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STATEMENT CALLING FOR SOLUTIONS
TO END THE WAREHOUSING OF REFUGEES
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The 1951 Convention and the 1967 Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees provide that persons fleeing persecution across borders deserve international protection, including freedom from forcible return (*refoulement*) and basic rights necessary for refugees to live a free, dignified, and self-reliant life even while they remain refugees. These rights include the rights to earn a livelihood—to engage in wage-employment, self-employment, the practice of professions, and the ownership of property—freedom of movement and residence, and the issuance of travel documents. These rights are applicable to refugees independently of whether a durable solution, such as voluntary repatriation, third-country resettlement, or naturalization in the country of first asylum, is available. They are part of the protection mandate of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

Of the nearly 14 million refugees in the world today, nearly 9 million are *warehoused*, confined to camps or segregated settlements or otherwise deprived of these basic rights, in situations lasting 10 years or more. Warehousing refugees not only violates their rights but also often reduces refugees to enforced idleness, dependency, and despair.

In light of the foregoing, the undersigned:

1. denounce the practice of warehousing refugees as a denial of rights in violation of the letter and spirit of the 1951 Convention and 1967 Protocol and call upon the international community, including donor countries, host countries and members of the Executive Committee of UNHCR to do the same;
2. call upon the international community to develop and implement strategies to end the practice of warehousing, including examining how refugee assistance can enable the greater enjoyment of Convention rights;
3. call upon UNHCR to monitor refugee situations more effectively for the realization of all the rights of refugees under the Convention, including those related to freedom of movement and the right to earn a livelihood;
4. call upon those countries that have not yet ratified the Convention or the Protocol to do so;
5. call upon those countries that have ratified the Convention and/or the Protocol but have done so with reservations on key articles pertaining to the right to work and freedom of movement to remove those reservations; and
6. call upon all countries to pass legislation, promulgate policies, and implement programs providing for the full enjoyment of the basic rights of refugees as set forth in the Convention.

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African Youth for Peace

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Asean Inter-Parliamentary Myanmar Caucus (AIPMC)

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[Association européenne pour la défense des droits de l'Homme](#)

[Association of Member Episcopal Conferences in Eastern Africa](#)

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Commission d'Entraide pour les Migrants et les Réfugiés - International

[Community and Family Services International](#)

[Danish Refugee Council](#)

[European Council on Refugees and Exiles](#)

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[Fédération Internationale des Ligues des Droits de l'Homme](#)

Foundation for the Refugee Education Trust

[Franciscans International](#)

[Free Burma Coalition](#)

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Sudan Emancipation & Preservation Network

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Unified Buddhist Church

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ZOA Refugee Care

Afghanistan

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Ghazi Rural Support Program

Albania

Albanian Helsinki Committee

[Albanian Center for Economic Research](#)

Algeria

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[Ligue Algérienne pour la Défense des Droits de l'Homme](#)

Angola

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Armenia

[Helsinki Association](#)

Saved Relics

Australia

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[Anglicare Refugee and Migrant Services](#)

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[Australians Caring for Refugees/AUSTCARE](#)

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Association for the Protection of Women's Rights after D. Alieva

Human Rights Center of Azerbaijan

[Women's Association for Rational Development](#)

Bangladesh

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National Development Society

Refugee and Migratory Movements Research Unit, University of Dhaka

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Défis-Jeunes

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[Action Réfugiés Montréal](#)

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Action et Coopération pour le Développement

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Jeunesse Sans Frontières

China

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Columbia

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Legal Resources Foundation Trust

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Environment and Development
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Development, Bhutan
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Migrant Workers and their Families
Organization

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Thailand Electrical Appliance Workers'
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Women's League of Burma
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Association des Réfugiés Francophones
Congolese Refugee Development Association
Human Rights Network/HURINET
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Ukraine

Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union

United Kingdom

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Detainees](#)
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United States

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