

WFP EBOLA RESPONSE Regional Situation Report

COMMON SERVICES IN GUINEA, LIBERIA AND SIERRA LEONE

Monthly Overview - August 2015

Due to its expertise in logistics, engineering and telecommunications, WFP has been requested to provide dedicated Common Services to the Ebola Response.

All activities are being implemented under Special Operation 200773.



Common Services in Numbers (as of 31 August 2015)

Overall requirements: US\$ 205 million

24,306 passengers & 181 mt cargo transported by UNHAS

2,245 mt dispatched by UNHRD

The Logistics Cluster facilitated across Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia (since 4 September 2014)*: the transportation of over 112,900m³ of cargo on behalf of 103 organisations

the storage of over 149,000m³ of cargo on behalf of over 77 organisations



Through WFP, the Logistic Cluster facilitated the use of two pick-up trucks for distributions of relief items in the context of the Active Research Campaign in Conakry, GUINEA.

Partners in LIBERIA have been informed that the Logistics Cluster is in the process of phasing out its role as 'provider of a last resort' in response to the reduction in operational demands and logistics constraints. The free-to-user services it provides through WFP are gradually being reduced, including the facilitation of transportation and the provision of storage services (except for Personal Protective Equipment kits handled by WHO and the Ministry of Health).

The Logistics Cluster continued to facilitate, through WFP, the transportation and storage of cargo on behalf of partners involved in response to the Ebola outbreaks in Tonkolili and Kambia, SIERRA LEONE.

In GUINEA, WFP organised an Ebola Medevac training at the Nongo ETU, and provided the necessary equipment. Around 15 staff members from several agencies including WHO, UNICEF and MSF attended the training.

From the end of August 2015, in line with the reduction in operational demands and logistics constraints, the balances of Freeport stock have been transferred to SKD Main Logistics Hub and WFP will no longer be renting the Main Logistics Hub in Freeport, LIBERIA.



Logistics: we deliver

Within the framework of the Joint Collaboration with WHO, WFP continues to support WHO field teams in Kambia, Port Loko, Makeni and Koidu as requested. In addition, WFP completed the set-up of WHO field office and accommodation space in Tonkolili, SIERRA LEONE.

^{*}The Logistics Cluster aims to report the most accurate data possible, based on the information available at the time of reporting. $\underline{www.logcluster.org/ops/ebola14}$



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UNHAS provides safe and reliable passenger and cargo air services to the humanitarian community, especially to remote locations where there are no commercial alternatives.

Since 16 August 2014, UNHAS has performed 4,565 take-offs, transporting 24,306 passengers and 181 mt of cargo.

In August 2015, UNHAS transported over 2,200 passengers and 11 mt of cargo. The UNHAS WAC fleet currently consists of three fixed-wing aircraft and five helicopters (two out of three are specially equipped for medevac of health and humanitarian personnel with Ebola).

Currently, due to poor weather conditions and reduced passenger numbers, UNHAS flights within the Ebola Affected Countries (EACs) may be subject to cancellations. If the cancellation is not weather related and if aircraft are available, UNHAS will attempt to organise a recovery flight on the same day, otherwise passengers will be booked on the next available flight.

UNHRD is a network of depots around the world that procures, stores, manages and transports emergency supplies for the humanitarian community.



In August 2015, UNHRD dispatched 2 generators from Accra to Liberia on behalf of WFP, valued at USD 20,000.

Since March 2014, UNHRD dispatched 2,245 mt of relief items and support equipment valued at USD 28.1 million to Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone on behalf of partners.



The Emergency Telecommunications (ET) Cluster provides timely Information, Communications and Technology services to support humanitarian community in carrying out their work efficiently, effectively and safely.

The Emergency Telecommunications (ET) Cluster is providing internet services to 33 humanitarian facilities across Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone. Since the beginning of the operation, more than 3,300 humanitarian responders have used the internet networks set up by the ET Cluster at 80 facilities.

The ET Cluster is reviewing its operations in locations declared Ebola-free; where cases are registered, services will continue to be provided.

In line with this strategy, in Guinea the ET Cluster is working closely with a local service provider at Kissidougou Forward Logistics Base to ensure a smooth transition of the services to commercial solutions.

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