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When Global Supply Chains Fail, Logenix Rises to the Challenge

Burkina Faso is a country plagued – by violence, instability, drought, food insecurity and, like the rest of the world, disease. COVID-19 hit Burkina Faso the same way it hit us all – quickly and with little notice – however, the impending global pandemic was overshadowed by a treacherous government coup; daily violence linked to al-Qaida and the influence of Islamic State militants (ISGS) traumatized the country.

Burkina Faso’s healthcare system was already weak, and the escalation of violence only worsened the situation – hundreds of health facilities closed, millions of individuals fled their homes (becoming displaced and/or homeless), and the few open health facilities were not equipped with supplies nor staff to assist the influx of patients. In 2020, only 400 COVID test kits were available, and worse, only three health facilities in the country were equipped to facilitate tests.

At the crux of the crisis, Logenix was there. In December 2020, the peak of the pandemic, we successfully delivered almost half a million, temperature sensitive COVID-19 test kits, valued at roughly $2 million USD, effectively kickstarting the testing and preventative process in Burkina Faso. Then, in 2021, we utilized our supply chain expertise to deliver crucial oxygen supplies – ventilators, laryngeal mask devices, and endotracheal intubation kits. When global supply chains failed, Logenix stepped in.
For more than a decade, Logenix has successfully managed thousands of medical supply deliveries to Burkina Faso from more than 20 origin countries – in just the past five years delivering approximately $175 million USD in goods aiding Burkina Faso’s fight against HIV and malaria! This year alone, we have delivered shipments valued at more than $40 million USD, which have included medicines, HIV antigen/antibody test kits, contraceptives, lab supplies, bed nets, and specialized pharmaceuticals such as Artesunate, an injectable treatment for severe cases of malaria. Many of these medicines and supplies are temperature sensitive and require Logenix’s evolutionary developing world cold chain system, Logenix PharmaPlus™. Our fail-safe GDP packaging expertise, route planning, and destination capacity mapping are unmatched in the industry.

With the ongoing, and consistent violence in Burkina Faso, we account for the potential delivery risks, on many occasions sending security escorts and supervisory teams to ensure the cargo reaches its final destination intact and complete. Although there are many uncontrollable factors impacting the Burkinabè population, Logenix remains steadfast in our efforts to manage and guarantee the delivery of crucial supplies, in times of need.
De-Mining the Developing World

As a weapon of war, landmines and other explosive devices such as improvised explosive devices (IEDs) have wreaked havoc on communities across the globe and do not discriminate between an enemy, civilian, or child. The landmines and other explosive remnants of war (ERW) remain past conflict, dormant for decades, posing a constant threat to affected communities. Over a quarter century after the Mine Ban Treaty was signed by 164 countries, landmines are still a daily threat to approximately 60 million people in over 70 countries and territories.

Logenix is proud of the role it has played for the past twenty years delivering essential de-mining equipment and supplies — metal detectors, mine detection dogs (MDDs), robots, specialized tractors, and utility task vehicles (UTVs) — across the globe, supporting international de-mining groups in their efforts to increase the safety of mine infested areas.

Logenix has safely delivered, and returned, hundreds of MDDs and handlers to the most conflict-stricken locations such as Afghanistan, Iraq, and almost 20 other conflict, or prior conflict areas. Early in the Afghanistan conflict, Logenix chartered an aircraft from Europe to transport nearly 50 MDDs and approximately 50 handlers to aid de-mining efforts.
In Iraq, we managed essential de-mining supplies for over five years and in 2011, when the withdrawal was announced, Logenix arranged air charters for the demobilization of dozens of MDDs and their handlers. Due to the years of conflict in the Caucasus region, we successfully delivered a Rhino Earth Tiller (pictured right), a custom designed landmine excavation tool, weighing over 121,000 pounds, to Azerbaijan!

This critically important operation contributed to the destruction of 2 million items of explosive ordnance. Over the past 2 years, Logenix has successfully delivered dozens of oversized shipments of demining equipment, such as an armor-plated tractor, a Robomax forestry mulcher, specialized UTVs, several terrain sifting buckets, and large Bearcat equipment to Cambodia, Kosovo, Iraq, Syria, Vietnam, and Ukraine. Just last month, Logenix's deliveries to Ukraine aided in the destruction of more than 5,000 landmines in Kharkiv and Mykolaiv. Further supporting these recent demining activities, a supply chain of replacement parts for blast damaged equipment, such as rock sifting/crushing equipment and ground detection radars, has been managed to these countries.

The presence of landmines not only concerns the sanctity of life for entire populations but also severely limits opportunities for growth in developing countries. Logenix looks forward to utilizing our considerable expertise to continue supporting international de-mining organizations and the individuals who put their lives at risk in the continued efforts to ensure global de-mining.
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D&D Charges in Freefall as Carriers Vie to Keep Shippers Onboard

“Container xChange’s annual D&D survey found that, across 65 international gateways, average D&D charges fell 25% year on year, and were below pre-pandemic levels for the first time in three years.”

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Global Air Cargo Tonnages Slide Slows as Rates Soften Further

“After declining for several weeks, global air cargo tonnages increased slightly in the second full week of July, mainly driven by stabilising volumes ex-Asia Pacific, whereas rates continued their long-term decline, says a WorldACD report.”

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Carrier Lynx for ONE

“ONE has been working with Carrier Transicold, part of Carrier Global Corporation, for some time to deploy Carrier’s reefer monitoring system, which uses hardware supplied by ORBCOMM, on its reefer containers.”

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