# Libya Logistics Working Group

Libya – Coordination Meeting Minutes

16 October 2023

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| **LOCATION** | Benghazi, Libya (Online) |
| **DATE** | 16 October 2023 |
| **CHAIR** | Logistics Working Group with WFP |
| **PARTICIPANTS** | ACTED; Airlink; Canadian Red Cross; CARE Germany; Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) – Humanitarian and Stabilisation Operations Team (HSOT); Global Logistics Cluster (GLC); Helpcode; humedica International Aid; International Committee of the Red Cross/Red Crescent (ICRC); International Organization for Migration (IOM); International Rescue Committee (IRC); OCHA; UNICEF; World Food Programme (WFP) |
| **AGENDA** | 1. Situation Update<br>2. Logistics Update<br>3. Partner Updates<br>4. AOB |
| **ACTION POINTS** | • Partners are asked to share road status and physical access constraints with the Logistics Working Group to help update the LogIE tool.<br>• Partners are asked to share information on logistics challenges they encounter in their operations with the Logistics Working Group. |

## 1. Situation Update

- Libya response transitioning from emergency to early recovery.
- Telecommunications partially restored in Benghazi. Has been reported that internet is not consistently available but can communicate with mobile calls.
    - Organisations attending the meeting reported no current communications challenges in their operations.
- Some staff from United Nations (UN) agencies are working in Tripoli due to communications blackout. To be confirmed how non-governmental organisations (NGOs) are operating.

## 2. Logistics Update

- The Logistics Working Group is participating in the Inter Working Group. Partners are asked to share challenges that they would like to have discussed in the Inter Working Group meetings.
- The Logistics Working Group will now meet once per week on Mondays at 14:00 Benghazi time.
- Non-food item (NFI) guidance note shared with Logistics Working Group partners via mailing list.
- Reports have been received that some hotels in Benghazi have more room availability.
- LogIE is being updated with partner feedback as road conditions are reassessed. Partners are asked to share information on road conditions and passability as encountered or reported by implementing partners.
- Port of Benghazi is functional can be a feasible route for cargo transport
- Contracts for transport to partners from WFP with a signed service level agreement (SLA).

***CHALLENGES***

Challenges reported by responding humanitarian organisations include:

- Significant delay in the issuance of visas is still ongoing. Organisations can contact the Access Working Group for more information.
- Access to affected areas continues to be a challenge. Organisations needing to access these areas should submit a form for each activity area with the support of the Access Working Group; United Nations organisations submit through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and international non-government organisations submit through Country Cooperations Strategy (CCS)-E.

## 4. Partner Updates

***QUESTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING AND WHATSAPP GROUP***

- Several of the inquieres expressed in previous meetings were clarified such as : NIFI guidance note, maps, customs documents, and roads accesiblity etc.
- Internet and Communications Technology (ICT) team is interested in any available information on the telecommunications infrastructure in Derna.
- Have any partners managed to distribute in Derna?
    - Organisations have been able to distribute in Derna through local implementing partners.

***DOCUMENTATION***

- Advocacy for the issuance of security clearances is needed, organisations are operating through local partners such as Libaid and the Libya Red Crescent.

***FLIGHTS***

- Overland access from Cairo is still complex. Airlink is assessing the option of charter flights from Mitiga (Tripoli) or Benina (Benghazi). They will share more information when available.

***SUPPLIERS/PROCUREMENT***

- UNICEF is scaling up local procurement for NFIs and water plan installations and they are looking for additional vendors for consideration.
- CARE – Operating through LRC, purchased NFIs in Tripoli and organised transport to Benghazi.
- Attendees interested in consolidating a list of vendors from all partners to be shared via the mailing list or online. The Logistics Working Group will discuss options and revert back.

## 5. AOB

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**The next Logistics Cluster Coordination meeting will be held on 23 October 2023.**

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