

Mali – Complex Emergency

ETC Situation Report #31

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Highlights

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Cluster Responsibilities

- WFP is leading ETC activities in Mali with responsibility for coordination, implementation and overall operation support for common ICT services.

Achievements

- An EMC VSAT has been installed in Mopti. The ETC Response Solution, consisting of technologies from emergency.lu and Ericsson Response, will be demobilised and shipped out.
- Ericsson Response have offered support with the provision and installation of WIDER 3 software if it is required for potential deployment to Kidal.
- New radio operators have been identified and have passed a written examination. They will be deployed to Kidal, Gao and Timbuktu, security permitting.
- An assessment has been conducted in Kidal for potential deployment. However this is dependent on the security situation.

Challenges and Gaps

- The security situation in northern Mali remains precarious and deployment of UN staff is restricted.
- Lack of funding means ETC activities may not be extended beyond March.



Planned Activities

- Deployment to Kidal is still planned, however this may not happen until the end of March due to the security situation. It is also dependent on funding.

Meetings

Global ETC teleconference

The next Global ETC teleconference on Mali will be held:

Tuesday 4th March, 2014:

0900 New York

1400 UTC

1400 Bamako

1500 Rome/Geneva

1800 Dubai

Acronyms

EMC	Emerging Markets Communications satellite company
ETC	Emergency Telecommunications Cluster
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization
HF	High Frequency
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
UNDSS	United Nations for Safety and Security
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNFPA	United Nations Population Fund
UNHCR	United Nations Refugee Agency
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
UTC	Coordinated Universal Time
VHF	Very High Frequency
VSAT	Very Small Aperture Terminal
WFP	UN World Food Programme
WIDER	Wireless LAN in Disaster and Emergency Response

All information related to ETC operations in Mali can be found at: www.ETCluster.org

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