Highlights

- **WFP plans distributions in Wau Shuluk and Aberoc next week.** On 06 August, the Security Risk Assessment was completed for Wau Shuluk and Aberoc (both in Upper Nile), with 1.5 mt of High Energy Biscuits distributed concurrently. WFP’s NGO partner, World Vision will conduct food distributions in Aberoc and WFP will deploy a Rapid Response Mission team for food distributions in Wau Shuluk on 12 August. Other humanitarian partners will also deploy teams to these locations. WFP has not been able to provide food assistance to Wau Shuluk since July 2014.

- **Ban on barge Nile movements lifted.** In a letter dated 03 August, the Government lifted its ban on barge movements along the Nile river, specifically to Malakal, which has been in place since 13 July. With barges transporting 1,400 mt on average per journey and the population in the Malakal POC influx, it will be crucial to maintain river access during the rainy season. The WFP barge currently in Malakal will start its voyage back to Bor, with UNMISS Force Protection, for further loading as soon as possible.

- **Re-starting of fixed wing flight to Malakal.** Since the end of June, flights to Malakal airstrip have been interrupted due to insecurity and a lack of Flight Safety Assurances. As a result, WFP, UNHAS and the Logistics Cluster have had to rely on helicopters landing on the UNMISS compound (with greatly reduced capacity for cargo and passengers). This week, the Flight Safety Assurances were granted for Malakal and use of the airstrip was cleared. One UNHAS flight, with 28 passengers, arrived on the airstrip 07 August.

- **Launch of National Girls’ Education Strategy.** On 07 August, the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology hosted the launch of the National Girls’ Education Strategy at Gudele Primary School in Juba. WFP, as a partner in the development of the strategy paper was represented by its Deputy Country Director (Operations) during the ceremony. WFP’s Food for Education programme provides school meals to schoolchildren in selected schools across the country as well as Girls’ Incentive take-home rations to female pupils, to encourage female school attendance.

WFP Response

**Food and Nutrition Assistance**

- WFP and Cooperating Partners’ teams completed distributions in Juaibor, Mogok, Old Fangak, Walgak (Jonglei) and Riang (Upper Nile).

- Teams are currently deployed in Pieri, Mwort Tot, Puitruk (Jonglei), Ulang, Ying, Nyangore, Kiechkuon and Gai reang (Upper Nile).

- The next deployments are planned for Gorwai, Nyanapal, Pahtal, Keew, Nyambor, Katdalok, Jiech, Pochalla, Haat, Pagill, Wai, Paguer, New Fangak, Lankien (Jonglei), Wau Shuluk, Aberoc, Gum and Mading (Upper Nile).

**Logistics**

- Discharge of 1,400 mt of commodities from the barge that arrived in Malakal on 05 July started on 07 July and was completed on 29 July. With the recent lift of the barge movement ban, the barge will soon return to Bor for further reloading.

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**In numbers**

1.5 million IDPs (OCHA estimates)

612,000 displaced outside South Sudan (UNHCR estimates)

166,100 seeking shelter with the UN (UNMISS estimates)

4.6 million projected to remain in emergency or crisis level food insecurity from May to July 2015 (IPC, May 2015)
Logistics continued...

- The population in the Bentiu POC has risen sharply from about 45,000 to more than 125,000 people. As a result, prepositioned cereals and pulses there are depleting much quicker than anticipated and pipeline breaks are expected after September 2015. Airdrops will be undertaken to bridge the gap. An IL-76 positioned in Wau will be used to conduct two to three rotations per day for up to 14 days, for a total delivery capacity of 60-90 mt.
- In case of delays, WFP will use its Mi-26 positioned in Rumbek with the total capacity of 24 mt per day (at two rotations daily).
- Since 1 January 2015, WFP has dispatched 159,103 mt of food commodities, of which a total of 32,053 mt has been airtifted or airdropped within South Sudan and from Ethiopia.

Special Operations

Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster

- Since the last reporting period, FSL partners deployed a cold chain technician to Bentiu for installation of two solar powered refrigerators for livestock vaccines. Partners’ cold chain officers are currently finishing the construction and re-building of the country’s central cold chain at the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Tourism, Animal Resources and Fisheries in Juba.
- FSL partners’ Monitoring and Evaluation teams are conducting post-planting assessments in Warrap, Jonglei and Northern Bahr el Ghazal.

Logistics Cluster

- The Logistics Cluster airlifted 56 mt on behalf of eight partners to Bentiu-Rubkon, Ganyiel, Malakal, Nyadin, Old Fangak, and Poktap this week.
- The Malakal-bound Logistics Cluster barge remains loaded and on stand-by in Bor, awaiting confirmation regarding the schedule for UNMISS escorts on the Nile river.
- The Logistics Cluster commenced priority cargo deliveries to Malakal using two Mi-8 helicopters. Helicopter rotations with life-saving cargo will continue until the Cluster is able to deliver to the Malakal airstrip with fixed wing aircraft.
- Operations this week were constrained due to a lack of security clearances in Jonglei, resulting in several cancelled helicopter rotations.
- Heavy rains continue to impede physical access throughout the country. The latest Access Constraints map can be found here: http://www.logcluster.org/map/access-constraints-map-31-july-2015

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)

- Following the deactivation of data connectivity services in three sites (including Juba UNMISS and Yida this week) the ETC is currently operating seven data connectivity sites across the country, prioritizing Unity and Jonglei states.
- In Bentiu, a three-week mission to provide on-site ICT support and system monitoring services to all humanitarian and improve the data connectivity services is ongoing.
- A comprehensive radio training will be provided to humanitarians responding in the area. Partners in this location have identified emergency telecommunications awareness as a priority.
- The ETC deployment mission to Akobo planned for this week has been postponed to next Monday due to unavailability of seats on the flights.

UN Humanitarian Air Service

- UNHAS facilitated special missions for WFP/Cooperating Partners’ Rapid Response Mobile team deployments in and out of Juaibor, Dome, Wau Shilluk, Riang, Ying, Kiechkuon, Mading, Gai reang, and Gum.
- UNHAS transported 1,343 passengers and 11.5 mt of light cargo during the reporting period.
- Flights to Malakal were cancelled until Friday this week due to lack of Flight Safety Assurances.
- UNHAS facilitated nine medical evacuations to Wau out of Nzara, Ajoung Thok, Yida, Pibor and Aweil for UNHCR, UNICEF and WFP.
- UNHAS facilitated the reunification of two children to their parents in Juba from Malakal on behalf of UNICEF.
- This week 408 passengers were affected by cancellations: 231 due to lack of Flight Safety Assurances, 146 due to limited capacity, 35 due to heavy rain and wet airstrips, ten due to operational reasons/cut-off time and seven due to no contact on ground to provide weather/security information.

Feeder Roads

- The contract for construction works on the Kuajok–Lunyaker road (50 km | Warrap) was signed by the contractor on 03 August. The planned start of mobilisation is September 2015 and construction works are expected to commence in October 2015, at the end of the rainy season.
- On 07 August, the Feeder Roads team launched its request for proposals for Design Review and Construction Supervision of the Kuajok Bridge (Warrap).
- A monitoring visit to the Pageri–Magwi road (65 km | Eastern Equatoria) took place 06-07 August. Works on Lot 1 are nearing substantial completion.
- Works are progressing well on the Ame–Ame Juba road junction (14 km | Eastern Equatoria). Bush clearing has reached Kilometer 6.4, road formation is at Kilometer 5 and three culverts have been installed so far.
- A progress review meeting took place on the Kworijik–Tendere–Buko road (50 km | Central Equatoria) project site on 28 July with representatives from Government and the International Fund of Agricultural Development (IFAD), the Contractor and WFP. Works are ongoing on this road, though heavy rainfall has slowed progress and fuel shortages continue to be a challenge. In an effort to accelerate the works the contractor is employing a second working unit.
- Preparations for a refresher training of enumerators for M&E baseline and follow-up surveys for various road projects are underway. The training is scheduled for mid-August and surveys will be conducted immediately after.
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Resourcing Update

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*Operations in the table are set to end in 2015. Shortfall information is to the end of 2015.
**Current EMOP closing 30 September, new EMOP is under revision
Feeder Roads operations has a budget of US$167.3 million, with a shortfall of US$73.6 million

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