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HAITI, Port au Prince – Meeting Minutes

**LOCATION:** DPC COUN, Port-au-Prince, Haiti

**DATE:** 27 October 2016

**CHAIR:** Logistics Working Group Coordinator

**PARTICIPANTS:** ACF, Americares, Airlink, CRS, Diakonie, DKH/FLM, Haiti Communitere, Haitian Memorial Foundation, Handicap International/Atlas Logistique, J/PHRO, MAF, MedAir, NCA, PADF, OpenStreetMap, Peace Winds Japan, Premiere Urgence International, Potentiel 3.0, ShelterBox, Team Rubicon, USAID/OFDA, UNICEF.

**ACTION POINTS:**

- Handicap International/Atlas Logistique to share results of market assessment.

**AGENDA:**

1. **Access**
2. **Storage**
3. **Transport**
4. **AOB**

## 1. OVERVIEW

- DPC is working on the reception of some bilateral donations, these include a Colombian vessel that has been discharging at Dame Marie, and a Puerto Rican vessel currently in Les Cayes.
- The Government has released a list of remote areas with accessibility details.
- The Logistics Working Group is working on mapping helicopter landing zones to support organisations with transport to areas not yet accessed, particularly the mountainous area of Grande-Anse.
- Coastal areas accessible by road such as Dame Marie, which, depending on weather, is accessible with small tonnage trucks, should be deprioritised for air and sea transport.
- Mountainous areas accessibility has been assessed by some organisations' assessments, and reports and maps are expected soon.
- Organisations were told that it is important to discuss distribution plans in advance with local authorities and communities to ensure secure delivery.

## 2. STORAGE

- Organisations working in coastal areas needing storage space should contact the Logistics Working Group to explore possibilities for temporary storage.

### *Port au Prince*

- The interagency storage in the Cazeau area is receiving cargo and the space available to organisations has been doubled to 4,000 m<sup>2</sup>.

### **Les Cayes**

- The logistics base provides covered storage and additional space outside to store on platforms and pallets, as well on trucks. 5 MSUs are currently available for a total covered storage space of 1,200 m<sup>2</sup>. Two additional MSUs will be erected to reach the maximum capacity of 1,680 m<sup>2</sup>.

### **Jéremie**

- A logistics centre is being set up in Jéremie in cooperation with IOM and the Departmental authorities. Five MSUs for interagency cargo have been erected for a total capacity of 2,500 m<sup>3</sup>.
- An accommodation camp with a thirty-two person capacity has been set-up in Jéremie to offer essential support to the humanitarian community working in the area.
- In partnership with UNICEF and WHO/PAHO, temperature controlled storage has been established in Jéremie and Les Cayes starting 25 October in support of a large scale vaccination campaign for cholera.

## **3. TRANSPORT**

### **Air Transport**

- WFP operates regular flights from PaP to Les Cayes and Jéremie. The schedule is published on the dedicated webpage: [www.logcluster.org/document/haiti-flight-schedule-october-2016](http://www.logcluster.org/document/haiti-flight-schedule-october-2016).
- The helicopter based in Les Cayes is prioritised to serve areas not accessible by road. Organizations were reminded that the helicopter has sling capacity and that airdrops are possible.
- MAF operates regular flights on Tuesdays and Thursdays for passengers and cargo. Delivery of cold chain can be accommodated. Regular flights to Jéremie are operated on Mondays and Wednesdays. Additional capacity will be available in Les Cayes.

### **Road Transport**

- The Logistics Working Group has facilitated *ad hoc* requests for primary transport to support organisations in the first phase of the response, however, the focus is on transport in the affected areas, hence primary transport assistance will be discontinued.
- The off-road truck fleet deployed in Les Cayes and Jéremie will be augmented. Fifteen trucks will be available in Jéremie to serve the surrounding areas.

- Handicap International/Atlas Logistique has two teams deployed in Les Cayes and Jérémie, and they are offering support with interagency transport according to needs. Requests are managed by the Logistics Working Group using the same [Service Request Form](#). Some organisations have already used the service.
- Handicap International/Atlas Logistique has conducted a market assessment which will be shared.
- IOM has also capacity for interagency transport. The Logistics Working Group will coordinate with IOM for the use of these assets on behalf of humanitarian organisations responding to the emergency.

#### **Sea Transport**

- The Dutch Navy operations have been terminated.
- Regular coastal sea transport is available through the Logistics Working Group starting from 21 October. Two small vessels for a total capacity of 110 mt will be loading cargo in Port au Prince for deliveries to the ports in Gande-Anse and Sud.
- The next voyage is scheduled for Friday 28 October. Loading is done by the vessels' operators, while discharge is under the responsibility of the organisations.
- The following voyage is expected on Monday 31, to be confirmed.
- Handicap International/Atlas Logistique has started operating local boats to Chardonniere and Les Anglais. The service is offered to interested organisations.

#### **5. AOB**

- Organisations can submit ad-hoc requests for food and non-food items (NFIs) to reach unattended communities, by submitting the [supply request form](#) to: [haiti.clustercargo@wfp.org](mailto:haiti.clustercargo@wfp.org).
- For international cargo, WFP will not be consignee anymore. Normal customs clearance procedures are expected to be reinstated in the upcoming days.
- Open Street Map is offering capacity to conduct road accessibility assessments with geo-referenced data.

***The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 3 November 2016 at 10.00, at DPC COUN.***

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