



**MEETING OF THE SEA USERS' GROUP  
HELD AT WFP SHIPPING SERVICE OFFICE  
JL.JEND. SUDIRMAN No.: 15, GEUCEU – BANDA ACEH  
ON  
19 MAY 2006 AT 11:00 HRS**

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**ITEM 1: Adoption of minutes from 5 May meeting:**

Jens Baekholm opened the meeting and the previous minutes were adopted for the record.

**ITEM 2: Declaring the right tonnage and measurements:**

Jens stressed the importance of declaring the proper tonnage and measurements when booking cargo. This information is important for making a proper stowage plan as well as justifying funding for the operation, as this is reliant on the amount of cargo we move. Agencies should pay particular attention to the physical measurements of the cargo when booking.

**ITEM 3: Cargo Movement Request (CMR) Review:**





Zhen-Zhen briefed the group about changes that have recently been made to the CMR. A section has been added to indicate whether the booking is new, a revision or a cancellation. This will assist WFPSS to ensure that there are no double bookings. In addition, agencies are requested to include the date of submission and are advised that the request will be automatically cancelled one month after the Date of Cargo Readiness if the cargo is not delivered. She also requested that agencies number the CMRs if they have multiple bookings.

The number of users for WFP Shipping Service's has increased from 57-60 users.

#### **ITEM 4: Report of vessels currently on charter:**

Joergen briefed the group on current vessel positions as follows:

- L/C Labrita Hanny loading in Nias today
- L/C Labrita Nakita is running the Sibolga – Nias ferry service
- L/C Pacific Spirit is en route to Sinabang to discharge and will then return to Belewan
- L/C Son Bak 202 loading for her next call in Calang
- L/C Sumber Power is in Belewan and delayed due to bad weather. Her next call will be Sinabang
- L/C Daily Express is in Ulee Lhue unloading and will then proceed to Belewan
- L/C Niaga Jaya is en route to Ulee Lhue.
- The coaster, Prima Samdura, is fully loaded with timber and awaiting necessary forestry documents before sailing to Gn. Sitoli

#### **ITEM 5: First cargo to be shipped out of Jakarta**

a) Jens announced that WFPSS has chartered two new vessels that will be loading in Jakarta. He urged all agencies to advise WFPSS if they have cargo in their pipeline from Jakarta in the coming months as we will be loading Timber out of Kalimantan every 14 days. Provided there is a large enough load (min 150 – 200 tons) out of Jakarta we can pick up the cargo. In addition we are planning to charter another coaster from mid-July but if agencies have timber to load before that time period we can charter the coaster sooner.

He clarified that if there is enough cargo out of Jakarta we can continue to serve the port as we presently have a Port Captain, staff to arrange for fuelling, agents and stevedores. He urged agencies to send their pipeline forecasts for planning purposes.

b) The meeting chair explained that from this point on we will be measuring total cargo shipped in Revenue Tonnes rather than MT/Meters<sup>3</sup>. This will allow us to more accurately reflect the amount of cargo moved since we rarely receive both figures from agencies. Revenue tonnes = metric tonnes or cubic metres, whichever is bigger .





- c) WFPSS currently has 6,000 RT confirmed in the pipeline, with potential cargo shipments totalling 31,000 RT.
- d) WFPSS in conjunction with THW will be repairing the LCT ramp in Meulaboh as the Sumber Power will call there on approximately June 5<sup>th</sup>. A new jetty has already been built therefore the coaster can call Meulaboh if the need arises.
- e) The chair introduced Mischa Rychener, the new Marketing Officer. She urged the group to spread the word about the shipping service to other agencies and local partners as it is beneficial to the entire humanitarian community.
- f) The team has updated the website to make it more user-friendly. Look for additions in the coming weeks including a feedback page, bulletins etc...
- g) Joergen reminded users that we have a mobile crane with a capacity of 25 MTs available for use.

### **ITEM 6: AOB**

- a) R. Velu (British Red Cross) introduced a new member of their logistics team. He asked the group what the progress was concerning the set up of the warehouse in Belewan. Jens told him that Chris Clark, Senior Shipping Officer in Medan, is negotiating the contract and the warehouse will be ready in approximately 2 weeks time.
- b) Sebastien from Atlas Logistique told the group that they currently have space available transit warehouses for the storage of cargo as follows:
  - Banda Aceh - 200 m<sup>3</sup>
  - Calang (Rigai) 240 m<sup>3</sup>
  - Meulaboh 400 m<sup>3</sup>

Materials can be stored for a maximum of one month.

In addition, Atlas Logistique has three boats that sail from Banda Aceh to Pulo Aceh, Lamno, Calang, Meulaboh and Simeulue Island. In Simeulue AL have two boats to go around the island.

In Aceh Jaya AL have a speed boat that can be used for medivac by medical NGO (with 10 pax capacity).

- c) British Red Cross advised the group that they have procured 500,000 cinder blocks, 250,000 of which will be ready in approximately two weeks time. Mr. Velu asked if they could be discharged south of Calang. Joergen explained that it was unlikely therefore discharge would take place in Calang. The two parties agreed to discuss it further after the meeting.





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d) Sebastien from Atlas Logistique told the group that he had received a request from MSF for transport from Jakarta to Sigli and wanted to know if it was possible for WFPSS to serve this route. Jens told him that an assessment may have to be done as we have not called there before but anything is possible. The two parties should discuss this and another transport request after the meeting.

e) One participant asked how long the LCT can standby in a location for discharge. Jens told the group that the turnaround has to be quick therefore we are on the market for some barges that can be used to link the LCTs to the shore. To date we have not been able to find any suitable ones on the market however the shipping service will continue searching.

Jens thanked all participants for joining the meeting and closed with the reminder that the next meeting will be held in two weeks time.

