

Shelter and Non-Food Items Cluster Meeting Republic of South Sudan Thursday, 20 August 2015 16:00 – 17:30, Main Conference Room 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

Security

- Juba to Nimule road is closed for movement due to some fighting recently;
- Juba security is relatively calm this week in the city, 2 robberies of UN staff have taken place, not many compound break ins recently reported;
- Yambio- situation is stabilizing there and people are reported to be returning to the area; airport is under renovation though so some delays in flight may be expected;
- Leer Town reportedly has seen fighting, and streams of people are coming from Leer down into



locations such as Nyal and Ganyiel – close to 24,000 people reported, mostly in Nyal town not on the islands like a couple months ago; SPLA in control but being contested;

- Recent fighting reported in Yida near Pariang;
- No SRAs have been conducted this past week seems like in the future, DSS will not be conducting
 these, but Partners on the ground will be doing so; OCHA will circulate a document with procedures
 and how to do this to Clusters, and we will share that with Partners;
- 4 Governors were sacked on Sunday evening, possibly 2 additional but info is unclear- (Warrap;
 NBEG; Upper Nile; West, Central and Eastern Equatoria) this caused some security concerns in Juba on Monday but no incident has taken place;
- Addis Peace Talks- not much indication about if Kiir will sign on behalf of the government; Amum and Machar signed for the SPLM and SPLM-IO; Kiir has asked for 15 more days and further sanctions are on the table if he fails to do so; If Kiir signs, it could lead to increased conflict as there are various actors on both sides of the conflict who are firmly opposed to the contents of the deal and have threatened violence if it is to be signed; IGAD is proposing to dismantle the red burets from 4000 to 200 soldiers only- unclear where the remaining soldiers will deploy; payment of salaries on both sides and issue that could also escalate violence; both sides of the conflict seem to be fractured and to what extent there is actually command and control over the forces in the field is unclear;
- SPLM has issued a call for 1 million people to protest in Juba tomorrow against the signing of the peace agreement so the city may be tense.

Other Updates

- ICWG has endorsed a special mission focused on protection fact finding to S.Unity (Mayendit, Koch and Leer Counties) to assess and recommend how partners can engage to address needs without putting people (population and humanitarians) in danger; Partners already working on the ground to participate in this mission; Possible engagement modalities will be thought out for each location, including pros and cons of each- can do: large several days long distributions; or small short 1 hour distributions in multiple locations; or flood the area with humanitarians and full programs; or facilitate peoples own movement to a dedicated/central place to provide assistance to everyone coming from various areas; or finally, do nothing no assistance.
 - Currently a desk review taking place of the info already available on the 3 counties; the team will seek to gather info on whatever gaps appear to exist;
- OCHA will be reviewing the HNO as well as the Country Contingency Plan
 - As part of the HNO they are increasingly interested in what information about needs is available across the country; they asked Clusters to list locations that have received an assessment since the beginning of Crisis- the next step is to try to identify where needs exist
 - To this end they want our Partner's needs assessments to be shared more widely with other Clusters and Actors; this will require some thought as sometimes the information collected at assessments is sensitive and could be misused; the Cluster is happy to share assessment information but may be selective about which info to share if it is sensitive;
 - Contingency Plan- Political worst case scenario is already happening; Economic WCS is to a lesser extent; Triggers of when we activate different operation modalities will be revised to be more specific; Generally the thoughts are that the situation is generally worsening and depending on the results of the Addis Peace Talks, we may see more of the WCS triggers activated, and our operations may start to be affected;
- Cluster needs assessment triggers tool A Cluster and IOM team attempted to test the Cluster's newly developed assessment tool on a mission in Akobo, meant to indicate more objectively where distributions should be triggered; however due to security the team failed to access the locations where IDPs were staying; the team will plan another mission to test the tool.



3. Briefing by locations

Jonglei:

- Bor POC 2400 individuals, 1100 families received in a plastic sheet distribution for all people in the POC; some plastic sheets were stolen; many cards with IDPs not listed came to pick, need to sort it out with ACTED;
- Pibor IDPs from Pochalla coming in; strong NFI need; list of people displaced from Pochalla is with HDC;
- Twic East and Duk- still difficulty understanding the 38,000 IDPs figure in Duk; no Partner has verified this number of IDPs; we are not sure where this number has come from; Bor authorities possibly; people are coming from Uror and Ayod- LWF is reliant on CRS for information as access to the area is difficult; need an air asset to go in; Bor level Cluster meeting will address this; OCHA needs to talk to CRS to get the numbers;
- Uror County- INTERSOS and PAH- Motot- report will be shared, distribution completed;
- Yuai- Ulang Payie, Madit and Juet; prepo nearly completed; want to combine it with some other
 activities and this is moving by PAH's own assets and should be completed in 2 days 2584 HHs will
 be targeted;
- Waat Unicef funded plastic sheets distribution planned for 150 families;
- Lankien MSF discharges from the hospital receiving NFI; new IDPs coming to the area from Pajut;
 SCI to conduct assessment of these cases next week;
- Walgak NFI request for 250 HHs from Pajut- Logs Cluster is sending, distribution pending delivery;
- Akobo rescheduled assessment should take place next week; IMC Oxfam, IOM SCI conducted initial assessment – 3900 HHs to be verified;
- **Pochalla** info about conflict here ongoing for more than 1 month- IRNA by OCHA may move forward to this location; may need to move forward here;
- **Nyandin** NFI response completed this past week; team is stuck there;
- New Fangak- IRNA went to 2 bomas- Witchmon and Baum Boma- couldn't identify who is IDP and who is host; Witchmon- clear presence of IDPS; New Fangak Town- permanent structures completely destroyed; there are also returnees; IDPs are from Pigi and Unity State; 4800 HHs reported; many are IDPs who came to NF and have not yet returned home over 3000 HHs; all figures given by local authorities;

Upper Nile:

- Malakal PoC 12,000 IDPs have come in to the POC since the start of August; CCCM set up a
 contingency space, working on raising the ground level; 600 plastic sheets have been distributed thus
 far; handing over communal shelter materials to DRC to house incoming people;
- Wau Shilluk: UNICEF RRM mission completed in Wau Shilluk- 23,000 people registered so far by WFP- distribution of WASH NFIs including buckets and jerry cans and 2272 survival kits will be distributed along with food by WFP today or tomorrow;
- Aburoc and Fashoda- 1000 survival kits went in, more locations to be served in the area in the coming days;
- **Nyluak IRNA (Panyikang)** 15,441 people across 14 bomas, number from the authorities; large numbers of people, as well in the surrounding areas seen from the air by the team; the area is abnormally dry which will affect food stocks of the population; host and IDPs and returnees together; returning from insecurity from last year; no functional market; fishing kits are recommended; shelter NFI people starting to rebuild- sleeping mats, blankets soap and mos nets

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recommended; potential limited window of access may exist so is a survival kit appropriate- if we have more access we can do more robust response;

Unity:

- **Bentiu POC** shelter situation has changed; IOM site planning has said there will be no more site development until the next dry season; going to have to adjust shelter implementation strategy as a result; plan to get 11052 robust shelters constructed; plus 2700 emergency shelters in the contingency site; Concern have stopped building and are looking at other modalities; MSF headcount has put the population at 120,000;
 - PAH and Concern- some loose NFI are still en route to the POC, but the unlandable airstrip
 has delayed this; need to pack the kits and this will take a while; distribution may start on
 the 31^{st;}
- Rubkona County 2 FSL missions showed some NFI needs;
- Nyal an assessment was carried out by national NGO in Panyijar24,000 individuals estimated to be
 present and have come from Leer Town; Cordaid has 750 kits to respond there, other Partners
 interested in assessing and responding there as well in coming weeks;

Central Equatoria:

- Juba IDP locations Assessment planned by inter-agency Urban Actors group for IDP populations;
 Medair to update with results;
- Juba Airport will be closed on weekends for the next 1 year;

Lakes

Survival kits are being packed in Rumbek – 4000 out of a total target of 30,000 already packed;

Western Equatoria:

Iba and Maridi – HCR distributed NFI kits to 4553 households;

Abyei:

Distribution to 433 households conducted, they are IDPs from Unity and Warrap;

4. AOB

■ Taka Nakahara of Intersos will be leaving South Sudan; Mattia Cucchi will take over as state focal point in Jonglei, and his email address will be: nfis.jonglei.south.sudan@intersos.org.