

Monthly Overview - September 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 28 September 2015)

Overall requirements: **US\$ 205 million**

26,776 passengers & **188 mt** cargo transported by UNHAS

2,282 mt dispatched by UNHRD

The Logistics Cluster facilitated across Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia (since 4 September 2014):*
*the transportation of over **115,900m³** of cargo on behalf of **103** organisations*
*the storage of over **160,400m³** of cargo on behalf of over **77** organisations*



The Logistics Cluster is gradually phasing out the provision of logistics services at no-cost-to-user in the Ebola-affected countries as sufficient commercial capacity exists and WFP will continue to make services available on a cost recovery basis.

In **GUINEA**, no new requests for storage will be accepted by the Logistics Cluster at no-cost-to-user as of 7 September. Storage services for cargo already in stock will be provided until 31 December 2015 and transportation services will end on 30 September.

The provision of no-cost-to-user transportation and storage services to humanitarian partners ended in **LIBERIA** as well, with the exception of handling Personal Protective Equipment and Infection Prevention Control kits for WHO and the Ministry of Health.

In **SIERRA LEONE**, the Logistics Cluster facilitated, through WFP, transport and storage services in support of the recent Ebola outbreaks in Sella-Kafta (Kambia) and Robureh (Bombali).

In **GUINEA**, WFP is implementing a transition strategy to shift from an emergency response to a gradual recovery, nonetheless continuing to provide logistics support according to operational needs.

In **LIBERIA**, as part of its transitions strategy, WFP is providing on-the-job training at WFP main logistics base and forward logistics bases to staff of the Liberia General Services Agency (GSA), a cross ministerial agency.

In **SIERRA LEONE** WFP provided a mobile storage unit, a 64kva generator, two ablution units, satellite phones and a tent to accommodate humanitarian responders in Kambia in support of the government response efforts, where a micro outbreak was recorded. Internet connectivity was also established. The transportation of the equipment to the site was facilitated by the Logistics Cluster.



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*The Logistics Cluster aims to report the most accurate data possible, based on the information available at the time of reporting.



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COMMON SERVICES IN GUINEA, LIBERIA AND SIERRA LEONE



UNHAS
Humanitarian Air Service

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 4,837 take-offs, transporting 26,776 passengers and 188 mt of cargo. In September 2015, UNHAS transported over 1,800 passengers and 6.3 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).

Due to poor weather conditions and reduced passenger numbers, UNHAS flights within the Ebola affected countries may be cancelled. 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.



UNHRD Humanitarian Response Depot

In September 2015, UNHRD Accra and Dubai dispatched 36.5 mt of plastic pallets and vehicles (valued at USD 103,718) to Guinea and Liberia on behalf of WFP.

Since March 2014, UNHRD has dispatched 2,282 mt of relief items and support equipment valued at USD 28.2 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 37 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, ensuring a smooth transition of the services to commercial solutions, avoiding any possible interruptions in the service. Where cases are registered, services continue to be provided. In line with this strategy, the ET Cluster in Liberia will hand over to UNDSS security telecommunications network by the end of December.

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