LOCATION: Remote meeting

DATE: 26 January 2022

CHAIR: World Food Programme (WFP) and Première Urgence - Aide Médicale Internationale (PU-AMI)

ACTION POINTS
• The next LWG meeting will be held on 09 February at 11:00 Kabul time

AGENDA
1. Review of Previous Action Points
2. Presentation by Atlas Logistique
3. Aviation Update
4. Border Status and Customs Issues
5. Shared Resources Request
6. AOB

1. Review of Previous Action Points

• Partners expressed concerns over bureaucratic delays with Ministry of Foreign Affairs’ (MOFA) issuance of tax exemption certificates needed for importation of commodities. Partners communicated that different organizations are resorting to different engagement strategies with various ministries in efforts to shorten the lead times. WFP continues to engage with relevant actors. If and when these procedures are formalized, WFP will explore possibilities of expansion.
• ECHO Humanitarian Air Bridge (HAB) Call for Interest:
  ECHO is finalizing the arrangements for a humanitarian cargo flight from Europe to Afghanistan, tentatively scheduled for the second half of February. Departure airport has not yet been confirmed. Given final confirmation, they should have an update in the coming days. So far, interest has been expressed by Save the Children, Intersos, Emergency, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), International Rescue committee (IRC), and United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF). The contacts and details for shipment are to be established between the organizations’ HQs and the ECHO Brussels but partners can reach out to ECHO Technical Assistant Thibault Larose at (thibault.larose@echofield.eu).

2. Presentation by Atlas Logistique

Atlas Logistique is an operational unit of Humanity & Inclusion (HI) that specializes in logistics services and supply chain management for humanitarian organizations: We close the gaps in aid delivery chains so that humanitarian organizations can reach beneficiaries safely and efficiently.
Atlas Logistique is now launching an assessment mission in Afghanistan to set up logistical support services for the humanitarian community. Inputs from partners are crucial to help them assess the situation, identify the gaps, and set up the most relevant logistics services for the whole humanitarian community in Afghanistan. **Partners are requested to complete the survey by clicking on the following link: Atlas Logistique Survey.** Any question can be directed to Jerome Bertrand at (j.bertrand@hi.org) and Clement Mevel at (c.mevel@hi.org).

### 3. Aviation Update

**UNHAS Domestic** (Passenger and light cargo service)
- Passenger and light cargo services to all domestic destinations remain operational
- For more information, please visit the Humanitarian Booking Hub, the LWG Website, the UNHAS User List, or contact UNHAS Customer Service at unhas-afg.customerservice@wfp.org and khalilullah.kakar@wfp.org

**UNHAS International** (Passenger and light cargo service)
- Islamabad airbridge is operational
- Dushanbe airbridge is operational
- Doha airbridge is operational

**UNAMA** (Passenger service only)
- Almaty passenger airbridge is suspended until further notice

**Commercial** (Passenger and cargo service)
- Mahan Air is operating between Kabul, Teheran, and Mashad
- Ariana Afghan Airlines is operating between Kabul and Dubai, Riyadh, Jeddah, and Islamabad
- Kam Air is operating between Kabul and Islamabad, Abu Dhabi, Dubai, and Shanghai

### 4. Border Status and Customs Issues

#### Border Status Update

The following is the border status as of 26 January 2022:

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<td>Chaman Border (Spinboldak)</td>
<td>Pakistan/Afghanistan</td>
<td>Open for cargo/truck movements and passenger movements. Security and operations are normal due to increased gate opening hours despite congestion on both sides of the border.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Torkham Border (Jalalabad)</td>
<td>Pakistan/Afghanistan</td>
<td>Open for cargo/truck movements and passenger movements. Custom Clearance system ASYCUDA is up &amp; running. Exemption Certificates are required for crossings.</td>
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<td>Hairaton Border (Mazar)</td>
<td>Uzbekistan/Afghanistan</td>
<td>Open for cargo but fully closed to all passengers crossing to Uzbekistan since 29 October. Since 07 November, it is also closed to those going to Afghanistan. Trucks and wagons can still pass with no obstacle from both sides.</td>
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<td>Torghundi Border (Hirat)</td>
<td>Turkmenistan/Afghanistan</td>
<td>Open for cargo movements only and operating normally.</td>
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<td>Islam Qala (Hirat)</td>
<td>Iran/Afghanistan</td>
<td>Open for both cargo and passengers with valid road visas.</td>
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<td>Sher Khan Bandar</td>
<td>Tajikistan/Afghanistan</td>
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### Customs
- Torkham Border is reportedly experiencing congestion.
- Hairatan border is closed for pedestrians crossing to either direction, but is reportedly still passable for non-Afghan nationals.
- Partners are strongly encouraged to share any customs issues with the LWG.

### 5. Shared Resources Requests

- PU-AMI is looking for temperature control warehousing: Please contact Muhanad Mowafq at afg.logco@pu-ami.org
- IRC is looking for recommended suppliers for procurement: Please contact Syafrin Djalil Syafrin atDjalil@rescue.org
  - IT Equipment (Kabul)
  - Generators (Kabul)
  - Vehicles (Kabul)
  - Borehole and Well Contractor (Helmand, Badghis, Gardiz, Herat, Jalalabad, Khost, Laghman, Logar)
  - Contractor (Helmand)
- CARE Afghanistan is looking to rent 15 m² of temporary warehousing in Kabul for medical items. If your organization can assist, please contact Mohammad Anwer at mohammad.anwer@care.org.
- UNDP is looking to rent 1000 m² of warehousing in Kabul for twelve months. If your organization can assist, please contact Mohammad Hashim Hashimi at mohammad.hashim.hashimi@undp.org.
6. AOB

• Experiences with Context Sensitive Procurement: Action Against Hunger is looking to discuss partners’ experiences with local procurement over the past few months. Any partner willing to share, please contact Nirmal Dhakal at logco@af-actionagainsthunger.org.

• Afghanistan Logistics Working Group Webpage contains recent updates including minutes of previous coordination meetings, maps and other assessments which may be useful to partners.

Next LWG coordination meeting will be held on Wednesday, 09 February at 11:00 Kabul time.

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