Emergency response mechanism activated on 9 May. First response teams arrive in Mbandaka, a port town of 1.2 million near the epicenter of the outbreak on 11 May.

Deployment of 15 vaccination officers on 14 May, with a first batch of 4300 doses of vaccine shipped to Kinshasa on 18 May.

Two epidemiologists deployed to reinforce country capacity on 12 May. First batch of vaccines arrive in Kinshasa on 20 May. First WHO’s anthropologist arrives in Mbandaka on 23 May. MSF opens new Ebola treatment facility near Mbandaka on 28 May.

Vaccination starts in Likasi on 31 May.

First mobile lab deployed to Bikoro on 15 May. Airbridge established with WFP support in Bikoro, the epicenter of the outbreak on 13 May. First batch of vaccines arrive in Kinshasa on 20 May. First WHO’s anthropologist arrives in Mbandaka on 23 May. MSF opens new Ebola treatment facility near Mbandaka on 28 May.

Ring vaccination starts in Likasi on 31 May. "Use of the VSV-EBOV vaccine marks a paradigm shift in how we fight Ebola. This is an important moment that changes the way we’ve seen Ebola for 40 years."