

LOCATION: WFP Somalia Conference Room

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CHAIR: Logistics Cluster Coordinator

PARTICIPANTS: ACTED, IOM, MSF, SOS, UNHCR, UNICEF, WFP

- AGENDA:**
1. Access Constraints
 2. Roundtable discussion
 3. Humanitarian Response Plan
 4. AOB

1. ACCESS CONSTRAINTS

- The security situation especially in Bakool, Bay and Hiran regions was reported to be deteriorating. The situation in Huddur and Wajid is also reported to be tense.
- Due to the ongoing elections in Mogadishu the security situation is volatile.
- Tensions have also been reported in Galkayo following the recent clashes in the region between groups from the South and the North. The situation is being closely monitored by UNDSS.
- WFP convoy departed from Mogadishu for Baidoa on 12 October and to date they have not arrived due to security challenges. The trucks are currently on a standstill between Lego and Baledogle, about 160KM from Baidoa.
- Mandera border has been closed by the Kenyan government and curfew has been imposed in the area following recent incidents. Both commercial and humanitarian cargo movement across the border with Somalia has been affected.

2. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

- UNICEF have suspended its operations in Galkayo following UNDSS recommendation.
- WFP also planning to relocate its warehouse in Galkayo to a new site. A lease agreement has already been signed with a new company. However due to the current situation the relocation of cargo is yet to be done.
- ACTED briefed the Logistics Cluster participants on a meeting it held with GINA International whose mission is data collection through latest technology solutions among many other functions. ACTED is to send details to the Logistics Cluster to be shared with participants.
- WFP has contracted a local company to undertake an assessment on traders in Somalia. Participants interested in the information can channel their request through the Logistics Cluster.

3. HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE PLAN

- The Logistics Cluster has prepared the draft of the Logistics Cluster Response Plan for inclusion in the Humanitarian Response Plan for 2017.
- It was reiterated during the meeting that the Logistics Cluster does not foresee any need for common service. However should the need arise, a proposal will be prepared. Participants agreed to include an all-inclusive Logistics Capacity Assessment to be conducted by an external consultant.

4. AOB

The next meeting is scheduled for end-November, with the details to be shared by email.

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