

Shelter and Non-Food Items Cluster Meeting
Republic of South Sudan
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DRAFT Minutes of the meeting

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1. Welcome brief review of the previous minutes

- Attendees were welcomed; the previous minutes were reviewed, revisions made and endorsed.

2. Brief from the Cluster and Security Update

- The Juba airport** will be open on weekends for MedEvacs from the field, though it is not clear if that will extend to broader flights- messages have been sent that the Juba airport will close on Saturdays and Sundays starting from 22 August for about 1 year;
- Southern Unity** – access continues to be difficult and nearly impossible to secure; meeting between OCHA and UNMISS on clear divisions between roles in the area, and to ensure UNMISS monitors human rights violations- integrated missions of civilian UNMISS staff going on long range patrols with peacekeepers to ask human rights questions; this would include a journey up from Rumbek and one down from Bentiu;
- Panyikang** – security assessment mission has gone and the area might open up for actors involved in

our activities as well;

- **Fashoda** – recently opened to humanitarians; agreements have been made by actors assuring safety of beneficiaries and staff- WVI may do a survival kit operation in this area until further assurances are met; Akoka is still of limits;
- **Melut**- somewhat open – SRA was done in Melut- DSS recommended that Paloich be the operating base, despite it being very militarized;
- **Wau Shilluk** – SRA was meant to go today; massive influx of people from here are now coming in to the Malakal PoC; it is impossible to go from Malakal to Wau Shilluk, so must travel here from Juba; it was rumoured that people wishing to go from Malakal back to Wau Shilluk are being prevented from doing so, but this is unconfirmed;
- **Malakal** had been up until yesterday been cut off – UNMISS was the only way in and out of the area for about 6-8 weeks, but finally UNHAS and Logs are able to move there as well; supplies are now moving there, prioritizing fuel, water, food for the operation and beneficiaries; how the Cluster will deal with the influx is not yet clear;
- **Addis peace talks** – the IGAD agreement is meant to be signed by 17 August deadline and includes humanitarian language including access to populations, hopefully will be signed and implemented;
- **L3 status of operation in South Sudan** – the L3 designation it is expiring; discussion on keeping it going pending review in S.Sudan; questions about is it necessary; it can expedite procedures and make more funds available, but it has been a long time and these benefits are not evidence based in other examples of L3s; the HCT wants to push for an extension; will discuss this on the 26th;
- **CHF Standard Allocation 2** – the HC has approved our portfolio and proposals recommended by the Strategic Review Committee are due today.

3. Briefing by locations

Jonglei:

- **Bor POC** – Intersos will do a distribution of plastic sheets in the PoC to those households that were not already targeted earlier in the year (approx. 800 households);
- **Akobo Town** – joint needs assessment by SCI, IOM and the Cluster was delayed due to lack of security clearance for UNHAS. The exercise will take place next week;
- **Pibor** – HDC is currently waiting consignment by UNHCR so that it can distribute NFIs to 511 HHs (1,989 individuals) identified by INTERSOS as conflict IDPs from Pochalla.
- **Waat (Nyirrol county)** – INTERSOS to conduct distribution of plastic sheets (GIK from UNHCR) for most vulnerable 150 families who were missed out from registration in June (as they arrive late);
- **Lankien (Nyirrol county)** – SCI with INTERSOS identified 40 discharged patients from MSF hospital and 30 more vulnerable people for distribution of NFI; Pipeline request was approved and now INTERSOS/SCI are planning on how to bring the items to Lankien;
- **Bor Town, Panliet and Amoyok** – on August 5, South Sudan Red Cross finalised distribution for 51 HHs whose needs were identified by INTERSOS in June;
- **Walgak (Akobo county)** – SCI submitted pipeline request for 250 HHs (IDPs from Pajut), which was approved by the Cluster on Aug 3. IDPs will receive the same NFI kit distributed in Waat previously;
- **Motot (Uror county)** – NFIs for 1,733 HHs are planned to arrive by August 7;
- **Ulung, Motdit, Payai and Juet (Uror county)** – Pipeline request submitted by PAH for 2,584 HHs (conflict IDPs from Pajut) was approved, and stock is awaiting delivery to field;

- PAH would like to preposition stock to Yuai; INTERSOS MoU was signed; WFP bringing food to the location soon, ideally the distribution would take place previous to that; Logs are a bit slow these days; the lack of FSAs slowed movement for some days and there is a small backlog; Motot first in line, figuring out how to make it to Yuai;

Upper Nile:

- **Melut** – recent distribution served 700 HHs in Kor Adar- 1,374 households; not enough kitchen sets to cover the whole caseload, and plastic sheets were only enough for each HH to receive 1, and large households need more; bees were disturbing the operation in Melut so the team was unable to go for a couple days; IOM stock is being used from the warehouse there;
- **Malakal POC** – relocation has been put on hold as they are waiting on tents to arrive; working with camp management on allocating communal shelters to deal with the recent influx; plastic sheet distribution will happen once tensions and threats diminish (from community to humanitarian based on targeting methodology);
- **Barge to Malakal** – it is unclear if the river is conducive to movements of stock; SRA is being conducted and pending clearance, the barge will take off with shelter materials soon;

Unity:

- **Benitu POC** – Concern constructed 312 shelter skeletons this week; to date, 8,135 emergency shelter kits have been distributed and people relocated to the new site; NFI distribution will move forward as well and be conducted by PAH with support from Concern;
- **Pipeline to Benitu** – bamboos are arriving by air; Concern is procuring grass for robust shelters;
- **Pariang** – LWF went in this week; the road is open – apparently people have moved Eastwards; IDPs are moved into the bush; barely any people were found; situation should be monitored; NFIs previously distributed were left behind when people ran into the bush and are visible in the area;

Lakes:

- **Rumbek** – Caritas has 500 NFI kits positioned in Rumbek;
- **Rumbek (survival kit operations)** – 1 IOM staff is currently in Rumbek organizing survival kits packing and coordination for delivery to future locations;

Western Equatoria:

- **Mundri West** – the WVI team came back from verification exercise and registered 4,002 HHs in Mundri West and 2,198 in Mundri East; accessibility is an issue if we want to take supplies to those locations and will be discussed; some stock exists in Mundri West for approx.. 1300 HHs, LCED and WVI to coordinate the sharing and provision of this stock;
- **Yambio and Maridi** – UNHCR is providing NFI in these locations, details need confirmation;

Warap:

- **Gogrial West** – Assessment conducted a week ago- insecurity arose; not been able to organize for a distribution; various partners have the stocks in the area;

Eastern Equatoria:

- **Torit** - UNHCR is handing over NFIs to NCA soon; stock is enough for 4000 IDPs if necessary;

Abyei:

- **Diffra** – Cordaid has prepositioned 600 kits in Abyei; previous distribution details to be shared.

