South Sudan – Meeting Minutes

LOCATION: Meeting Room – Office Area Logistics Base, Bentiu

DATE: 19 August 2016

CHAIR: Logistics Cluster Bentiu

PARTICIPANTS: Concern, International Organization for Migration (IOM), International Rescue Committee (IRC), Mercy Corps and Danish Refugee Council (DRC)

ACTION POINTS:

- Considering requests from participants, the Logistics Cluster is on stand-by to support airstrip reception and daily requests from warehouses to Protection of Civilian (PoC) sites and Bentiu.
- IOM to continue ensuring all the Common Transport Service (CTS) trucks are operational and available to support organisations requests.

AGENDA:

1. Operational Update
2. Overland Transport & Air Transport
3. Storage
4. AOB

1. Operational Update

- CONCERN continues to carry out cargo distribution to beneficiaries in the PoC with support of Common Transport Service (CTS) trucks. A request was made for additional support of CTS trucks for another week.
- Considering the condition of the roads connecting most of deep field locations being covered by beyond Bentiu strategy, CTS trucks are only confined to airstrip reception. Bentiu town and Protection of Civilian PoC activities are expected to be disrupted because of the rain.

2. Overland & Air transport

- DRC is working with Handicap International to airlift relief items from Juba early next week.
- IOM is expecting cargo from Samaritan's Purse next week – this is to be determined by the condition of the runway, since the expected aircraft is 5MT.
- The Logistics Cluster continues to facilitate movement of cargo belonging to Mercy Corps to Bentiu town.
- Airstrip maintenance by IOM is ongoing to ensure the runway continues to be operational throughout the rainy season.
- The Logistics Cluster emphasized the need for organisations to abide by the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for airstrip reception.
- Organisations were also reminded to ensure all chartered flights are clearly branded with stickers and to coordinate with their Juba offices for Flight Safety Assurances (FSAs). Organisations are expected to inform the Logistics Cluster in advance for any support required.

3. Storage

- IRC to relocate 200 bales of Mosquito nets from UNICEF Warehouse to the warehouse managed by the Logistics Cluster temporarily for a month.
- IOM reminded participants that they no longer have space for the construction of temporary fuel storage at the Logistics Base and organisations must abide considering the risks involved in keeping fuel in barrels. Participants were also informed to take advantage of the IOM fuel facility.

4. AOB

- IOM is requesting all organisations using the CTS trucks to clearly indicate the cargo being transported, including the weight, to help them in computing the total weight they transport daily, weekly and monthly when sharing reports.
- The most recent Access Constraints map can be found here:

  http://www.logcluster.org/sites/default/files/maps/ssd_lc_op_accessconstraints_a3l_20160819_0.pdf

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