in Donetsk to facilitate logistics operations for all humanitarian partners, as well as a liaison/information officer.
- A Logistics Officer is based at the transfer warehouse in Dnipropetrovsk to coordinate with partners and oversee common storage / transport to Donetsk.

Customs and Procurement

- Registration and taxation for humanitarian organizations not already accredited in Ukraine remain an issue. OCHA is addressing the topics at government level to try and ease these constraints.

Access

- A taskforce has been established which includes the Logistics Cluster, OCHA, and those organisations currently most present in the Non-Government Controlled Areas (NGCAs) to work on streamlining procedures for humanitarian personnel and cargo entering the NGCAs. Meetings are being held with the various government departments responsible with the goal of establishing clear, simple procedures to be applied across the board.
- It is likely that specific procedures will also be implemented in the NGCAs.
### Road Transport Services

- Nine out of ten organisations who participated in an informal survey are expecting to use common transport over the coming period, however funding issues and other constraints appear to be slowing the pipeline. Organisations are requested to communicate their anticipated requirements to the Logistics Cluster.

- A revised list of documents required for cargo transport into the NGCAs has been outlined and distributed to all Logistics Cluster participants. The Logistics Cluster is now establishing ways to take on board more of the administrative procedures in order to ease the process for partners.

- The Logistics Cluster remains ready to discuss organisation’ specific logistics needs in order to provide any possible assistance.

### Hubs/Warehousing

- Seven out of ten organisations who responded to an informal survey expected to use interagency warehousing for short-term storage.

- Transfer warehouses have been established both in Dnipropetrovsk and in Donetsk.

- WFP and the Logistics Cluster are planning a logistics assessment mission to Luhansk next week. Warehousing and other logistics capacity will be one of the main focuses.

- The Logistics Civil Military Liaison Officer in Donetsk will remain available to assist and support all humanitarian organisations in terms of logistics and related issues.

### Information Management and GIS

- Logistics Cluster partners in Donetsk are gathering data to expand on logistics mapping.

- Maps and Operational Updates are available at: [www.logcluster.org/ops/ukr15a](http://www.logcluster.org/ops/ukr15a)

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