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LOCATION Khartoum, Sudan – online

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CHAIR Logistics Cluster

PARTICIPANTS Concern Worldwide, Chemonics, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Food Security

Sector (SFP), International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), Islamic Relief Worldwide (IRW), Norvegian Church Aid (NCA), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), World Food Programme (WFP),

Welthungerhilfe (WHH).

ACTION POINTS • Humanitarian organisations having faced customs clearance

challenges to report to Amna Osman by the end of the month.

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• UNHCR to provide information on refugee camps access in Gedaref

area.

Partners facing issues in registering or accessing WFP service market

place to contact Pamela Onyango. (pamela.onyango@wfp.org)

AGENDA

1. Logistics Needs Gaps and Challenges

2. Geneina Situation

3. Eastern Sudan - Ethiopian refugee crisis

4. AOB

1. Logistics Needs, Gaps and Challenges

- Since the rainy season has started, physical access constraints maps will be shared weekly by the Logistics Sector.
- Most of the road are still accessible. The road to Kurmuk has been affected by heavy rains and is currently inaccessible.
- Blue Nile, Sennar, Al Jazirah and Khartoum areas were being affected by floodings last year and are
 expected to experience the same access constraints during the upcoming rainy season. In Blue Nile
 especially, the main road was affected by the floods and Ad-Damazin was inaccessible for a two-weeks
 duration.
- Delays in customs clearance are still being experienced. UNICEF has 18 shipments pending for clearance. Other organisations facing or having previously faced customs clearance challenges can

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report to Amna Osman from UNICEF (amnosman@unicef.org) who will be drafting a report to OCHA to initate a discussion with the local authorities.

• No delays in obtaining transportation permits have been reported for the past few weeks. ICRC is not facing permission challenges anymore.

2. Geneina Situation

- The security situation in Geneina is calm but remains unpredictable.
- UNICEF has completed its prepositioning activities in preparation for the rainy season.
- WFP has received a request for transportation service from the Humanitarian Aid Commission (HAC) of between 80mt and 100mt of food and non-food items (NFIs) from Khartoum to Geneina.
- Concern has completed the delivery of its NFIs that were on the road to Geneina when the security incidents happened.
- Restrictions of movements in Geneina for reasons of insecurity are challenging most of the operations.

3. Eastern Sudan - Ethiopian Refugee Crisis

- UNHCR will provide updates on refugee camps access by email as soon as the information is available.
- UNICEF has completed its prepositioning activities in Kassala and Gedaref.
- Concern has received nutrition supplies from UNICEF and has already proceeded to the dispatch.
- Most of the humanitarian organisations on the ground are facing challenges due to the spread of Covid19 in the area, some operations are being suspended.

4. AOB

- WFP Service Market place is now live and all the requests will be placed in the platform.
- Partners facing issues in registering or accessing WFP service market place can contact Pamela Onyango. (pamela.onyango@wfp.org)

The next Coordination Meeting is scheduled for the 20 May at 10:00.

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