

**Colombo Interagency Logistics Meeting - Minutes**  
**28<sup>th</sup> September 2007 – WFP Logistic Offices – 10 am**

**Attending:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Org</b>
Mads Vejstrup	WFP
A. Kamubranthasormu	UNDP
Olivier Delachaux	ICRC
Christopher Randeniya	STCiSL
Prasad Dilrukshana	FAO
Kapila Senanayake	CARE
Roshan Silva	UNHCR

**1. Opening**

The meeting was informed about the imminent arrival of the WFP chartered vessel (MV Ruhuna) at Jaffna.

**2. NFI**

It was agreed that WFP will again take the lead in approaching CGES to obtain permission for NFI's destined for both the Vanni and Jaffna peninsula, thus all organisations having NFI needs in either place, must forward their request to WFP NLT Friday by COB in order for these to be consolidated and handed over to CGES by Monday afternoon.

**3. Transportation**

**- Overland**

Once again, the WFP SO was mentioned to the participants. All relevant documents will be circulated again soonest.

Meduwachi checkpoint continues to be a problem with off-loading/loading of trucks. WFP is transporting in sealed trucks when using own fleet, therefore no problems at this checkpoint, except excessive waiting time. However, when using private fleet, some loss has been incurred during off/re-loading of the trucks.

**- Sea**

No green light has been received, till date, for the loading/departure of the next vessel for Jaffna. WFP to follow up.

Mahash Green Line Shipping Company has quoted a price of USD75/MT + vat for sea transports to Jaffna.

**- Air**

NTR

**4. Communications.**

Still problems in having comms equip releases from customs. SCF in dire need of 4 HF stations, which are not available in the local market.

Sat Phones are available in the local market, but illegal to possess and use!!

#### **5. Fuel for the Vanni**

September ration transported.

#### **6. AOB.**

A proposal for one additional national staff member to be part of the IA logistics group. This staff member would be tasked with (amongst others):

- Minutes of meetings
- Writing up documents for the attention of IA Logs Members
- Preparing documents for the attention of various ministries, etc.

This staff member would be paid in equal parts by the participants of the IA logs group.

**The next meeting will be at 10 am, Friday 10<sup>th</sup> of October, in the WFP logistic offices, 3A Flower Ave, Colombo 7.**