

## **NFIs/Logistics Meeting – Minutes**

### **2 March 2016, 12:00, UNHCR office**

**ATTENDEES: UNHCR, Samaritan's Purse, NRC, Hellenic Red Cross**

#### **Actions points from previous meeting**

**\* MDM Provision of powder milk to WAHA and other medical actors for distributions:**

HRC informed that their policy is not in line with distribution of baby powder milk, but further communication with their HQ will take place and they will revert back on this. Waha and Military medical team do not have the capacity to do it, as stated in the latest Medical Coordination Meeting. MDM is the only actor that has and distributes baby powder milk in Vial.

**\* Emergency food distributions in Vial:**

Emergency food kits by UNHCR and Apostoli are now distributed outside warehouse 1 and not inside the registration area, because there were problems with the oil pouring out of the been/tuna cans. No update about procedures for food distribution or hot food provision by Vial Coordination.

**\*Tracking on NFIs distributions, particularly clothing:**

UNHCR explained that NRC distribution officers have established a system of tracking the items taken from the warehouse 3, where UNHCR clothing/footwear is basically stored, to the clothing boutique in Vial. They fill a form each time they take items, writing down the type and the number of items transferred to the boutique. Those items are reported to UNHCR as distributed.

**\*Stock counting:**

Due to SP's (as an implementing partner) engagement to UNHCR to provide UNHCR with detailed data regarding NFIs and food kits distributions, SP will now start count the UNHCR items stored in Vial on a daily basis – in line with their systematic NFIs distributions data collection in Souda. NRC strongly expressed the intention to keep doing daily stock counting, stating that NRC is responsible for the clothing/footwear boutique and they need to keep doing stock counting as well, considering the logistics/storage challenges. NRC added emphatically that they have been doing daily stock count in Tabakika and the Port and that they will still keep doing, as they operate in those two sites. It was clarified that all actors have access to the UNHCR NFIs stock and that all can do stock count under the common operation purposes – however, SP is responsible for delivering to UNHCR detailed reporting regarding UNHCR NFIs distributions. SP added that a solution will be found out, in case there is discrepancy in stock counts.

#### **Reconsider using one of Vial storage spaces only for UNHCR items, given that additional space is now available (NRC containers)**

Another action point for UNHCR, SP and NRC in the last meeting was to check which warehouse in Vial out of the three would be better for clothing/footwear storage: a mission took place on 25/2 and agencies considered using storage 2 for blankets, other basic NFIs and emergency food kits, while storage 3 would be used for clothing (the right side would be used

for agency clothing, the left side would be used for volunteers' contribution clothing). UNHCR opened again the discussion, exploring the option of the warehouse 2 to be used only for UNHCR items, in order for the tracking required to be less complicated. NRC insisted in the joint character of all the storage spaces in the emergency exit area and UNHCR agreed to go on with the current arrangement for the moment. NRC added they brought one container in Vial (registration area), but they were asked by First Reception Service to move it: its final placement is not yet defined. NRC confirmed that this one is a joint container.

### **Distribution challenges/updates in the constantly changing context of Vial**

Regarding distribution of basic NFIs in Vial, UNHCR informed that this will take place in the accommodation containers area, between the main entrance and the new registration area entrance. Refugees will receive items upon the arrival, once they receive the bracelet – this will also facilitate the flow. Two doors will be open in the fencing, in order for refugees to get in the containers area, get food kits or NFIs, then exit and enter the registration area. Two or one and the half containers in the accommodation area will be given by the First Reception Service to the distribution teams. NRC and UNHCR highlighted the issue of the storage spaces being far (near the emergency exit) for the new distribution point. Lack of staff for distributing NFIs was also mentioned. HRC said they could consider plug-in their volunteers in the distribution teams. HRC said they have around 100 volunteers on the island, while approximately 10-20 are stand by. **Action:** HRC to further explore this possibility.