Liberia

Rapid mobilization of tailor-made solution in Ebola outbreak zone

Situation

During the 2014 Ebola outbreak in Liberia, EFS and DLA responded with rapidly deployable, tailor-made solutions to support several thousand of US Army personnel deployed to 12 locations throughout the region. A tailor-made solution was necessary that seamlessly incorporated an SPV platform, procurement services, logistics, transportation, distribution, and life support services to successfully complete the mission.

Solution

Our team immediately mobilized and within 17 days, we imported fresh food, fruit, and vegetables as well as water and assorted drinks from our distribution centers in Europe by air for distribution to each location.

In addition to delivering cases of dry, fresh, chilled, and frozen food items to areas experiencing a deadly massive outbreak, we provided critical and ISO 9001-2008 certified Quality Management System services.

Result

Over the course of the mission, we received 270,000 cases of dry and frozen food from CONUS. From Europe, we imported over 60,000 lbs. of fresh fruit and vegetables. We delivered 130,000 cases of dry food stuffs and used temperature-controlled vehicles to distribute 8,000 frozen and chilled cases.

Furthermore, our certified managers, trainers, and food handlers strictly implemented Ebola health and safety procedures to eliminate the possibility of infection. Our certified pest control, comprehensive fire and first aid services, and efficient emergency and evacuation plan, ensured effective operations that supported mission functions