

LOGISTICS COORDINATION MEETING

MINUTES – 10.04.08

Date: 10 April, 2008 – 1400 hours
Location: OCHA Conference Room, UN OCHA Compound
Present: UNJLC (*Chair*), IMC, CRS, Oxfam GB, World Vision, IRC, Solidarites, UNHAS, NCA, OCHA EPR, WFP, Samaritans Purse, CARE, SC-Sweden
Next Meeting: Thursday, 08th May, 1400hrs, UNJLC Conference Room

1. Current Action Items:

<i>Action Point Summary</i>				
Issue	Responsible	Decided	Timing	Action
Air - Surface Transport Matrix for Darfur	UNJLC	10-APR	Cont'	UNJLC to publish quarterly updates of the matrix provided the demand for this product is maintained.
Logistics Coordination Questionnaire Preliminary analysis	UNJLC	10-APR	30-APR	UNJLC to disseminate final report to the humanitarian community and publish on www.unjlc.org/sudan no later than 30 April
Commodity Management Training	UNJLC	10-APR	08-May	UNJLC to discuss with WFP on the validity of reconfiguring the training to apply to NFI commodities.
RedR training Courses	UNJLC	10-APR	08-May	UNJLC to investigate logistics related training courses with RedR.
THW Workshop - Nyala	UNJLC	10-APR	08-May	UNJLC to discuss with THW on their experience in Fasher and offer to publish on the UNJLC website their letter to the NGO Community in Nyala dated 28th March 2008.
UNHAS Small Cargo Requests	UNJLC	10-APR	08-May	UNJLC to discuss small cargo bookings with UNHAS and clarify.

2. Previous Action Items

The chair opened the meeting and approved the minutes for March's meeting before proceeding to discuss the action points from March's meeting:

- **Light Vehicle Convoy (LVC)**

Confirmed West Darfur's inclusion as a destination for the proposed Light Vehicle Convoy, (LVC).

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Confirm participation of armed escorts for the LVC – To be Confirmed, (TBC).

- **Rapid Transport Market Assessment (RTMA)**

UNJLC to circulate the findings of the RTMA conducted to provide information on the reported incidence of commercial trucks being hijacked in the Darfur area. The assessment highlights the high risk areas and evaluates the impact on commercial supplies to Darfur.

http://www.unjlc.org/sudan/transport/land/UNJLC_SDN_KRT_RapidTransportMarketAssessment_080212.pdf/view

- **UNJLC/CARE Common Transport Service (CTS)**

UNJLC to disseminate UNJLC/ CARE Common Transport Service related written details and forms. Complete:

http://www.unjlc.org/sudan/transport/transport_service/view

- **UNJLC/CARE Common Transport Service (CTS)**

UNJLC to discuss with CARE about further Common Transport Services with a wider geographical scope than the extant CTS. **Complete:** CARE not able to provide a wider scope for the Common Transport Service; CARE informed participants of their funding constraints and that their pre-arranged budget line defined the service available.

3. UNJLC Rapid Assessment: Air – Surface Transportation Comparison Matrix for Darfur.

The chair introduced this recent assessment and made the following clarifications regarding the results:

- UNJLC did not intend to be involved in the interpretation of the results, simply to provide data covering both cargo and personnel transportation for Humanitarian Actors for their respective planning purposes.
- Data for this was collected between 9th and 13th of March and results were published on March 19th 2008; the reliability of the data and results are obviously time sensitive due to fluctuations in the security situation.
- UNJLC will publish quarterly updates of the matrix as long as there is sufficient demand for this type of product.
- If the option of surface transport is physically possible it does not necessarily mean that the risks involved are acceptable.
- For the difficult access routes there is a medium to high security risk. Therefore, these are left to respective organizations to decide depending on the situation, i.e. security risks maybe acceptable for cargos but not for staff.
- For air access only routes, it is implied that it is physically impossible to access this route via surface access due to security, i.e. UNDSS NO GO categorization.
- All travel is still subject to UNDSS security clearances and this remains the main mitigating factor on the issue.

The published assessment is available at:

[www.unjlc.org/sudan/transport/UNJLC_SDN_Rapid_Assessment_Air - Land Transportation Comparison Matrix_080319.pdf/view](http://www.unjlc.org/sudan/transport/UNJLC_SDN_Rapid_Assessment_Air_-_Land_Transportation_Comparison_Matrix_080319.pdf/view)

Action Point: UNJLC to publish quarterly updates of the matrix provided the demand for this product is maintained.

4. Logistics Coordination Questionnaire Preliminary Analysis Report

Participants were thanked for their contribution to this vital document. A brief background of UNJLC's logistics tasks was given along with the need for a questionnaire to frame UNJLC's logistics tasks for the future. Participants were encouraged to contribute as widely as possible to common logistics services.

Action Point: UNJLC to disseminate final report to the humanitarian community and publish on www.unjlc.org/sudan no later than 30 April

5. Update on the proposed Light Vehicle Convoy to Darfurs

A deadline for submissions was introduced as 25th April and potential users were reminded that security imperatives define the dates, locations and capacity for the proposed Light Vehicle Convoy. Also that there is a maximum capacity of 20 vehicles and places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Kindly find the following link for a brief advisory and the Convoy participation Request form: http://www.unjlc.org/sudan/transport/land/convoy_080414 Prospective participants are requested to send completed forms to sudan.logs@unjlc.org

6. CARE/UNJLC Common Transport Service (CTS) Reminder

A brief reminder was issued on the UNJLC/ CARE Common Transport Service from Khartoum to the Darfur capitals in May and June. This is a free cargo service that has previously seen immeasurable success in pre-positioning assets prior to the rainy season for the Humanitarian Community in Sudan. Full details including an advisory detailing the terms and conditions of use and the requesting documentation can be found at: http://www.unjlc.org/sudan/transport/transport_service/view Prospective participants are requested to send completed forms to sudan.logs@unjlc.org and Sarah McNeice is CARE's focal person for the CTS: sarah@sdn.care.org

7. AOB

Information Management:

Participants were encouraged to subscribe to the sudan.logs@unjlc.org forum. A blank email to sudan.logs-subscribe@unjlc.org will subscribe the senders email address.

Commodity Management Training

A question was asked on the commodity management training recently undertaken in Geneina being extended to other areas of Sudan.

WFP are running this training in other locations, however these courses are already full. UNJLC is in discussions with WFP about the feasibility of adapting this course to focus on Non-Food Item aspects and then offering the adapted version to interested participants.

Action Point: UNJLC to discuss with WFP on the validity of reconfiguring the training to apply to NFI commodities.

RedR Security Courses

CARE representative shared with the meeting the suitability of the RedR security courses for CARE's security management. RedR: <http://www.redr.org.uk/> contact details to follow: sudanadmin@redr.org

Action Point: UNJLC to discuss availability of logistics related training courses with RedR.

Common Warehousing

CARE representative inquired as to the status of a common warehouse project in Abyei, which had been proposed by UNJLC in 2007.

Since the meeting UNJLC has confirmed that a common warehouse in Abyei was established, WFP Logistics provided a rubbhall, which is managed by Save the Children US and is holding stock for SCUS, UNICEF, UNJLC and GOAL. The warehouse is currently full and has no further capacity to receive more stock.

THW Workshop - Nyala

THW – Technisches Hilfswerk, recently opened a workshop in Nyala based on their positive experience in Fasher. A question was asked on whether any participants had used and could recommend their services.

Action Point: UNJLC to discuss with THW on their experience in Fasher and offer to publish on the UNJLC website their letter to the NGO Community in Nyala dated 28th March 2008.

UNHAS Small Cargo Requests

Information was requested on the status of UNHAS cargo bookings. UNHAS was requested to inform users of any impediments to booking prior to cargos being taken to the airport.

Action Point: UNJLC to discuss with UNHAS and disseminate any results.

Meeting closed at 1520 with no further business to discuss.

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