
UNJLC-Sudan

Logistics Coordination Meeting

12 April 2007

1. Introduction

Darfur: Briefing on the joint communiqué signed by Sudan government and United Nation on March 28 to facilitate the humanitarian activities in Darfur. The English and Arabic versions are available in UNJLC website at <http://www.unjlc.org/sudan/coord/jointcommuniquedarfur> .

Participants noted the communiqué says that:

Customs

All items required for the Darfur humanitarian operation by any humanitarian agency will continue to be released from the **Customs Department** with immediate effect. All further items required for the Darfur humanitarian operation by any humanitarian agency during the period of Moratorium will be processed within seven days.

Visas

All current visas and permit, including stay visas, exit –entry visas/ permits and work permits will be extended for the full period of Moratorium. New or outstanding applications for all required visas and permits will be granted until January 2008, and will be issued within 15 days of application.

Resident international NGO staff can travel to state capitals using only their passport and the Identification Card issued by HAC at federal level. International NGO visitors can travel to state capitals with their passports and notification issued by HAC at federal level within one working day from submission. NGOs will notify state authorities of any movement outside state capitals, and will take into account the security advice of the government.

Registration

Re-registration of INGOs already operational in Darfur has been completed for the period of Moratorium, i.e. until of end of January 2008. Further re-registration and registration of all new NGOs will be facilitated through the Joint Procedures Centre within seven days of arrival.

UNJLC encouraged all agencies that have violations of the joint communiqué to report immediately to OCHA. Contacts are Celine Esposito at espositoc@un.org, Christian Smets at smets@un.org, and Barbara Manzi at manzi@un.org.

2. Air Operations

New flight schedules for UNMIS and UNHAS are published on the website (www.unjlc.org/sudan) as well as the UNHAS request form for helicopter flights.

Agencies can apply for UNMIS available spare capacity by filling out the UNMIS request form available on UNJLC website at: http://www.unjlc.org/sudan/transport/air/cargo_passenger/ and submit the form to UNJLC office for authorization and then MOVCON office at UNMIS for processing.

And also Agencies can contact UNHAS at dominic.waldron@wfp.org or Kennedy.ooro@wfp.org directly to access small cargo services. Dominic is based in Khartoum and Kennedy is based in Juba.

West Darfur helicopter user group is still working on prioritizing the UNHAS helicopter flights in Geneina. Interested agencies can contact Geneina UNJLC office.

Dangerous goods will not be allowed as personal luggage under any circumstances on WFP-HAS flight (WFP-HAS Memo has been circulated)

Due to lack of funding WFP/HAS will not have free NFI cargo flights this year.

3. Surface transport

UNJLC/ CARE are trying to identify the NGOs need for resume the FREE surface transport services to Darfur in order to preposition commodities prior the rainy season. UNJLC has sent the surface transport form through the logistics list. Interested agencies need to complete the form and submit it to unjlc.khartoum@wfp.org.

If agencies do not send the form back to UNJLC, there will be NO free surface transport to the Darfurs.

Convoy

North- South Convoy

UNJLC/UNDSS are coordinating to facilitate a light vehicle convoy from Khartoum to Juba. The aims of the mission are delivered the vehicles safety to Juba and do some road survey/GPS work for the UNJLC mapping project.

Only six vehicles are allowed to participate and UNJLC/UNDSS have three vehicles. Interested agencies should submit the convoy form to unjlc.khartoum@wfp.org. Three vehicles are available for interested NGOs.

Darfur Convoy

To date only 10 light vehicles are registered for Darfur convoy. UNJLC has planned to move the convoy in May. The convoy departure depends on the security situation of the roads and the number of the vehicles.

Agencies are invited to submit the convoy form to unjlc.khartoum@wfp.org or contact otto.bijleveld@wfp.org, tel 0912133997).

4. NFI Pipeline Update:

ROS and Darfur Common pipeline have sufficient stock.

The next NFI coordination meetings will be Thursday, 17 May at UNDP big conference room as the follows:

Darfur NFI Coordination meeting (10 am).

ROS NFI coordination meeting (11 am).

5. Returnees Update

In the returns programme managed by IOM, UNJLC is playing an advisory role and assessing transport capacity, such as passenger barges.

The organized returns movement will be slow because of rains.

6. Warehousing and Transport

To access the storage available in Juba common warehouse services need to contact UNJLC Juba office.

WFP is establishing a new rubhall in Abyei as common warehouse service.

WFP will hold the Warehouse/Pest Management training in Khartoum and Geneina. UNJLC will disseminate the WH training schedule through Sudan log list.

7. AOB

Roads:

United Nations mine action weekly sitrep (1-7 April 2007) has been circulated. For UNMAO weekly report contact lisa@udanmap.org. The most recent Sudan Land mine update map is available at sudan.map.org

Hand out on roads categorisation update in Blue Nile.

Barge:

IOM barge will arrive in Kosti soon.

The Next logistics meeting will be Thursday, 10 May at UNDP big conference room at 1400.