

**DRAFT-Minutes of the Inter-Agency Logistics Meeting 27th. June 2008.**  
**@10-00hrs/ W.F.P. Offices. 6 , Josephs Lane, Colombo 04.**

ATTENDANCE.

Meeting was opened and chaired by Gerry Kelly, W.F.P.

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**1. UNHAS Activities - Update.**

Sebastian Nowak, UNHAS, re-presented a detailed update on the UNHAS activities as at that date. UNHAS has obtained a blanket clearance from MoD and can thus fly all destinations on any given day.

Till date, UNHAS has received 4 bookings

The aircraft, is a Beechcraft 200, with seating for 8 passengers, *or* a cargo capacity of 1000KG.

The price per flight has been fixed at USD300/leg, cargo will be charged at USD3/KG.

Luggage per passenger not to exceed 20KG

First test flights will commence on arrival of the Aircraft in early/mid-July.

**2 FUEL QUOTA PROBLEMS UN AGENCIES & INGO's.**

All UN agencies and NGO's continue to have difficulties in obtaining Fuel for their operations in the Wannu. WFP Logistics Officers have submitted the request for August 2008 and the request for September is ready to be submitted. UNDSS has requested an additional 300 litres of diesel for own operations in the Wannu. Till date, the request of IOM has not been honoured by CGES, a meeting will be held with Mr. Divaratne to discuss this soonest.

**3. Colombo Convoy Loading/ Sealing Procedure.**

The newly introduced procedures were explained in detail, to reiterate: Any organization wishing to dispatch towards the north of Medawachichya checkpoint must approach their own line ministry, which in turn will have to seek the approval of CGES. Once Approval has been granted, CGES will inform JoH which in turn will inform the SFHQ – loading is now approved and can commence. In case of sealing of convoys (through WFP Special Operation), JoH will inform the army unit nearest to the warehouse in question to assist. Various informed sources with whom the meeting participants had met recently, have indicated that nothing will be allowed into the Wannu for the next two months, though no official announcement has been issued by any of the Ministries on this rumor.

**4. Cluster approach.**

The idea behind the so-called cluster approach was explained by the WFP Logistics Officer in details, the pro's and con's were highlighted.

All attendees and other interested groups, are requested to return to their respective organizations and have in-house discussions whether to implement the cluster system or not. The issue will be brought up at the next IA logs meeting.

**5. AOB.**

The present security situation in the Wannai was up for discussion. The SLA is advancing towards the north and according to rumours, could reach Kilinochchi within months, thus creating a situation whereby thousands of IDPs would become caught in between the fighting parties. It is not seen as likely that the SLA will allow any IDPs to move south of the battle lines for fear of LTTE cadres hiding amongst these.

This scenario necessitates forward planning from the UN and NGO side in order to have as much food as well as NFRI present in the Wannai as possible within a short period of time. A conservative estimate of "second displacement" IDPs is around 129.000 individuals.

Solidar reported having a number of trucks available in the Wannai area to be used in case of emergency transport of food and non-food relief items.

ICRC reported that movement west of the A9 is becoming more and more restricted and will continue so for the next couple of months. According to information received, this is due to the continued move of the SLA as well as the continued artillery barrages and SLAF sorties into this area.

**6.** There being no further business, the meeting was concluded at 11:00HRS

**7. Date of Next Meeting.**

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