

**Sudan Country Office
Special Operation 200470**

**Logistics Augmentation and Coordination in support of
Humanitarian Operations in South Kordofan (01 November – 31 December 2012)**

B/R No: 1

31 October 2012

BUDGET REVISION OF SO FOR THE APPROVAL OF COUNTRY DIRECTOR

	<u>Initials</u>	<u>In Date</u>	<u>Out Date</u>	<u>Reason For Delay</u>
<u>ORIGINATOR</u>				
Country Office
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Chief, RMBP
<u>INFORMATION</u>				
Chief, ODLT
Director, ODL
<u>APPROVAL</u>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Country Director

PROJECT				
	Initial Budget		Revision	New Budget
ODOC US\$	245,429	-	(123,489)	121,940
DSC US\$	69,313		42,365	111,678
ISC US\$	22,032	-	(5,679)	16,353
Total WFP cost (US\$)	336,774	-	(86, 803)	249,971

<u>TYPE OF REVISION</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension in time

<u>NATURE OF REVISION:</u>
A revision is proposed for Special Operation (SO) 200470 in order to extend the project for an additional two months, from 01 November until 31 December 2012. It also reflects a budget adjustment for a total reduction of USD 86,803.
<u>Background</u>
The overall concept of the SO remains the same with the following two components:

1) **Provision of logistics common services:** logistics augmentation (temporary logistics hubs and fleet mobilization):

- WFP's hub in El Obeid serves as a trans-shipment hub for humanitarian cargo received by UN agencies, destined for South Kordofan. WFP provides handling, cargo consolidation, storage and tracking services, which are undertaken at no cost to partners;
- Three hubs with lesser capacity (which can be expanded on needs basis) have been set up in Kadugli, Abu Jebeeha and Talodi. Four Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) have been erected in all three locations and are run by WFP national staff. An international Logistics Officer oversees the logistics operation and conducts frequent visits to all hubs;
- Intense fighting and bad road conditions during the current rainy seasons has reduced the availability of commercial transport. Under this operation, part of WFP's truck fleet in Darfur was mobilized to enhance surface transport capacity for partner organizations in South Kordofan;

2) **Logistics coordination & Information Management**

- A Logistics Coordination Cell was established in Khartoum with a dedicated Inter-Agency Logistics Officer and Information Officer, as well as a National GIS Officer. This staff travels between Khartoum, El Obeid and Kadugli depending on operational needs. A National Logistics Assistant in El Obeid takes care of the NFI tracking.
- Periodic Inter-Agency Logistics Coordination meetings are organized and chaired by WFP in Khartoum;
- Information management products, such as sitreps, bulletins, meeting minutes and maps, are shared via a mailing list.

JUSTIFICATION FOR THE REVISION:

3. A large part of the civilian population in South Kordofan State has been inaccessible to humanitarian organizations since mid-2011. In recent months displacement has gradually increased due to on-going fighting in some parts of the state between Sudanese Armed Forces (SAF) and the Sudan People's Liberation Movement - North (SPLM-N).

4. While many civilians have taken refuge in South Sudan and Ethiopia via the few remaining cross-border corridors to Unity State and Upper Nile in South Sudan, it is believed that there are no safe corridors for the movement of people and commercial commodities in and out of South Kordofan. Populations in the Nuba Mountains and the periphery have become partly or totally isolated from both market trade and humanitarian assistance. Indications are that the humanitarian situation is dire and deteriorating.

5. The Tripartite initiative - African Union (AU), League of Arab States (LAS) and United Nations (UN) - to convince all parties to provide humanitarian access to civilian populations in South Kordofan State have advanced with the signing of a separate Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) in the first week of August 2012 between the Tripartite partners and the Government of Sudan (GoS), as well as with the SPLM-N. As per the MoU with the GoS, a Plan of Action on assessments will have to be jointly agreed by the GoS and Tripartite team followed by a Delivery Plan. The GoS and the Tripartite have informally agreed that if the Plan of Action and Delivery Plan are approved and humanitarian operations moves forward, WFP will remain as the main logistics service provider for humanitarian assistance due to its comparative operational advantage in Sudan.

6. In August 2012, WFP started providing logistics common services to agencies working in South Kordofan State. Transport and temporary storage of relief items is being provided in areas that are only accessible by WFP. These activities need to be continued in order to meet the needs of the affected population. The continuation of Logistics Coordination activities and Information Management is required as well, in order to maximise the use of resources available in country and bridge operational gaps; information products support the decision-making process.

7. This is the first extension in time from 01 November until the end of the year. Fighting between SAF and the SPLM-N in parts of South Kordofan continued and the response is falling behind schedule due to access restrictions in some parts of the state. The concept of operations remains the same; however the staffing component was reduced. One International Consultant (Inter-Agency Logistics Officer) and two National staff (one Logistics Assistant and one GIS Assistant) are the only staff dedicated to this SO. In addition, a percentage of costs for a Field Logistics Officer, as well as a percentage of costs for the CO Fleet Manager,

who both have other tasks which are related to the on-going WFP EMOP, has been included. All other staff and staff-related costs have been taken out of the original budget.

In light of the above, this budget revision for the extension of the project in time until 31 December 2012, with a total reduction of USD 86,803, is recommended for approval by the Country Director.

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**Concept of Operation
SO 200470
Southern Kordofan State**

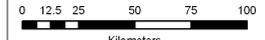


- Road Type:**
- Paved Road
 - Primary Road
 - Secondary
 - Tertiary
 - - - Track
 - + Rail Road

- Settlement:**
- State Capital
 - Primary Town
 - Secondary Town
 - Settlement/Village

- Boundary:**
- International Boundary
 - State Boundary
 - Locality Boundary

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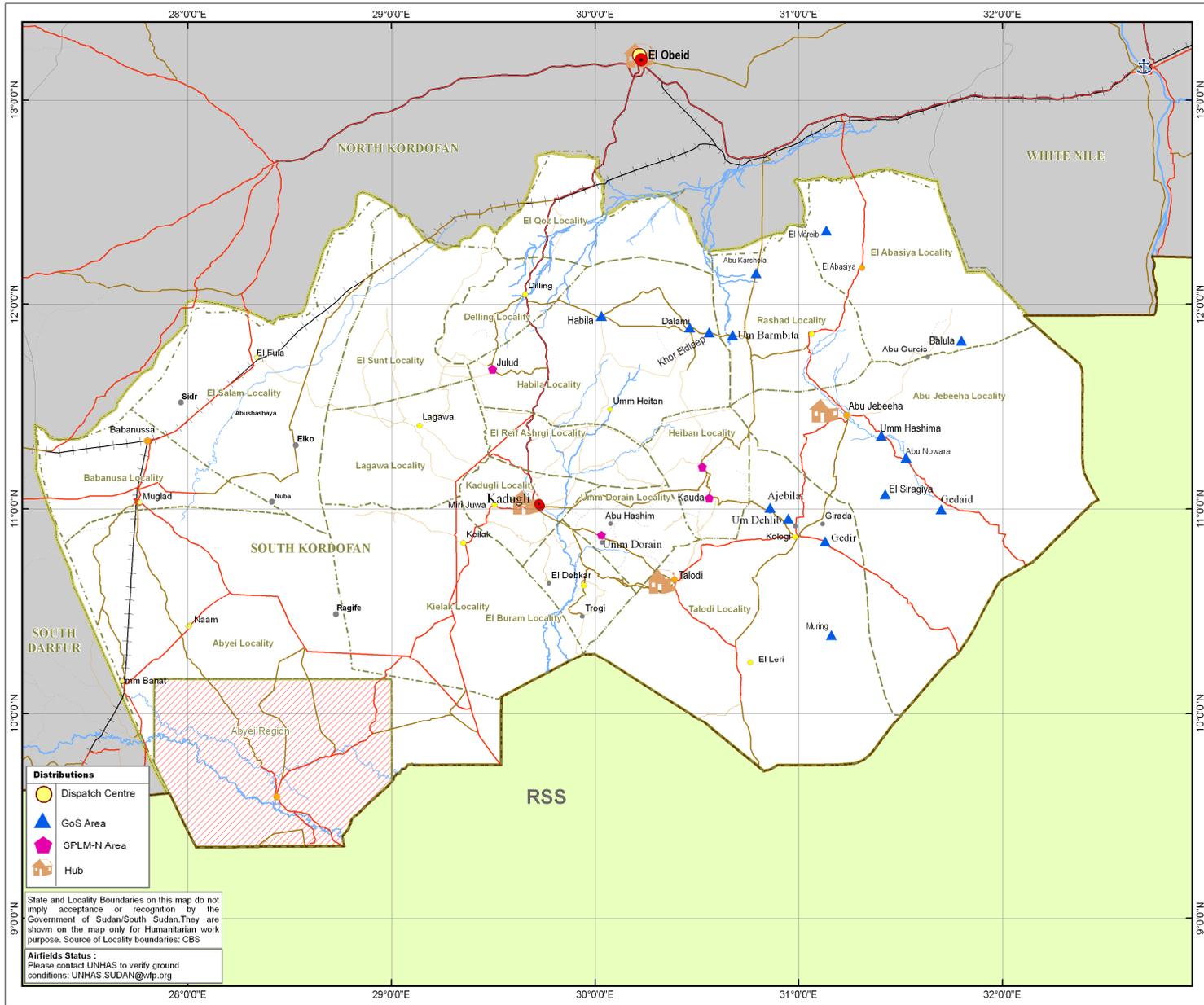
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- Distributions**
- Dispatch Centre
 - ▲ GoS Area
 - ◆ SPLM-N Area
 - Hub

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