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# **2016 G20 Hangzhou Summit Interim Compliance Report**

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"The University of Toronto ... produced a detailed analysis to the extent of which each G20 country has met its commitments since the last summit ... I think this is important; we come to these summits, we make these commitments, we say we are going to do these things and it is important that there is an organisation that checks up on who has done what."

— David Cameron, Prime Minister, United Kingdom, at the 2012 Los Cabos Summit

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# 11. Migration and Refugees

"The G20 will continue to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions."

G20 2016 Hangzhou Leaders' Communiqué

#### **Assessment**

Country	Lack of Compliance	Work in Progress	Full Compliance
Argentina			+1
Australia		0	
Brazil			+1
Canada			+1
China		0	
France		0	
Germany			+1
India		0	
Indonesia		0	
Italy			+1
Japan			+1
Korea		0	
Mexico		0	
Russia		0	
Saudi Arabia		0	
South Africa		0	
Turkey			+1
United Kingdom		0	
United States			+1
European Union			+1
Average +0.45			

#### **Background**

G20 leaders first noted global migration issues at the 2013 St. Petersburg Summit by indicating migrants as one of the "vulnerable groups." At the 2015 Antalya Summit, they made a commitment in response to the global refugee crisis, where they agreed to "commit to further strengthening [their] support for all efforts to provide protection [for the unprecedented numbers of refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs) in various parts of the world]." G20 leaders also made a statement on anti-terrorism by addressing that "the fight against terrorism is a major priority" and "reiterate [their] resolve to work together to prevent and suppress terrorist acts through increased international solidarity and cooperation." 1485

At the 2016 Hangzhou Summit, G20 leaders recognized that "worldwide massive forced displacement of people, unprecedented since the Second World War, especially those generated from

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1483</sup> G20 Leaders' Declaration: St. Petersburg Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 5 September 2013. Access Date: 13 November 2016. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/summits/2013stpetersburg.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1484</sup> G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Antalya Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 16 November 2015. Access Date: 19 October 2016. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2015/151116-communique.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1485</sup> G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Antalya Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 16 November 2015. Access Date: 13 November 2016. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2015/151116-communique.html.

violent conflicts" 1486 are a global concern and pose significant challenges to the global economic order. Thus, G20 leaders re-emphasized their calls at Antalya to address the "effects, protection need and root causes of [the] refugee crisis to share in the burden associated with it" and strengthen "humanitarian assistance for refugees and refugee resettlement" to "find durable solutions" to the crisis.

Globally, forced displacement has hit a record high in light of various insurgencies and violence around the world. According to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), in 2015 there were 65.3 million forcibly displaced people worldwide, up from 59.5 million in the year prior. 1490 Of the 65.3 million, 21.3 million were refugees, 40.8 million were IDPs, and 3.2 million were asylum seekers. The UNHCR estimates that in 2015, 34,000 people were forcibly displaced every dav. 1491

G20 leaders have recognized that the severity of forced displacement around the world requires a coordinated, global G20 response. Thus, at the 2016 G20 Hangzhou Summit, G20 leaders agreed to "continue to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions." 1492

# **Commitment Features**

The G20 committed to "continue to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions."

"Forced displacement" refers to the forced movement of people from their locality or environment and occupational activities. 1493 It usually occurs as a result of security risks such as an armed conflict, civil war, generalized violence, and persecution on the grounds of nationality, race, religion, etc. It also occurs when people are under the threat of natural disasters, famine, development and economic change. People who are forcibly displaced may be identified as refugees, asylum seekers, or internally displaced persons (IDPs). According to the 1951 United Nations (UN) Refugee Convention, a refugee is someone who, "owing to a well-founded fear of being persecuted for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinion, is outside the country of his nationality, or is unable to, or owing to such fear, is unwilling to avail himself to the protection of that country." <sup>1494</sup>An asylum seeker is someone whose request for sanctuary as a refugee has yet to be processed. 1495 Unlike refugees and asylum seekers, IDPs have not crossed an

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1486</sup> G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Hangzhou Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 5 September 2016. Access Date: 19 October 2016. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2016/160905-communique.html.

G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Hangzhou Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 5 September 2016. Access Date: 19 October 2016. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2016/160905-communique.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1488</sup> G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Hangzhou Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 5 September 2016. Access Date: 19 October 2016. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2016/160905-communique.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1489</sup> G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Hangzhou Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 5 September 2016. Access Date: 19 October 2016. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2016/160905-communique.html.

Global Trends: Forced Displacement in 2015, UNHCR (Geneva) 20 June 2016. Access Date: 31 October 2016. http://www.unhcr.org/576408cd7.pdf.

Global Trends: Forced Displacement in 2015, UNHCR (Geneva) 20 June 2016. Access Date: 31 October 2016. http://www.unhcr.org/576408cd7.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1492</sup> G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Hangzhou Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 5 September 2016. Access Date: 19 October 2016. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2016/160905-communique.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1493</sup> Displaced Person/Displacement, UNESCO (Paris) n.d. Access Date: 13 November 2016.

http://www.unesco.org/new/en/social-and-human-sciences/themes/international-migration/glossary/displaced-

person-displacement/.

1494 Convention and Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees, UNHCR (Geneva) n.d. Access Date: 31 October 2016. http://www.unhcr.org/3b66c2aa10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1495</sup> Asylum-seekers, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 31 October 2016. http://www.unhcr.org/asylumseekers.html.

international border to find safety and remain within their own country, even if their government is the cause of their displacement. 1496

"Continue" refers to commitments that are established and implemented. It should be interpreted to mean new actions will be added to the already existing ones. For example, funding to the UN, other countries, or non-governmental organizations to support refugees, IDPs, or migrants will count as a sustained initiative as all G20 members have previously donated to them and thus it is not a new, concrete action. The exception to this is if funding was substantially increased, for example if it was doubled. In that case, the change is big enough that it goes beyond merely continuing an existing commitment. Another example is maintaining an existing program at the same functioning capacity, such as continuing to resettle refugees as promised under a previously agreed to resettlement scheme.

"Developing concrete actions" refers to the creation of new initiatives taking effect in 2017 that involve physical and tangible steps towards addressing forced displacement. Concrete actions are new, strong, and bold actions that go beyond providing affirmative support. They are efforts that change the status quo. Examples of developing concrete actions include creating new programs to support refugee populations, developing new cooperative efforts to support host countries with their refugee populations, or improving an existing initiative, such as enhancing the efficiency of an existing asylum procedure.

To achieve full compliance, G20 members must sustain existing initiatives and develop concrete actions in 2017 to address the massive forced displacement. While actions must focus on addressing forced displacement in 2017, preparatory steps taken in 2016 after the 2016 G20 Hangzhou Summit may count towards compliance. Affirmations of support do not count towards compliance.

#### **Scoring Guidelines**

-1	G20 member did not sustain existing initiatives AND did not develop new concrete actions.			
0	G20 member did not sustain existing initiatives OR develop new concrete actions.			
+1	G20 member sustained existing initiatives AND developed new concrete actions.			
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Lead Analyst: Arthur Lui

#### Argentina: +1

Argentina has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 9 September 2016, the Ministry of Interior and Transport enhanced the Syria Program by simplifying the procedure for processing permits for entry and visas. <sup>1497</sup> Originally created on 14 October 2014, the Syria Program grants special humanitarian visas for Syrian refugees. <sup>1498</sup> Refugees receive temporary and renewable residence permits, which become permanent after two years. <sup>1499</sup> The special humanitarian visa also entitles refugees the right to acquire same social services as national

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1496</sup> Internally Displaced People, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 31 October 2016.

http://www.unhcr.org/internally-displaced-people.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1497</sup> Ministry of the Interior, Public Works and Housing National Direction of Migration, Official Bulletin of the Republic of Argentina (Buenos Aires) 9 September 2016. Access Date: 31 December 2016. https://www.boletinoficial.gob.ar/#!DetalleNorma/150528/20160908.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1498</sup> The government accelerates the process to bring the country to 200 Syrian refugees, La Nacion (Buenos Aires) 30 September 2016. Access Date: 11 December 2016. http://www.lanacion.com.ar/1942683-el-gobierno-acelera-los-tramites-para-traer-al-pais-a-200-refugiados-sirios.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1499</sup> Special humanitarian visa program for foreigners affected by the conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic, Ministry of the Interior, Public Works and Housing (Buenos Aires) 14 October 2014. Access Date: 11 December 2016. http://www.migraciones.gov.ar/programasiria/?acercaprograma.

citizens, including access to lawful work and education. <sup>1500</sup> Additionally, the Government of Argentina announced that a team from the Federal Intelligence Agency (AFI), the National Commission for Refugees, and the Ministry of Security conducted the final screening process for 200 Syrian refugees who will soon arrive in Argentina from Aleppo and Lebanon. <sup>1501</sup>

On 16 September 2016, the Argentinian government created the National Office of the Syrian Program (Syria Bureau), a cabinet program that will be coordinated by Head of National Directorate of Migration Horacio García. It is composed of the Chief of Staff, Ministries of Interior, Foreign Affairs, Social Development, Education, Labor, Health, Justice, Security and Culture, Federal Bureau of Intelligence, and Bureau of Labor Syria Program. The Syria Bureau aims to integrate refugees into their host communities in Argentina through collaboration with non-governmental organizations and religious institutions to provide humanitarian assistance to them upon arrival in Argentina.

On 20 September 2016, at the United Nations (UN) Summit for Refugees and Migrants, President Mauricio Macri agreed to resettle 3,000 Syrian refugees. 1505

On 7 November 2016, Minister of Foreign Affairs Susana Malcorra announced the beginning of a training process for an interdisciplinary team to help families under the Syria Program with social integration into their host communities. <sup>1506</sup> The team is composed of the White Helmets Commission of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and members from the Ministries of Social Development and Justice and Human Rights. <sup>1507</sup> It will help families with integration by acting as an intercultural mediator and identifying their special needs and requirements according to age, gender, and abilities. <sup>1508</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1500</sup> Special humanitarian visa program for foreigners affected by the conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic, Ministry of the Interior, Public Works and Housing (Buenos Aires) 14 October 2014. Access Date: 11 December 2016. http://www.migraciones.gov.ar/programasiria/?acercaprograma.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1501</sup> The government accelerates the process to bring the country to 200 Syrian refugees, La Nacion (Buenos Aires) 30 September 2016. Access Date: 11 December 2016. http://www.lanacion.com.ar/1942683-el-gobierno-acelera-lostramites-para-traer-al-pais-a-200-refugiados-sirios.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1502</sup> National Office of Syria Program, Official Bulletin of the Republic of Argentina (Buenos Aires) 16 September 2016. Access Date: 11 December 2016. https://www.boletinoficial.gob.ar/#!DetalleNorma/151199/20160922.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1503</sup> National Office of Syria Program, Official Bulletin of the Republic of Argentina (Buenos Aires) 16 September 2016. Access Date: 11 December 2016. https://www.boletinoficial.gob.ar/#!DetalleNorma/151199/20160922.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1504</sup> National Office of Syria Program, Official Bulletin of the Republic of Argentina (Buenos Aires) 16 September 2016. Access Date: 11 December 2016. https://www.boletinoficial.gob.ar/#!DetalleNorma/151199/20160922.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1505</sup> Macri in Manhattan, Buenos Aires Herald (Buenos Aires) 23 September 2016. Access Date: 9 December 2016. http://www.buenosairesherald.com/article/221958/macri-en-manhattan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1506</sup> Programa Siria: Malcorra inauguró hoy la capacitación del equipo de ayuda para la inserción social y la integración, Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores y Culto (Buenos Aires) 7 November 2016. Access Date: 9 January 2017. http://www.mrecic.gov.ar/programa-siria-malcorra-inauguro-hoy-la-capacitacion-del-equipo-de-ayuda-para-la-insercion-social-y.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1507</sup> Programa Siria: Malcorra inauguró hoy la capacitación del equipo de ayuda para la inserción social y la integración, Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores y Culto (Buenos Aires) 7 November 2016. Access Date: 9 January 2017. http://www.mrecic.gov.ar/programa-siria-malcorra-inauguro-hoy-la-capacitacion-del-equipo-de-ayuda-para-la-insercion-social-y.

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In 2016, Argentina contributed USD523,420 to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). <sup>1509</sup> As of 18 January 2017, it has yet to contribute anything to the UNHCR.

Argentina has fully complied with its commitment to address the issue of forced displacement by developing concrete actions such as strengthening the Syria Program and creating the Syria Bureau and sustaining existing initiatives such as continued funding contributions to the UNHCR. Thus, Argentina receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Engin Polar

#### Australia: 0

Australia has partially complied with its commitment to continue to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 8 September 2016, Minister for Immigration and Border Protection Peter Dutton reported that Australia has now issued visas to more than half the additional 12,000 Syrian and Iraqi refugees that it committed to resettle a year ago. 1510

As of 9 September 2016, one year since the Syrian/Iraqi Refugee Intake project was first announced, official statistics indicated that 4,086 refugees had arrived in Australia and 2,772 visas had been granted during that time. 1511

On 21 September 2016, Minister Dutton and Minister for Foreign Affairs Julie Bishop issues a joint statement at the Leaders' Summit on Refugees. At the Summit, the Ministers stated that Australia will "provide an extra AUS130 million over the next three years to further increase support for refugees and communities in key countries of first asylum, such as Jordan, Lebanon, and Pakistan. This is in addition to the recently announced AUS220 million Syrian humanitarian assistance package. Australia will also "maintain [its] Humanitarian Program at an increased level of 18,750 places from 2018-19 onwards. This is in addition to the 12,000 places that it committed for refugees from Syria and Iraq. Australia will also "dedicate a minimum number of places over the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1509</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2016.

Syrian and Iraqi intake boosts humanitarian resettlement, Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Canberra) 8 September 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017.

http://www.minister.border.gov.au/peterdutton/2016/Pages/syrian-iraqi-intake-boosts-resettlement.aspx.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1511</sup> The Australian approach to integrating Syrian refugees, Devex International Development (Canberra) 22 September 2016. Access Date: 12 January 2017. https://www.devex.com/news/the-australian-approach-to-integrating-syrian-refugees-88789.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1512</sup> Leaders' Summit on Refugees, Minister for Foreign Affairs (Canberra) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017.

http://foreignminister.gov.au/releases/Pages/2016/jb\_mr\_160921.aspx?w=tb1CaGpkPX%2FlS0K%2Bg9ZKEg%3D%3D. 

1513 Leaders' Summit on Refugees, Minister for Foreign Affairs (Canberra) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017.

http://foreignminister.gov.au/releases/Pages/2016/jb\_mr\_160921.aspx?w=tb1CaGpkPX%2FlS0K%2Bg9ZKEg%3D%3D. 

1514 Leaders' Summit on Refugees, Minister for Foreign Affairs (Canberra) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017.

http://foreignminister.gov.au/releases/Pages/2016/jb\_mr\_160921.aspx?w=tb1CaGpkPX%2FlS0K%2Bg9ZKEg%3D%3D. 

1516 Leaders' Summit on Refugees, Minister for Foreign Affairs (Canberra) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017.

http://foreignminister.gov.au/releases/Pages/2016/jb mr 160921.aspx?w=tb1CaGpkPX%2FlS0K%2Bg9ZKEg%3D%3D.

next three years to displaced people from specific protracted refugee situations" to support the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)'s planning and management. <sup>1517</sup> Furthermore, Australia will create new pathways for refugees to resettle in Australia through the establishment of 1,000 places under a Community Support Program, where communities and businesses can sponsor applications and support new arrivals. <sup>1518</sup> Lastly, Australia will participate in a US-led multilateral program to resettle refugees from Central America. <sup>1519</sup>

On 18 October 2016, Minister Bishop announced that Australia will provide an additional AUS10 million in life-saving support for the civilians displaced by conflict in Mosul, Iraq. The support will include emergency food, medical assistance, temporary shelter, and support to women and girls for reproductive health. This is in addition to the AUS60 million that Australia has provided to Iraq since 2014, bringing the total humanitarian assistance provided by Australia to Iraq since June 2014 to AUS70 million.

On 13 November 2016, the Australian government reached a refugee resettlement agreement with the United States. This agreement is in addition to two resettlement agreements already in effect with Papua New Guinea and Cambodia. Under the agreement with the US, the priority is for the resettlement of those who are most vulnerable, namely women, children, and families. US authorities are to conduct their own assessment or refugees and decide which people are resettled in the US, and refugees will need to satisfy standard requirements for admission into the US.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1517</sup> Leaders' Summit on Refugees, Minister for Foreign Affairs (Canberra) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017.

http://foreignminister.gov.au/releases/Pages/2016/jb\_mr\_160921.aspx?w=tb1CaGpkPX%2FlS0K%2Bg9ZKEg%3D%3D. <sup>1518</sup> Leaders' Summit on Refugees, Minister for Foreign Affairs (Canberra) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017.

http://foreignminister.gov.au/releases/Pages/2016/jb\_mr\_160921.aspx?w=tb1CaGpkPX%2FlS0K%2Bg9ZKEg%3D%3D. Leaders' Summit on Refugees, Minister for Foreign Affairs (Canberra) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017

http://foreignminister.gov.au/releases/Pages/2016/jb\_mr\_160921.aspx?w=tb1CaGpkPX%2FlS0K%2Bg9ZKEg%3D%3D. <sup>1520</sup> Humanitarian assistance for the Mosul Operation, Minister for Foreign Affairs (Canberra) 18 October 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017.

<sup>.</sup>http://foreignminister.gov.au/releases/Pages/2016/jb\_mr\_161018.aspx?w=tb1CaGpkPX%2FlS0K%2Bg9ZKEg%3D%3D. 

1521 Humanitarian assistance for the Mosul Operation, Minister for Foreign Affairs (Canberra) 18 October 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017.

<sup>.</sup>http://foreignminister.gov.au/releases/Pages/2016/jb\_mr\_161018.aspx?w=tb1CaGpkPX%2FlS0K%2Bg9ZKEg%3D%3D. 

1523 Refugee resettlement from Regional Process Centre, Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Canberra) 13 

November 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://www.minister.border.gov.au/peterdutton/Pages/Refugee-resettlement-from-Regional-Process-Centres.aspx.

Refugee resettlement from Regional Process Centre, Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Canberra) 13 November 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://www.minister.border.gov.au/peterdutton/Pages/Refugee-resettlement-from-Regional-Process-Centres.aspx.

Refugee resettlement from Regional Process Centre, Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Canberra) 13 November 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://www.minister.border.gov.au/peterdutton/Pages/Refugee-resettlement-from-Regional-Process-Centres.aspx.

Refugee resettlement from Regional Process Centre, Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Canberra) 13 November 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://www.minister.border.gov.au/peterdutton/Pages/Refugee-resettlement-from-Regional-Process-Centres.aspx.

On 24 November 2016, Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull stated that the Australian government will increase Australia's annual refugee intake from 13,750 to almost 19,000. 1527

On 22 December 2016, the Department of Social Services stated that as of 2 December 2016, nearly 1,000 of a pledged 12,000 Syrian and Iraqi refugees have been resettled in Queensland since 1 July 2015. <sup>1528</sup> A further 3,500 are to be resettled in Brisbane, Logan, the Gold Coast, and Toowoomba. <sup>1529</sup>

In 2016, Australia contributed USD39.9 million to the UNHCR. <sup>1530</sup> As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed USD19.1 million. <sup>1531</sup>

Australia has partially complied with its commitment to address the issue of forced displacement by sustaining existing initiatives such as granting visas, increasing refugee intake, and providing training programs and assistance. However, it has failed to develop concrete actions. Thus, Australia receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Annie Luo

#### Brazil: +1

Brazil has fully complied with its commitment to continue to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 3 October 2016, the Ministry of Justice and Citizenship launched a call for proposals for projects aiming to promote the social and economic inclusion of immigrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and stateless persons in Brazil. Successful projects will receive financial resources of up to BRL300,000 for a period of up to twelve months.

On 16 November 2016, free Portuguese language and Brazilian culture courses for refugees under the National Program for the Access to Technical Education and Employment (PRONATEC) started. These courses are the result of a previous agreement signed between the Ministry of Justice

australia/3609767.html. <sup>1528</sup> Thousands of Syrian, Iraqi refugees to be settled in four south-east Queensland cities, Australian Broadcasting

Corporation (Sydney) 22 December 2016. Access Date: 12 January 2017. http://www.abc.net.au/news/2016-12-23/syrian-iraqi-refugees-to-be-settled-in-four-se-qld-cities/8143972.

Thousands of Syrian, Iraqi refugees to be settled in four south-east Queensland cities, Australian Broadcasting Corporation (Sydney) 22 December 2016. Access Date: 12 January 2017. http://www.abc.net.au/news/2016-12-23/syrian-iraqi-refugees-to-be-settled-in-four-se-qld-cities/8143972.

Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2016.

Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2017. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2017.

<sup>1532</sup> MJC lanca edital para selecionar projetos voltados aos refugiados, Ministerio da Justica e Cidadania (Brasilia) 3 October 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://www.justica.gov.br/noticias/mjc-lanca-edital-para-selecionar-projetos-voltados-aos-refugiados.

<sup>1533</sup> MJC lanca edital para selecionar projetos voltados aos refugiados, Ministerio da Justica e Cidadania (Brasilia) 3 October 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://www.justica.gov.br/noticias/mjc-lanca-edital-para-selecionar-projetos-voltados-aos-refugiados.

<sup>1534</sup> Curso de lingua portuguesa para imigrantes a refugiados, Ministerio da Justica e Cidadania (Brasilia) 18 November

<sup>1534</sup> Curso de lingua portuguesa para imigrantes a refugiados, Ministerio da Justica e Cidadania (Brasilia) 18 November 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://www.justica.gov.br/noticias/curso-de-lingua-portuguesa-para-imigrantes-e-refugiados.

Australian Government Focuses on Job Support for Syrian Refugees, VOA News (Sydney) 24 November 2016. Access Date: 12 January 2017. http://www.voanews.com/a/more-job-support-for-syrian-refugees-in-australia/3609767.html.

and Citizenship, National Committee for Refugees, and Ministry of Education.<sup>1535</sup> In addition to the free classes, PRONATEC provides financial aid to students to pay for food and transportation.<sup>1536</sup>

In 2016, Brazil contributed USD662,778 to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed an additional USD662,778 in 2017.

Brazil has fully complied with its commitment to address the issue of forced displacement by sustaining existing initiatives, such as continuing to contribute funds to the UNHCR and implementing existing agendas. It has also developed new concrete actions by launching a call for projects to promote refugees' social and economic inclusion in host communities. Thus, Brazil receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Annie Luo

#### Canada: +1

Canada has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 8 September 2016, Minister of Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship John McCallum and Minister of Science Kirsty Duncan announced that the Government of Canada would invest CAD600,000 in short-term grants to fund 25 research projects focusing on issues affecting the effective resettlement of refugees. These projects will ensure that Canada provides the best possible support for refugees and assists in their integration through resettlement programs. Researchers for the projects will also showcase their preliminary results at various events in 2017. 1541

On 19 September 2016, the Government of Canada, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), and the Open Society Foundations agreed to launch a joint initiative to increase the private sponsorship of refugees around the world under the Global Refugee Sponsorship Initiative. <sup>1542</sup> The joint initiative has three primary objectives to 1) contribute to enhanced

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1536</sup> Curso de lingua portuguesa para imigrantes a refugiados, Ministerio da Justica e Cidadania (Brasilia) 18 November 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://www.justica.gov.br/noticias/curso-de-lingua-portuguesa-para-imigrantes-erefugiados.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1538</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2017. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2017.

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On 16 November 2016, Minister of International Development and La Francophonie Marie-Claude Bibeau announced that the Government of Canada would contribute CAD25 million to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA).<sup>1544</sup> CAD20 million of the funding will support education, health and social services for Palestinian refugees, while CAD5 million of the funding will support humanitarian assistance.<sup>1545</sup>

On 13-15 December 2016, the Government of Canada hosted a high-level meeting of the Global Refugee Sponsorship Initiative to expound 90 participants, including sponsorship groups, international delegates, partners, and government officials, on Canada's private sponsorship model. <sup>1546</sup> Participants spoke with more than 30 experts from Canadian civil society, sponsors and sponsored refugees, and shared advice with other countries interested in creating private sponsorship programmes. <sup>1547</sup> Notably, government officials from Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Chile, Germany, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and the United States attended the high-level meeting. <sup>1548</sup>

On 31 December 2016, the Government of Canada cancelled the Syrian Family Links Initiative, a program that matched private Canadian sponsors with Syrian refugees abroad who have relatives in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1543</sup> Canada, UNHCR & the Open Society Foundations Seek to Increase Refugee Resettlement through Private Sponsorship, Government of Canada (Ottawa) 19 September 2016. Access Date: 17 January 2017. http://news.gc.ca/web/article-

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1547</sup> Global Refugee Sponsorship Initiative promotes Canada's private refugee sponsorship model, Government of Canada (Ottawa) 15 December 2016. Access Date: 11 January 2017. http://news.gc.ca/web/article-en.do?mthd=advSrch&crtr.mnthndVl=&crtr.mnthStrtVl=&crtr.page=1&nid=1170259&crtr.yrndVl=&crtr.kw=refugees&crtr.yrStrtVl=&crtr.dyStrtVl=&crtr.dyndVl=.

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Canada. 1549 The Ministry for Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship claimed that the number of refugees registered far exceeded the number of sponsors available. 1550

On 2 January 2017, the Government of Canada reported that 39,671 refugees had arrived in Canada since 4 November 2015. 1551 This includes 21,751 government-assisted refugees, 3,923 blended visa office-referred refugees, and 13,997 privately sponsored refugees. 1552

In 2016, Canada contributed USD116.2 million to the UNHCR. 1553 As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed USD38.6 million in 2017. 1554

Canada has fully complied with its commitment to address the issue of forced displacement by developing new concrete actions such as investing in new projects to discover how to improve resettlement programs and supporting other countries in adopting a private refugee sponsorship model similar to Canada's. It has also sustained existing initiatives by continuing to contribute funds to the UNRWA. Thus, Canada receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Joy Lizette Aguilar

#### China: 0

China has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 19 September 2016, Premier Li Keqiang pledged USD100 million in humanitarian aid at the United Nations (UN) Summit for Refugees and Migrants to help nations and organizations tackle the migrant crisis. 1555 Premier Li also affirmed that China will provide USD50 million to multilateral humanitarian organizations and relevant UN initiatives on an annual basis over the next three years, along with another USD50 million in the form of bilateral humanitarian aid. 1556 This brings China's new refugee and migrant humanitarian aid pledged at the Summit to a total sum of USD300 million. 1557

<sup>1549</sup> Ottawa ends program reuniting Syrian refugees with relatives in Canada, Globe and Mail (Ottawa) 12 January 2017. Access Date: 17J January 2017. http://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/politics/ottawa-ends-program-reunitingsyrian-refugees-with-relatives-in-canada/article33610264/.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1552</sup> #WelcomeRefugees: Key Figures, Government of Canada (Ottawa) 2 January 2017. Access Date: 11 January 2017. http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/refugees/welcome/milestones.asp.

<sup>1553</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donorprofiles?y=2016.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>554</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2017. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donorprofiles?y=2017.

<sup>1555</sup> Premier Li pledges financial aid for refugees, The State Council of the People's Republic of China (Beijing) 22 September 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016.

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http://english.gov.cn/premier/video/2016/09/22/content 281475448244359.htm.

In 2016, China contributed USD2.8 million to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). <sup>1558</sup> As of 18 January 2017, It has yet to contribute anything to the UNHCR in 2017.

China has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 by sustaining existing initiatives such as continuing to contribute funds to the UNHCR and in humanitarian aid. However, it has failed to develop new concrete actions. Thus, China receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Emilia Lochowska

#### France: 0

France has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 6 September 2016, Minister of Immigration Robert Goodwill announced that the UK struck a USD23 million deal with France to begin constructing a wall in Calais to prevent refugees and migrants from crossing over from France to the UK. 1559

On 6 September 2016, Mayor of Paris Anne Hidalgo announced that the Governments of Paris and France will spend EUR6.5 million to construct refugee camps in Paris and Ivry-sur-Seine. The Governments of Paris and France will pay EUR1.2 million to create the camps and EUR15 million annually thereafter to maintain them. The camp in Paris will support 400 men, while the camp in Ivry-sur-Seine will support 350 women and children. The refugee camps also provide short-term health services to asylum seekers for 5 to 10 days.

On 15 September 2016, the EU Parliament adopted a resolution demanding that EU member states step up the process. On 16 September 2016, the European Council on Refugees and Exiles reported that only 3% of the pledge to relocate 160,000 asylum seekers from Greece and Italy had been met. Of this amount, France had relocated the most people at a total of 1,662 from both countries. 1565

On 24 September 2016, President Francois Hollande announced the closing of the refugee camp in Calais during a visit to a reception centre in Tours. Following the closure, the President stated that

<sup>1559</sup> UK to build "big new wall" in Calais to stop migrants, CNN (London) 7 September 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016. http://edition.cnn.com/2016/09/07/europe/calais-wall-migrants/.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1560</sup> France migrant crisis: Paris to open refugee camp in October, BBC News (London) 6 September 2016. Access Date: 15 November 2016. http://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-37287321.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1565</sup> Relocation of asylum seekers from Greece and Italy needs to be at a faster and increased rate, UNHCR urges, 16 September 2016, European Council on Refugees and Exiles. Date of Access: 03 April 2017.

refugees would then be sent to 450 reception centres across the country for medical checks and applications for asylums. 1566

On 24 October 2016, the refugee camp in Calais was dismantled and 9,000 refugees were moved to 164 reception centres around France. These reception centres are funded by the Government of France in collaboration with the Office for Immigration and Integration (OFII). They have a capacity to hold 40-50 people for four months and offer medical checks and applications for asylum. However, there have been reports from NGO's working in the camp that many children have been left behind and are at risk of going missing. It is estimated that over 1,000 people remain in the camp. The same of the camp of the camp. The same of the camp of the camp. The camp of the camp of the camp. The camp of the

On 4 November 2016, the biggest makeshift refugee camp in Paris, made up of "tents and cardboard shelters that [stretched] for almost 1,000 meters," was dismantled, <sup>1571</sup> and 3,852 refugees from Sudan, Ethiopia and other countries were moved to 78 temporary centres in the city. <sup>1572</sup> Among them, 339 migrants who were identified as "vulnerable" were given special care. <sup>1573</sup>

On 23 November 2016, the Government of France and the OFII temporarily increased compensation for refugees that voluntarily leave France before 31 December 2016 to EUR2,500. This includes a paid-for air fare and up to EUR10,000 in financial aid upon arrival to their home country. 1575

On 30 November 2016, Minister of Housing Emmanuelle Cosse introduced a two-year housing project where 1,400 refugees will be living in the homes of private individuals with no housing

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1570</sup> Calais Jungle closed: Hundreds of children remain unaccounted for despite official closure, 26 October 2016, Independent. Date of Access: 03 April 2017. http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/europe/calais-jungle-closed-children-unaccounted-official-closure-camp-refugees-a7381626.html

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fees. 1576 The Ministry will pay EUR1,500 per person to each of the 11 associations selected to offer assistance to refugee families throughout their transition. 1577

On 30 November 2016, Executive Director of Operations of the French Development Agency Laurence Breton-Moyet signed a EUR32 million loan agreement with the Minister of Planning and International Cooperation of Jordan. 1578 The loan aims to support the Government of Jordan's project on improving "access to water, water distribution performance and related sewerage in Irbid Governorate for host communities of Syrian refugees."1579

As of 10 December 2016 and since the closure of the Calais refugee camp on 24 October 2016, over 750 refugee minors were transported from France to the United Kingdom as part of the fast-track program. 1580

On 9 December 2016, Minister of the Interior Bruno Le Roux announced the transfer of 200 unaccompanied refugee minors to Ireland. 1581 This came as a result of the dismantlement of the Calais refugee camp. 1582

In 2016, France contributed USD43.4 million to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). 1583 As of 18 January 2017, France has contributed USD292,138. 1584

While France has created a new program to help refugees transition into society in France via its twoyear housing program. It has also continued existing initatives by continuing its aid to the UNHCR as well as its commitment to continue receiving asylum seekers from Italy and Greece. However, the construction of a wall to prevent the flow of migrants and refugees prevents France from achieving a full compliance score. Thus, France receives a score of 0.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1582</sup> Process of bringing 200 child migrants from France begins. The Irish Times (Dublin) 9 December 2016. Access Date: 10 January 2017. http://www.irishtimes.com/news/social-affairs/process-of-bringing-200-child-migrants-from-francebegins-1.2899861.

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#### Germany: +1

Germany has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 7 September 2016, Chancellor Angela Merkel stressed that the Government of Germany would spend more for refugees in 2017 during the budget debate in the Bundestag. The draft of the 2017 federal budget allocates almost EUR19 billion to address migration and tackle root causes of displacement. Approximately EUR1 billion will support the reception of asylum seekers and timely handling of asylum procedures. Funding for integration courses is to be doubled to EUR610 million. In addition, more than EUR1.5 billion will be dedicated to labour market integration, while EUR410 million will be allocated to support occupation-specific German language courses. EUR300 million will be directed towards job opportunities for refugee integration measures and EUR2.8 billion will be allocated to the Federal Foreign Office and the Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development to tackle root causes of displacement.

On 20 September 2016, Federal Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier co-hosted the Leaders' Summit on Refugees with United States President Barack Obama in New York City. Gathering representatives of 52 countries and organizations, the Summit aimed to spur country's commitments to increase funding to humanitarian appeals and international organizations, accept more refugees through resettlement and other legal ways, and increase refugees' self-reliance and inclusion through opportunities for education and legal work.

On 4 November 2016, Federal Foreign Minister Steinmeier announced that the Government of Germany would contribute EUR61 million in humanitarian aid to the United Nations High

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1585</sup> Germany will still be Germany, Federal Government of Germany (Berlin) 7 September 2016. Access Date: 29 November 2016. https://www.bundesregierung.de/Content/EN/Artikel/2016/09\_en/2016-09-07-merkel-haushaltsdebatte.html.

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Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).<sup>1593</sup> The funding will be directed to provide assistance for refugees in sub-Saharan Africa, especially in South Sudan, Somalia, Burundi, and the Lake Chad region.<sup>1594</sup>

In early December 2016, Federal Foreign Minister Steinmeier pledged EUR50 million in humanitarian aid for civilians fleeing their homes in and surrounding Aleppo, Syria during his visit to Lebanon. The aid will be implemented by non-governmental organizations such as the International Committee of the Red Cross, as well as the World Food Programme (WFP) and the UNHCR. 1596

On 14 December 2016, Federal Foreign Minister Steinmeier pledged EUR5 million in humanitarian aid to the UN Humanitarian Pooled Fund in Gaziantep. The funding will support cross-border measures from Turkey to northern Syria and will be implemented by the UN and Syrian non-governmental organizations. The support cross-border measures from Turkey to northern Syria and will be implemented by the UN and Syrian non-governmental organizations.

On 16 December 2016, Special Representative of the Federal Government for the Middle East Stability Partnership Joachim Rücker announced that the Government of Germany would contribute EUR46 million to Jordan to support education and employment protection for refugees.<sup>1599</sup>

On 16 December 2016, the Federal Foreign Office of Germany announced its contribution of EUR48 million for the European Union-International Organization for Migration initiative on

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1593</sup> Foreign Minister Steinmeier promises UN High Commissioner for Refugees Grandi 61 million euros for acute crises in Africa, Federal Foreign Office of Germany (Berlin) 4 November 2016. Access Date: 11 January 2017. http://www.auswaertiges-

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migrant protection. <sup>1600</sup> The initiative will include construction of migration centres along primary migration routes to provide better access to information (i.e. information on target countries) to migrants, and to help migrants locate their family members. <sup>1601</sup> In addition, the centres will offer food, medical care, and psycho-social care. <sup>1602</sup> The centres will also help migrants return to their countries of origin. <sup>1603</sup> The initiative aims to alter political responses by developing a better understanding of the reasons for displacement and migration through the collection of data on refugee numbers and kinds of refugee flows. <sup>1604</sup>

On 1 January 2017, the Federal Government of Germany assumed joint chairmanship of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (GFMD) with the Government of Morocco. <sup>1605</sup> The GFMD is an initiative of UN members that examines the relationship between legal migration and development from a practical approach. <sup>1606</sup> The GFMD aims to provide an informal framework in which political decision-makers can discuss relevant legislations and to exchange experiences and practices. <sup>1607</sup> In addition, the forum aims to identify political and institutional relationships needed to promote coherence between migration and development policy, establish partnerships and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1606</sup> Global Forum on Migration and Development: German-Moroccan co-chairmanship 2017-2018, Federal Foreign Office of Germany (Berlin) 9 January 2016. Access Date: 11 January 2017. http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/EN/Aussenpolitik/GlobaleFragen/Fluechtlinge/GFMD/GFMD.html?searchArchive=0&searchEngineQueryString=refugee&searchIssued=0&searchIssuedAfter=27.11.2013.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1607</sup> Global Forum on Migration and Development: German-Moroccan co-chairmanship 2017-2018, Federal Foreign Office of Germany (Berlin) 9 January 2016. Access Date: 11 January 2017. http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/EN/Aussenpolitik/GlobaleFragen/Fluechtlinge/GFMD/GFMD.html?searchArchive=0&searchEngineQueryString=refugee&searchIssued=0&searchIssuedAfter=27.11.2013.

cooperation between states and other stakeholders, and shape international priorities for migration and development. 1608

In 2016, Germany contributed USD360.1 million to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed USD32.3 million. Idla million.

Germany has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 by developing concrete actions such as increasing its 2017 budget to better support its refugee population and sustaining existing initiatives such as continued donations to the UNHCR, the WFP, and other host countries. Thus, Germany receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Joy Lizette Aguilar

#### India: 0

India has partially complied with its commitment to continue to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 30 November 2016, the Union Cabinet of the Government of India, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved of a INR20 billion development package for displaced people from Pakistan occupied Kashmir living in India. 1611 It aims to provide enhanced financial aid to 36,384 Hindu and Sikh families, 1612 who are mostly living in the Jammu-Kashmir region. 1613 It is estimated that each of these families will receive around INR0.55 million as aid. 1614

In 2016, India contributed USD14,788 to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). As of 18 January 2017, it has yet to contribute anything to the UNHCR in 2017.

India has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 by sustaining existing initiatives such as continuing to provide financial aid to displaced persons and the UNHCR. However, it has not developed concrete actions. Thus, India receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Annie Luo

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1608</sup> Global Forum on Migration and Development: German-Moroccan co-chairmanship 2017-2018, Federal Foreign Office of Germany (Berlin) 9 January 2016. Access Date: 11 January 2017. http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/EN/Aussenpolitik/GlobaleFragen/Fluechtlinge/GFMD/GFMD.html?searchArchive=0&searchEngineQueryString=refugee&searchIssued=0&searchIssuedAfter=27.11.2013.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1609</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2016.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1610</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2017. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?v=2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1611</sup> Cabinet approves Rs 2,000 crore package for refugees from PoK, The Times of India (New Delhi) 30 November 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/Cabinet-approves-Rs-2000-crore-package-for-refugees-from-PoK/articleshow/55709344.cms.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1614</sup> Cabinet approves Rs 2,000 crore package for refugees from PoK, The Times of India (New Delhi) 30 November 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/Cabinet-approves-Rs-2000-crore-package-for-refugees-from-PoK/articleshow/55709344.cms.

<sup>1615</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-

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#### Indonesia: 0

Indonesia has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

In 2016, Indonesia contributed USD60,000 to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). 1616 As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed USD60,000 in 2017. 1617

Indonesia has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 by sustaining existing initiatives continuing to contribute funds to the UNHCR. However, it has not developed concrete actions. Thus, Indonesia receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Ben Xu

#### Italy: +1

Italy has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 30 September 2016, the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Italian Development Cooperation donated EUR800,000 of emergency aid to the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) to provide economic and nutritional support to 548,000 refugees and internally displaced persons from Afghanistan and Pakistan. 1618

On 3 October 2016, the Government of Italy gave EUR1 million of emergency funds to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) to support Palestinian refugees in the Gaza Strip. 1619

On 4 October 2016, Permanent Representative and Ambassador of Italy to the International Organizations in Geneva Maurizio Enrico Serra delivered a statement at the 2016 United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Executive Committee. Ambassador Serra stated that the Government of Italy has pledged USD24.5 million for refugee crises in Africa, the Middle East, and Asia in 2016. Ambassador Serra also stated that since 2011, Italian Development Cooperation, the governmental agency responsible for Italy's official development aid overseas, has contributed

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1621</sup> Italian Statement at 2016 UNHCR Executive Committee, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (Geneva) 4 October 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016.

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approximately EUR84 million of aid for over 4 million Syrian refugees in Libya, Turkey, Jordan, Iraq, and Egypt. 1622

On 14 October 2016, the Government of Italy allocated EUR3.9 million to provide essential services to South Sudanese refugees and the most vulnerable segments of the hosting populations in South Sudan and neighbouring countries. 1623

On 24 October 2016, 75 Syrian refugees arrived in Rome from UNHCR camps in Lebanon as a part of the Human Corridors Resettlement Programme. <sup>1624</sup> The programme is a pilot project stemming from an initiative signed in December 2015 by the Government of Italy <sup>1625</sup> to resettle 1,000 refugees from Morocco, Lebanon, and Ethiopia over the next two years. <sup>1626</sup> 279 refugees have already been resettled under the programme, and an additional 53 refugees were resettled on 25 October 2016. <sup>1627</sup>

On 27 October 2016, the Government of Italy contributed EUR3 million in emergency funds to Palestine to support and strengthen basic services, with a particular goal to guarantee decent living conditions for refugees and displaced persons. 1628

On 31 October 2016, the Ministry of the Interior created a working group to deal with asylum seekers beyond the 'logic of emergency.' The working group aims to create a framework to successfully redistribute 1200 asylum seekers currently residing in refugee centres in Modena. 1630

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1622</sup> Italian Statement at 2016 UNHCR Executive Committee, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (Geneva) 4 October 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1624</sup> 75 Syrian refugees arrive in Italy under resettlement program, Middle East Observer (Stockholm) 25 October 2016. Access Date: 11 December 2016. https://www.middleeastobserver.org/2016/10/25/75-syrian-refugees-arrive-in-italy-under-resettlement-program/.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1628</sup> Palestine: Italy gives a 3 million euro emergency contribution, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (Rome) 27 October 2016. Access Date: 18 January 2017.

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On 31 October 2016, Minister of Foreign Affairs Angelino Alfano greeted the first 75 Lebanese refugees to be resettled in Italy through the Human Corridors Resettlement Programme upon their arrival at at the Leonardo Da Vinci – Fiumicino Airport in Rome. 1631

On 10-11 November 2016, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Paolo Gentiloni visited Niger, Mali, and Senegal to reaffirm Italy's commitment to support the removal of the causes of underdevelopment and help local governments to combat illegal migrations, terrorism, and illegal trafficking. Italy pledged to raise funds for this cause. However, the exact amount is unknown. 1634

On 21 November 2016, the Government of Italy contributed EUR2 million to the UNHCR for health-related projects in Jordan and Lebanon. In Jordan, EUR1 million will go towards the improvement of sanitation facilitates in a refugee camp hosting 25,000 Syrian refugees. In Lebanon, EUR1 million will be allocated to support the UNHCR Programme titled 'Cash for Health.'

On 17 December 2016, Minister Alfano stated that the Italian government has allocated EUR25 million to fund humanitarian activities in Syria and the region. Since the beginning of the crisis, Italy has contributed EUR120 million to support humanitarian interventions in Syria and neighboring countries such as Jordan and Lebanon.

On 30 December 2016, the Department of Civil Liberties and Immigration released a decree pertaining to the funding arrangements for small organizations working on refugee resettlement for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1631</sup> Accolti i migranti del progetto 'Corridoi Umanitari,' Ministry of the Interior (Rome) 31 October 2016. Access Date: 30 January 2017. http://www.interno.gov.it/it/notizie/accolti-i-migranti-progetto-corridoi-umanitari&usg=ALkJrhil9DE e85fPiBJMpDX8VIPcWCBzA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1632</sup> Minister Paolo Gentiloni Visits Niger, Mali and Senegal, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (Geneva) 11 November 2016. Access Date: 11 December 2016.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1637</sup> Siria - Dall'Italia due milioni di euro a UNHCR per assistenza ai rifugiati in Libano e Giordania, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (Rome) 21 November 2016. Access Date: 30 January 2017.

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http://www.esteri.it/mae/en/sala stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2016/12/alfano-siria-25-milioni-di-euro.html.

the years 2017-2019. 1640 Under the decree, 95 per cent of the total operating costs of selected organization will be subsidized by the Department. 1641

On 27 January 2017, the Ministry of the Interior pledged to admit 500 refugees from Ethiopia, whose refugee status will be confirmed by the UNHCR by the end of 2017. This measure represents the continuation of a previous protocol initiated in 2015 whose focus was mainly on Lebanese refugees. 1643

In 2016, Italy contributed USD31.4 million to the UNHCR. <sup>1644</sup> As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed USD5.2 million in 2017. <sup>1645</sup>

Italy has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 by sustaining existing initiatives, such as continuing to implement the Human Corridors Resettlement Programme and contributing funds to the UNRWA, UNHCR, and WFP, and developing concrete actions by creating a working group to support asylum seekers and deciding to fund majority of total operating costs of small refugee resettlement organizations. Thus, Italy receives a score of +1.

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# Japan: +1

Japan has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 8 September 2016, the Government of Japan delivered USD1.8 million to the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) to provide food and nutrition assistance to more than 200,000 refugees in northwest Tanzania. With these funds, the WFP purchased 1,800 metric tonnes of food commodities. Heavy to the commodities of the commodities of

On 20 September 2016, Prime Minister Shinzo Abe stated at the Leader's Summit on Refugees that Japan will commit USD2.8 million in humanitarian and self-reliance assistance to refugees and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1640</sup> Accoglienza richiedenti asilo e rifugiati, nuovi fondi agli enti locali per il triennio 2017-2019, Ministry of the Interior (Rome) 30 December 2016. Access Date: 31 January 2017. http://www.interno.gov.it/it/notizie/accoglienza-richiedenti-asilo-e-rifugiati-nuovi-fondi-enti-locali-triennio-2017-2019&usg=ALkJrhjPrZcFU9uOLPM3My1i06EZPteFMw.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1644</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 5 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2016.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1647</sup> Japan Donation Boosts WFP's Assistance To Refugees In Tanzania, World Food Programme (Dar Es Salaam) 8 September 2016. Access Date: 1 December 2016. http://www.wfp.org/news/news-release/japan-donation-boosts-wfp-assistance-refugees-tanzania.

migrants.<sup>1648</sup> Furthermore, Japan will contribute USD100 million to the World Bank's Global Crisis Response Platform, which aims to address pressing global threats, such as the massive displacement of people.<sup>1649</sup> Prime Minister Abe also stated that Japan will accept 150 Syrian students and their families in the coming five years starting from 2017 provide educational assistance and vocational training to approximately one million people affected by conflicts.<sup>1650</sup> The Government of Japan has already supplied vocational training to Syrian refugees and Lebanese youth in Lebanon in cooperation with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).<sup>1651</sup> Prime Minister Abe also claimed that the Japanese Overseas Cooperation Volunteers will work to create safe learning environments for Syrian refugee children.<sup>1652</sup>

On 12 December 2016, the Government of Japan contributed USD1.4 million to the WFP to supply food and nutrition to Burundian and Congolese refugee camps in Rwanda. 1653

On 22 December 2016, the Government of Japan pledged USD500 million in assistance for refugees as part of the country's commitment to achieving the United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goals. 1654

On 9 January 2017, State Minister for Foreign Affairs Kentaro Sanoura announced that the Government of Japan will grant Lebanon USD17.9 million of aid to support Syrian refugees. 1655

In 2016, Japan contributed USD164.7 million to the UNHCR. 1656 As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed USD616.275 in 2017. 1657

Japan has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 by developing concrete actions such as pledging to accept 150 Syrian students over the next five years, and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1648</sup> Statement by Prime Minister Shinzo Abe at the Leader's Summit on Refugees, Prime Minister of Japan and His Cabinet (New York) 20 September 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016.

http://japan.kantei.go.jp/97 abe/statement/201609/1219204 11015.html.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1650</sup> Statement by Prime Minister Shinzo Abe at the Leader's Summit on Refugees, Prime Minister of Japan and His Cabinet (New York) 20 September 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1651</sup> Statement by Prime Minister Shinzo Abe at the Leader's Summit on Refugees, Prime Minister of Japan and His Cabinet (New York) 20 September 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016.

 $http://japan.kantei.go.jp/97\_abe/statement/201609/1219204\_11015.html.$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1652</sup> Statement by Prime Minister Shinzo Abe at the Leader's Summit on Refugees, Prime Minister of Japan and His Cabinet (New York) 20 September 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016.

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Japan contributes \$1.4 million to feed refugees in Rwanda, Rwanda News Agency (Kigali) 12 December 2016. Access Date: 12 January 2016. http://www.rnanews.com/economy/12467-japan-contributes-14m-to-feed-refugees-in-rwanda.

Japan pledges \$500 million in fresh aid for refugees, The Japan Times (Tokyo) 22 December 2016. Access Date: 13 January 2017. http://www.japantimes.co.jp/news/2016/12/22/national/japan-pledges-500-million-fresh-aid-refugees/#.WHj52ymEib8.

Japan offers Lebanon \$17.9 million in aid to Syrian refugees, The Daily Star (Beirut) 9 January 2017. Access Date: 12 January 2017. https://www.dailystar.com.lb/News/Lebanon-News/2017/Jan-09/388503-japan-offers-lebanon-179m-in-aid-syrian-refugees.ashx.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1656</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 21 December 2016. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?v=2016.

Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2017. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2016.

sustaining existing initiatives by continuing to contribute financial support to host countries, the UN, and its organizations. Thus, Japan receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Emilia Lochowska

#### Korea: 0

Korea has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 4 October 2016, Ambassador Song Woong-Yeob of Korea to Iraq attended an official ceremony hosted by the Kurdistan Regional Government Minister of Interior and donated USD300,000 in medical supplies to internally displaced persons and refugees from Syria and Iraq who are currently residing in Kurdistan. <sup>1658</sup>

On 21 September 2016, Minister of Foreign Affairs Yun Byung-se announced at the Leader's Summit on Refugees that Korea will allocate USD230 million over the next three years in multilateral humanitarian aid to solve the global refugee crisis. 1659

On 2 November 2016, Korea received 34 refugees from Myanmar as a part of a 2015 refugee resettlement program initiated by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). The Ministry of Justice will run the pilot program until 2017, at which point it will decide whether or not to continue the project based on public reception of refugees and the success of integration. <sup>1661</sup>

In 2016, Korea contributed USD7.1 million to the UNHCR. As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed USD7.1 million in 2017.

Korea has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 by sustaining existing initiatives such as the 2015 UNHCR resettlement program and continuing to contribute financial aid to host countries and the UNHCR. However, it has failed to develop concrete actions. Thus, Korea receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Emilia Lochowska

#### Mexico: 0

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Mexico has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1658</sup> South Korea continues to provide humanitarian assistance to IDPs and refugees in Kurdistan Region, Kurdistan Regional Government Ministry of Interior Joint Crisis Coordination Center (Erbil) 5 October 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016. http://www.jcckrg.org/en/article/read/48.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1659</sup> South Korea pledges to contribute US \$230 mln to global support for refugees, Yonhap News Agency (Seoul) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016.

http://english.yon hapnews.co.kr/northkorea/2016/09/21/04010000000 AEN 20160921005500315.html.

Korea to take in Myanmar refugees, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20150921001224.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1661</sup> Korea to take in Myanmar refugees, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20150921001224.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1662</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 21 December 2016. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2016.

Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2017. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2017.

On 20 September 2016, at the United Nations (UN) Summit for Refugees and Migrants, President Enrique Peña Nieto outlined seven specific actions that the Government of Mexico is promoting. These include increasing the number of the Mexican Commission for Refugee Assistance (COMAR) personnel by 80 per cent in places where the highest number of applications are registered over the coming months. <sup>1664</sup> Additionally, President Nieto committed to finding alternatives to prevent the administrative detention of asylum seekers. <sup>1665</sup>

As of 11 December 2016, Mexico has contributed a total of USD2 million to the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) and its emergency operation to deliver food assistance to vulnerable Syrian populations in Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq, Turkey, and Egypt affected by conflict in Syria. 1666

In 2016, Mexico contributed USD55,000 to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). As of 18 January 2017, it has yet to contribute anything to the UNHCR in 2017.

Mexico has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 by sustaining existing initiatives such as financial contributions to the WFP and UNHCR. However, it has failed to develop new concrete actions. Thus, Mexico receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Engin Polar

#### Russia: 0

Russia has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

In May 2016, the President of Russia signed the Law on simplified procedure for obtaining permanent residence in Russia. The Federal Law provides for a simplified procedure for obtaining Russian permanent residence (without first having to obtain a temporary residence permit and live at least one year in Russia on the basis of this permit). This simplified procedure is open to foreign citizens and stateless persons "coming in large numbers to Russia as a result of an emergency situation, provided they receive temporary asylum or refugee status and are involved in the state programme for assistance to compatriots living abroad in voluntary resettlement in Russia." <sup>1668</sup>

In 2016, Russia contributed USD2 million to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). 1669 As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed an additional USD2 million in 2017. 1670

Mexico urges international community to show solidarity with refugees and ensure their integration into host communities, Gobierno de México (Mexico City) 20 September 2016. Access Date: 9 December 2016. https://www.gob.mx/presidencia/prensa/mexico-urges-international-community-to-show-solidarity-with-refugees-and-ensure-their-integration-into-host-communities-epn.

Mexico urges international community to show solidarity with refugees and ensure their integration into host communities, Gobierno de México (Mexico City) 20 September 2016. Access Date: 9 December 2016. https://www.gob.mx/presidencia/prensa/mexico-urges-international-community-to-show-solidarity-with-refugees-and-ensure-their-integration-into-host-communities-epn.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1666</sup> Donor Profiles, WFP (Rome) 2016. Access Date: 14 December 2016.

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1670 Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2017. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2017.

Russia has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement by sustaining existing initiatives such as continuing to contribute funding to the UNHCR. However, it has not developed concrete actions. Thus, Russia receives a score of 0.

Analysts: Mariya-Kvitlana Tsap & Mark Rakhmangulov

#### Saudi Arabia: 0

Saudi Arabia has partially complied with its commitment to continue to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 21 September 2016, at the Leaders' Summit on Refugees in New York, Crown Prince Mohammed bin Nayef announced that Saudi Arabia will contribute an additional USD75 million to aid refugees in coordination with international aid organizations. 1671

On 22 October 2016, the Government of Saudi Arabia, represented by the Saudi Fund for Development, signed an agreement with the United Nations World Food Program (WFP) in Riyadh of USD6 million to provide support to refugees in Jordan and Syria, for USD3 million each. 1672 The Saudi National Campaign also distributed school bags and stationery to 747 Syrian students in a Jordanian refugee camp in Irbid. 1673

In 2016, Saudi Arabia contributed USD14.7 million to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). 1674 As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed an additional USD11.7 million in 2017.1675

Saudi Arabia has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement by sustaining existing initiatives to continue to support refugees by continuing to contribute to humanitarian organizations such as the UNHCR and WFP. However, it has failed to develop concrete actions in 2017. Thus, Saudi Arabia receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Annie Luo

# South Africa: 0

South Africa has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 16 September 2016, Minister of Home Affairs Malusi Gigaba held a roundtable discussion with representatives of the civil society to discuss issues related to the 1996 Green Paper on International Migration. 1676 The discussion is part of a public consultation process held by the Department of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1671</sup> Saudi Arabia pledges \$75 million to refugees, The New Arab (London) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 24 January 2017. https://www.alaraby.co.uk/english/news/2016/9/22/saudi-arabia-pledges-75-million-to-refugees.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1672</sup> Saudi Arabia to provide food aid for 4m Syrian refugees through WFP, Arab News (Riyadh) 22 October 2016. Access Date: 24 January 2017. http://www.arabnews.com/node/1000986/saudi-arabia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1673</sup> Saudi Arabia to provide food aid for 4m Syrian refugees through WFP, Arab News (Riyadh) 22 October 2016. Access Date: 24 January 2017. http://www.arabnews.com/node/1000986/saudi-arabia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1674</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-

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Minister Gigaba to host International Migration Roundtable with Civil Society, Department of Home Affairs (Johannesburg) 16 September 2016. Access Date: 19 January 2017. http://www.homeaffairs.gov.za/index.php/statements-speeches/855-minister-gigaba-to-host-international-migration-roundtable-withcivil-society.

Home Affairs from 1 July 2016 to 30 September 2016 to review the Green Paper and discovery ways to improve the Government of South Africa's immigration policy. 1677

On 30 September 2016, delegations from South Africa and other African countries as well as representatives from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the African Union held a ministerial meeting in Geneva to agree on the final steps of a 2009 comprehensive solutions strategy to support the integration of Rwandan refugees into their host communities in South Africa and other African countries. <sup>1678</sup> During the meeting, participants agreed to continue promoting the option of voluntary repatriation to Rwanda in safety and dignity. <sup>1679</sup> As of 30 September 2016, of the 3.5 million Rwandans that became refugees between 1997 and 1998, all but 268,500 refugees have found a solution. <sup>1680</sup> The strategy aims to find durable solutions for the remaining refugees by December 2017.

On 11 December 2016, Minister Gigaba announced the winners of the Second Annual Mkhaya Migrants Awards. The Department of Home Affairs launched the Awards in 2015 to promote the "building of a united, democratic and prosperous society where citizens, residents and migrants live together in peace and harmony." They are awarded to individuals, groups of individuals, or communities that make positive contributions towards enhancing South Africa's social cohesion and supporting international migration. <sup>1684</sup>

In 2016, South Africa contributed USD125,217 to the UNHCR. 1685 As of 18 January 2017, it has yet to contribute anything in 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1677</sup> Green Paper on International Migration, Department of Home Affairs (Pretoria) 2017. Access Date: 19 January 2017. http://www.home-affairs.gov.za/index.php/notices/815-green-paper-on-international-migration.

African host countries agree on final steps to resolve Rwandan refugee situation, UNHCR (Geneva) 30 September 2016. Access Date: 29 November 2016. http://www.unhcr.org/news/press/2016/9/57f20dd54/unhcr-african-host-countries-agree-final-steps-resolve-rwandan-refugee.html.

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Speech by Minister of Home Affairs Malusi Ggaba to the Second Mkhaya South African Migrants Awards, Department of Home Affairs (Johannesburg) 12 December 2016. Access Date: 19 January 2017. http://www.home-affairs.gov.za/index.php/statements-speeches/910-address-by-the-minister-of-home-affairs-malusi-gigaba-mp-on-the-occasion-of-the-second-mkhaya-south-african-migrants-awards-in-johannesburg-on-11-december-2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1683</sup> Media Statement on Mkhaya Migrants Awards Nominees, Department of Home Affairs (Pretoria) 9 December 2016. Access Date: 19 January 2017. http://www.home-affairs.gov.za/index.php/statements-speeches/909-media-statement-on-mkhaya-migrants-awards-nominees.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1684</sup> Speech by Minister of Home Affairs Malusi Ggaba to the Second Mkhaya South African Migrants Awards, Department of Home Affairs (Johannesburg) 12 December 2016. Access Date: 19 January 2017. .http://www.home-affairs.gov.za/index.php/statements-speeches/910-address-by-the-minister-of-home-affairs-malusi-gigaba-mp-on-the-occasion-of-the-second-mkhaya-south-african-migrants-awards-in-johannesburg-on-11-december-2015.

Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 29 November 2016. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2016.

South Africa has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement by sustaining existing initiatives such as continuing to contribute funding the UNHCR. However, it has not developed concrete actions. Thus, South Africa receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Ben Xu

# Turkey: +1

Turkey has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 9 September 2016, the Disaster and Emergency Management Authority (AFAD), the Foreign Ministry, and the Turkish Red Crescent jointly coordinated to send a ship carrying 11,000 tons of humanitarian aid to East Africa, including around 178,000 diapers and foodstuff, to help alleviate the needs of internally displaced people in Ethiopia and Somalia. The AFAD noted that this is the 12th humanitarian aid ship sent to Somalia since 2011, and the amount of Turkish humanitarian aid to Somalia will reach 62,000 tons. <sup>1686</sup>

On 20 September 2016, the Government of Turkey announced the creation of a special task force to accelerate the integration of Syrian refugees into the labour market in cooperation with the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBITAK), Council of Higher Education (YÖK), National Education Ministry (MEB), Directorate of Turks Living Abroad and Related Communities (YTB) and the AFAD. Furthermore, the AFAD, the Housing Development Administration of Turkey (TOKI) and the Environment and Urban Planning Ministry are jointly coordinating to expedite efforts to provide affordable housing to refugees in Kilis and Hatay. 1688

On 20 September 2016, at the United Nations (UN) Summit for Refugees and Migrants, President Recep Tayyip Erdogan noted that Turkey is currently hosting nearly three million Syrian refugees. <sup>1689</sup> Furthermore, President Erdogan announced that Turkey has started to provide citizenship and work permits to Syrian refugees residing in Turkey after making the necessary legislative changes. <sup>1690</sup> The President noted that 310,000 school-age Syrian children have started to attend school in Turkey due to collaborative efforts between the Government of Turkey and non-governmental organizations. <sup>1691</sup> President Erdogan also noted that Turkey's registered spending for refugees has surpassed USD12

Turkish humanitarian aid ship leaves for East Africa, Anadolu Agency (Mersin) 9 September 2016. Access Date: 6 January 2017. http://aa.com.tr/en/africa/turkish-humanitarian-aid-ship-leaves-for-east-africa/644086.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1689</sup> Turkey's Erdogan challenges world leaders at UN Assembly to end bloodshed in Syria, UN News Centre (New York) 20 September 2016. Access Date: 10 December 2016.

http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=54972#.WEzbWalrl6V.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1690</sup> Turkey Announces Start of Process to Naturalize Syrian Refugees, The Syrian Observer (New York), 22 September 2016. Access Date: 10 December 2016.

http://syrianobserver.com/EN/News/31679/Turkey\_Announces\_Start\_Process\_Naturalize\_Syrian\_Refugees. 

1691 President Erdoğan Attends Leaders' Summit on Refugees, Presidency of the Republic of Turkey (New York) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 10 December 2016. http://www.tccb.gov.tr/en/news/542/52368/cumhurbaskanierdogan-multeciler-konulu-liderler-zirvesi-toplantisina-katildi.html.

billion, and that external financial support from other countries has amounted to USD512 million. 1692

On 28 September 2016, Deputy Minister of Education Orhan Erdem announced Turkey's plan to provide education for 450,000 school-aged Syrian refugees for the 2016-2017 academic year. In the 2015-2016 academic year, of the 814,000 school-age Syrian children currently in Turkey, only 340,000 received an education. 1693

On 21 October 2016, the Government of Turkey delivered 500 tons of humanitarian aid to 30 villages near Mosul, Iraq. The aid consisted of food and clothes for 45,000 internally displaced people. 1694

On 8 November 2016, the Ministry of Health released new data on refugee access to healthcare. According to the data, nearly one million Syrian refugees have received medical treatment in Turkey in 2016. Of the one million, over 967,000 have received in-patient treatment, around 800,000 have received operations, and over 177,000 babies have been born. Furthermore, medicines have been supplied free of charge. 1695

On 2 December 2016, the Ministry of Health, in collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO) and the European Union (EU), established a new initiative to provide approximately 600 Syrian refugees who are doctors in Syria with training to work at special clinics in Turkey. Under the program, Syrian doctors receive education from Turkish doctors on the Turkish health care system and ultimately obtain a certification allowing them to work in special clinics for refugees. 1696

On 7 December 2016, Deputy Prime Minister Veysi Kaynak said 78,824 Syrian children are being educated at temporary refugee centers. Additionally, the Deputy Prime Minister noted that around 133,400 Syrian students are being educated in state schools run by the Ministry of National Education. Furthermore, Deputy Prime Minister Kaynak said that the Government of Turkey had established just over 2,000 vocational training courses for adult refugees, and so far about 222,900 trainees have graduated in hairdressing, sewing, weaving, handicrafts, computing, and language courses. 1698

Turkey to educate up to 450,000 Syrian refugee children, Daily Sabah (Istanbul) 28 September 2016. Access Date: 10 December 2016. http://www.dailysabah.com/politics/2016/09/29/turkey-to-educate-up-to-450000-syrian-refugee-children.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1692</sup> President Erdoğan Attends Leaders' Summit on Refugees, Presidency of the Republic of Turkey (New York) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 10 December 2016. http://www.tccb.gov.tr/en/news/542/52368/cumhurbaskanierdogan-multeciler-konulu-liderler-zirvesi-toplantisina-katildi.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1694</sup> Turkey sends 500 tons of aid to Mosul amid humanitarian concerns, Daily Sabah (Istanbul) 21 October 2016. Access Date: 10 December 2016. http://www.dailysabah.com/nation/2016/10/21/turkey-sends-500-tons-of-aid-to-mosul-amid-humanitarian-concerns.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1696</sup> Training, certificate help Syrian refugee doctors become legitimate, Daily Sabah (Gaziantep) 2 December 2016. Access Date: 11 December 2016. http://www.dailysabah.com/legislation/2016/09/21/turkey-to-provide-employment-for-syrian-refugees-based-on-qualifications.

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On 9 December 2016, Deputy Prime Minister Numan Kurtulmus announced that the Presidency of Religious Affairs has launched a humanitarian campaign to deliver aid to civilians lacking access to basic humanitarian needs in Aleppo, Syria. 1699

On 16 December 2016, Minister of Health Recep Akdag stated that the Government of Turkey deployed three field hospitals and dispatched ambulances, as well as medical personnel on the Turkish-Syrian border for admission of the influx of injured Syrians evacuating Aleppo.<sup>1700</sup>

On 19 December 2016, the AFAD built a refugee camp with a capacity of 25,000 in Kahramanmaras. The camp offers facilities ranging from sixteen public training centers, four schools, eight children's playgrounds, four soccer fields, four basketball courts, a mosque, a grocery store, and two rehabilitation centres. Furthermore, Deputy Prime Minister Kaynak stated that following Operation Euphrates Shield, the Turkish military intervention in Syria, a permanent safezone was established in in the village of Kafaldin where civilians from Aleppo will be placed. The same content of the

On 24 December 2016, the Prime Ministry Directorate General of Press and Information announced that Turkey is readying tent camps for refugees in Idlib, Syria. 1704

On 27 December 2016, the AFAD upgraded a refugee camp in Osmaniye that was originally created in 2012 by improving the camp's facilities and increasing its capacity, so that it will be able to shelter just over 16,700 people. According to the AFAD, Turkey is sheltering close to 260,000 Syrians across twenty-six temporary housing facilities equipped with schools, hospitals, and athletic facilities. In 1706

On 27 December 2016, Deputy Prime Minister Veysi Kaynak said that the Government of Turkey is planning to set up a refugee camp in Syria near the Turkish-Syrian border that will host up to 80,000 internally displaced people who have fled Aleppo. The camp will be jointly set up by the Turkish Red Crescent, the AFAD, and the Foundation for Human Rights and Freedoms and Humanitarian

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1699</sup> Turkey launches humanitarian campaign in war-torn Aleppo, TRT World (Ankara) 9 December 2016. Access Date: 10 December 2016. http://www.trtworld.com/mea/turkey-launches-humanitarian-campaign-in-war-torn-aleppo-248427.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1700</sup> Turkey mobilized for Aleppo with tent camp, treatment of injured, Daily Sabah (Istanbul) 16 December 2016. Access Date: 31 December 2016. http://www.dailysabah.com/turkey/2016/12/17/turkey-mobilized-for-aleppo-with-tent-camp-treatment-of-injured.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1701</sup> Turkey opens 25,000-person capacity camp for Aleppo refugees, Daily Sabah (Kahramanmaraş) 19 December 2016. Access Date: 6 January 2017. http://www.dailysabah.com/politics/2016/12/19/turkey-opens-25000-person-capacity-camp-for-aleppo-refugees.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1702</sup> Two-story refugee camp in Turkey offers the best for Syrians, Daily Sabah (Istanbul) 25 December 2016. Access Date: 6 January 2017. http://www.dailysabah.com/turkey/2016/12/26/two-story-refugee-camp-in-turkey-offers-the-best-for-syrians.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1703</sup> Turkey opens 25,000-person capacity camp for Aleppo refugees, Daily Sabah (Kahramanmaraş) 19 December 2016. Access Date: 6 January 2017. http://www.dailysabah.com/politics/2016/12/19/turkey-opens-25000-person-capacity-camp-for-aleppo-refugees.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1706</sup> Turkey readies improved camp for Aleppo civilians, Anadolu Agency (Osmaniye) 27 December 2016. Access Date: 6 January 2017.

http://aa.com.tr/en/middle-east/turkey-readies-improved-camp-for-aleppo-civilians/714964.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1707</sup> Turkey to set up new refugee camp for war-wounded Aleppo evacuees, al-Bawabla News (Abu Dhabi) 17 December 2016. Access Date: 31 December 2016.

http://www.albawaba.com/news/turkey-set-new-refugee-camp-war-wounded-aleppo-evacuees-915908.

Relief (IHH). It will be protected by the Turkish air defense system. Additionally, the Deputy Prime Minister said that the Turkish government will also establish little villages in the southern border province of Kilis where hundreds of thousands of refugees will be able to take temporary refuge. <sup>1708</sup>

On 28 December 2016, the Sanliurfa Governor's Office, in cooperation with the International Middle East Peace Research Center established a 24/7 call center designed to help Syrian refugees find solutions to health, education, and security issues they face. The call center will be operated by 22 qualified personnel, including translators, lawyers, and psychologists, who will provide a range of services to Syrian refugees.<sup>1709</sup>

On 6 January 2017, President Erdogan announced that certain Syrian and Iraqi refugees who pass a screening process conducted by the Ministry of Interior will be granted Turkish citizenship. <sup>1710</sup>

In 2016, Turkey contributed USD1 million to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). <sup>1711</sup> As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed USD300,000 in 2017. <sup>1712</sup>

Turkey has fully complied with its commitment to address the issue of forced displacement by developing concrete actions such as creating new refugee camps and integrating refugees into Turkish society by offering education, citizenship, and lawful work, and sustaining existing initiatives such as continuing to provide humanitarian aid and contribute funds to the UNHCR. Thus, Turkey receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Engin Polar

### **United Kingdom: 0**

The United Kingdom has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 6 September 2016, Minister of Immigration Robert Goodwill announced that the UK struck a USD23 million deal with France to begin constructing a wall in Calais to prevent refugees and migrants from crossing over from France to the UK. 1713

On 20 September 2016, Prime Minister Theresa May announced at the United Nations (UN) Summit for Refugees and Migrants that the UK government will provide an additional "almost \$2 billion" in humanitarian support for the refugee crisis. May also announced the following: a new jobs compact between the UK, Ethiopia, the World Bank, the EIB and the EU, to which the UK will contribute \$104 million; and an initial \$3.25 million contribution to the UN and IOM emerging

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1708</sup> Turkey to set up safe zone for Syrian refugees, Daily Sabah (Istanbul) 27 December 2016. Access Date: 31 December 2016.

http://www.dailysabah.com/politics/2016/12/28/turkey-to-set-up-safe-zone-for-syrian-refugees.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1709</sup> Turkey introduces 24/7 call center for Syrian refugees, Anadolu Agency (Sanliurfa) 28 December 2016. Access Date: 6 January 2017.

http://aa.com.tr/en/todays-headlines/turkey-introduces-24-7-call-center-for-syrian-refugees/715907.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1710</sup> Erdogan offers citizenship to Syrian and Iraqi refugees, Al Jazeera (Ankara) 6 January 2017. Access Date: 6 January 2017.

http://www.aljazeera.com/news/2017/01/erdogan-offers-citizenship-syrian-iraqi-refugees-170106195134961.html. <sup>1711</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 11 December 2016. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-

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1712 Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2017. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2017.

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1713 UK to build "big new wall" in Calais to stop migrants, CNN (London) 7 September 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016. http://edition.cnn.com/2016/09/07/europe/calais-wall-migrants/.

countries resettlement fund.<sup>1714</sup> The UK government will allocate GBP20 million from this financial package to the UNHCR to ensure the return of Somali refugees to their home country from camps in Kenya, and contribute the remaining GBP80 million to support Ethiopia in creating 100,000 jobs in the country, 30,000 of which have to be for Eritrean refugees.<sup>1715</sup>

Also on 20 September 2016, Prime Minister May announced that the UK will contribute USD3.25 million to the UN and International Organization for Migration (IOM) emerging countries resettlement fund. Prime Minister May also pledged that the UK will provide a total of USD2 billion of financial assistance to refugees, marking a 10 per cent increase from last year. 1717

On 28 September 2016, the Government of the UK pledged USD3.9 million to the Sudan Humanitarian Fund to strengthen Sudan's ability to assist South Sudanese refugees and other vulnerable people. 1718

On 10 October 2016, Home Secretary Amber Rudd announced that the UK will accept as many child refugees as possible from the refugee camp in Calais, France before its closure. 1719

On 24 October 2016, Home Secretary Rudd confirmed that the UK has transferred close to 200 children from the refugee camp in Calais into its borders. The She stated that the UK will receive several hundred that the UK will receive several hundred.

In 2016, the Home Office accepted accepted 900 unaccompanied asylum-seeking children to the UK, of which 750 were from the Calais refugee camp. However, in December 2016, the Home Office

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1714</sup> PM speech at the Leaders Summit on Refugees, 20 September 2016, UK Government. Date of Access: 04 April 2017. https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/pm-speech-at-leaders-summit-on-refugees-20-september-2016 <sup>1715</sup> Theresa May's plan to spend £100m keeping migrants away from the UK torn apart by War Child, The Huffington Post (London) 21 September 2016. Access Date: 1 December 2016. http://www.huffingtonpost.co.uk/entry/theresamay-foreign-aid-migrants-refugees-ethiopia-somalia uk 57e23f22e4b0db20a6e78c27.

PM Speech at Leaders Summit on Refugees: 20 September 2016, The Government of the United Kingdom (New York) 20 September 2016. Access Date: 1 December 2016. https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/pm-speech-at-leaders-summit-on-refugees-20-september-2016.

PM Speech at Leaders Summit on Refugees: 20 September 2016, The Government of the United Kingdom (New York) 20 September 2016. Access Date: 1 December 2016. https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/pm-speech-at-leaders-summit-on-refugees-20-september-2016.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1719</sup> UK finally agrees to accept unaccompanied child refugees from Calais 'Jungle', Global Citizen (New York) 11 October 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016. https://www.globalcitizen.org/en/content/uk-child-refugees-amberrudd-calais/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1720</sup> UK takes nearly 200 child refugees from Calais camp, Rudd says – as it happens, The Guardian (London) 24 October 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016. https://www.theguardian.com/world/live/2016/oct/24/calais-camp-riot-police-prepare-demolish-refugees-migrant.

<sup>1721</sup> Calais migrants: 'Several hundred' more child refugees to arrive in UK, BBC (London) 24 October 2016. Access Date:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1/21</sup> Calais migrants: 'Several hundred' more child refugees to arrive in UK, BBC (London) 24 October 2016. Access Date 30 November 2016. http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-37752193.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1722</sup> Calais migrants: 'Several hundred' more child refugees to arrive in UK, BBC (London) 24 October 2016. Access Date: 30 November 2016. http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-37752193.

Refugees: Children: Written question - 58748, UK Parliament (London) 6 January 2017. Access Date: 12 January 2017. http://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-question/Commons/2017-01-06/58748/.

stopped transfers of Calais child refugees to the UK, leaving 1,000 minors in doubt of obtaining refuge. 1724

As of 18 January 2017, the UK has resettled 4,400 Syrian refugees under the Syrian vulnerable persons resettlement scheme, which pledged to resettle 20,00 Syrian refugees in the UK by 2020. 1725

In 2016, the United Kingdom contributed USD173.2 million to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed USD10.5 million in 2017. 1727

On 8 February 2017, the UK parliament announced that, in accordance with section 67 of the Immigration Ace, the UK will transfer 350 children "who reasonably meet the intention and spirit behind the provision." Of this amount 200 children have been transferred from France. 1728

The UK has partially complied with its commitment to address forced displacement by sustaining existing initiatives such as financial assistance to refugees and relevant organizations such as the UNHCR and WFP. While it began to develop concrete actions by accepting the transfer of refugees from the Calais camp in France, it stopped this initiative and is funding construction of a wall in Calais. Thus, the UK receives a score of 0.

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#### United States: +1

The United States has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 13 September 2016, Secretary of State John Kerry announced in Congress that the US will be accepting 110,000 refugees in the 2017 fiscal year. 1729

On 20 September 2016, President Barack Obama hosted the Leader's Summit on Refugees at the United Nations (UN). <sup>1730</sup> At the Summit, countries reaffirmed their commitment to increase legal assistance for refugees, ensure shelter, and work opportunities. <sup>1731</sup>

Home Office stops transfer of Calais child refugees to UK, The Guardian (London) 9 December 2016. Access Date: 12 January 2017. https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2016/dec/09/home-office-transfers-of-calais-child-refugees-to-uk-cease.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1725</sup> UK community refugee scheme has resettled only two Syrian families, The Guardian (London) 18 January 2017. Access Date: 19 January 2017. https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2017/jan/18/uk-community-refugee-scheme-has-resettled-only-two-syrian-families.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1726</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 21 December 2016. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2016.

Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2017. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1728</sup> Immigration: Written statement – HCWS467, 8 February 2017, UK Parliament. Date of Access: 04 April 2017. https://www.parliament.uk/business/publications/written-questions-answers-statements/written-statement/Commons/2017-02-08/HCWS467/

Obama plans big boost in refugees the US will accept over next year, USA Today (Virginia). 14 September 2016. Access Date: 15 November 2016. http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2016/09/14/white-house-syrian-refugees-110000-2017/90359988/.

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On 11 October 2016, Assistant Secretary at the Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration Anne Richards announced a pilot project for a private refugee sponsorship program at the Concordia Summit's Private Sector Forum on Refugees and Migration. The pilot project will be launched in 2017 in collaboration with the Department of State and the Refugee Council.

On 13 November 2016, Secretary of State Kerry confirmed that the US would be accepting refugees and asylum seekers from Nauru and Papua New Guinea for resettlement.<sup>1734</sup> This is part of a deal with the Government of Australia and the number of persons accepted is 300-400.<sup>1735</sup>

On 13 November 2016, the US government reached a refugee resettlement agreement for with Australia. The agreement prioritizes the resettlement of refugees who are most vulnerable, namely women, children, and families. US authorities are to conduct their own assessment or refugees and decide which people are resettled in the US, and refugees will need to satisfy standard requirements for admission into the US. Table 18.

On 12 January 2017, President Barack Obama ended the 1966 Cuban Adjustment Act where illegal migrants fleeing Cuba were granted permanent residence, a year after arriving to the US. 1739 President Barack Obama stated that illegal migrants from Cuba "will be subject to removal." 1740

In 2016, the US contributed USD1.5 billion to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). <sup>1741</sup> It has yet to contribute anything to the UNHCR in 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1732</sup> Private refugee sponsorship gains crucial new support, The Huffington Post (New York) 26 September 2016. Access Date: 15 November 2016. http://www.huffingtonpost.com/matthew-la-corte/private-refugee-sponsorship\_b\_12139720.html.

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1734 US to resettle Australia's refugees languishing on islands, USA Today (Virginia) 13 November 2016. Access Date: 15 November 2016. http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/world/2016/11/13/united-states-resettle-australias-refugees-pacific-islands/93759832/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1735</sup> US will reportedly take only up to 400 refugees under Australia deal, The Guardian (London) 29 November 2016. Access Date: 5 January 2016. https://www.theguardian.com/australia-news/2016/nov/29/us-australia-refugee-deal-only-400-dutton

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1736</sup> Refugee resettlement from Regional Process Centre, Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Canberra) 13 November 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://www.minister.border.gov.au/peterdutton/Pages/Refugee-resettlement-from-Regional-Process-Centres.aspx.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1737</sup> Refugee resettlement from Regional Process Centre, Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Canberra) 13 November 2016. Access Date: 25 January 2017. http://www.minister.border.gov.au/peterdutton/Pages/Refugee-resettlement-from-Regional-Process-Centres.aspx.

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<sup>1739</sup> Obama ending special immigration status for migrants fleeing Cuba, The Washington Post (Washington) 12 January 2017. Access Date: 12 January 2017. https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/obama-ending-wetfoot-dry-foot-policy-allowing-cubans-reaching-us-soil-to-stay-and-receive-residency/2017/01/12/21bbaac2-d912-11e6-b8b2-cb5164beba6b\_story.html?utm\_term=.9007159d9eba.

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Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2016. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles?y=2016.

The United States has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement by developing new concrete actions such as the new resettlement pledges for 2017 and the creation of a pilot project for private refugee sponsorship, and sustaining existing initiatives by continuing to contribute funds to the UNHCR. Thus, the United States receives a score of +1.

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# European Union: +1

The European Union has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement in 2017 with a view to developing concrete actions.

On 8 September 2016, the EU announced the creation of the Emergency Social Safety Net (ESSN) that will allow up to one million vulnerable refugees in Turkey to receive monthly cash transfers through electronic cards. <sup>1742</sup> On top of the EUR164 million that the EU directed towards humanitarian aid projects since the start of 2016, the EU will direct another EUR348 million for the ESSN. <sup>1743</sup>

On 16 September 2016, the EU obliged to requests from Bulgaria for emergency funding and provided up to EUR108 million to support border and migration management. This funding will also be used to increase reception capacities and capacities of asylum service and to strengthen border surveillance and border control activities.

On 28 September 2016, the EU approved of the allocation of two grants in total of EUR600 million to fund education and health for Syrian refugees and host communities in Turkey. <sup>1746</sup> The grants are a part of the EUR1.415 billion Special Measure adopted by the European Commission at the end of July 2016. <sup>1747</sup>

On 11 November 2016, the EU announced that the European Commission would allocate EUR78 million to aid displaced populations affected by the South Sudan crisis. <sup>1748</sup> EUR40 million of the funding will be directed to support humanitarian organizations in South Sudan. <sup>1749</sup> EUR30 million will be allocated assist displaced South Sudanese in Uganda and EUR8 million will be allocated to

<sup>1742</sup> Questions and answers: Support for refugees in Turkey through the Emergency Social Safety Net (ESSN), European Commission (Brussels) 8 September 2016. Access Date: 29 November 2016. http://europa.eu/rapid/pressrelease MEMO-16-2989 en.htm.

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<sup>1746</sup> European Commission announces up to €108 million in emergency funding to Bulgaria to improve border and migration management, European Commission (Brussels) 16 September 2016. Access Date: 29 November 2016. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-16-3088\_en.htm.

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EU announces €78 million for South Sudan crisis, European Commission (Brussels) 11 November 2016. Access Date: 29 November 2016. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-16-3621 en.htm.

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help those displaced in neighbouring Sudan. 1750 The funding will support emergency measures dedicated to shelter, nutrition, health care, sanitation, and protection. <sup>1751</sup> Since December 2013, the EU has provided EUR500 million for the South Sudan crisis. 1752

On 17 November 2016, the European Parliament and the European Council reached an agreement on the 2017 EU budget, which ensures more funding for the reception and integration of refugees, and addresses the root causes of migration in countries of origin and transit. 1753 The 2017 EU budget includes EUR157.9 billion in commitments and EUR134.5 billion in payment credits.<sup>1754</sup> EUR6 billion will be dedicated to supporting the protection of external borders and addressing the refugee crisis. 1755 As such, half of the EUR6 billion will support actions within the EU, and the other half of the funding will support actions outside of the EU to address the root causes of migration. 1756 EUR200 million will also be granted to support humanitarian assistance within the EU. 1757

On 6 December 2016, the EU Regional Trust Fund in Response to the Syrian crisis adopted a EUR139 million assistance package to support stabilization needs in Iraq and refugees in Lebanon who have fled Syria and other host communities. 1758 Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations Johannes Hahn stated that the funding would support the EU's goal to mobilize EUR1 billion for the EU Syria Trust Fund and expects that the EU will exceed EUR1.2 billion by early 2017. 1759

On 15 December 2016, the EU partnered with the Governments of Germany and Italy and the International Organization for Migration (IOM) to launch an initiative supporting migrant protection and reintegration in Africa along Central Mediterranean migration routes. 1760 Through the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1750</sup> EU announces €78 million for South Sudan crisis, European Commission (Brussels) 11 November 2016. Access Date: 29 November 2016. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-16-3621\_en.htm.

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EU and IOM launch initiative for migrant protection and reintegration in Africa along the Central Mediterranean migration routes, European Commission (Brussels) 15 December 2016. Access Date: 13 January 2016. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-16-4404 en.htm.

EU Trust Fund for Africa, EUR100 million will be used to collaborate with local, national and international stakeholders to implement projects in 14 countries. <sup>1761</sup> The 3-year initiative will focus on increasing protection and assistance for vulnerable and stranded migrants, facilitating voluntary return of migrants to their homes, and achieving sustainable reintegration. The initiative will also enhance government and stakeholder policies and responses, give access to accurate information on migration to approximately 200,000 migrants and 2,000 communities, and improve data on migration flows, routes, trends, migrants' needs and migrants' vulnerabilities. 1763

On 15 December 2016, the European Commission adopted a EUR170 million package of 11 measures for the EU Trust Fund for Africa to address instability, irregular migration and forced displacement in the Horn of Africa.<sup>1764</sup> The EU Trust Fund for Africa aims to find solutions to destabilisation, displacement and irregular migration by promoting economic and equal opportunities, security, and development. 1765

On 22 December 2016, the European Commission contracted EUR270 million to support education for 70,000 Syrian refugee children in Turkey. 1766 These contracts will support the construction and equipping of 100 school buildings and assist the Turkish Ministry of National Education to handle educational infrastructure. 1767

In 2016, the EU contributed USD360.5 million to the UNHCR. 1768 As of 18 January 2017, it has contributed USD105.5 million in 2017. 1769

The EU has fully complied with its commitment to address forced displacement by developing concrete actions such as the ESSN and an initiative in cooperation with the IOM and Government of Italy to support migrant protection and reintegration in Africa along Central Mediterranean migration routes. It has also sustained existing initiatives by continuing to provide funds to host countries and organizations. Thus, the European Union receives a score of +1.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1761</sup> EU and IOM launch initiative for migrant protection and reintegration in Africa along the Central Mediterranean migration routes, European Commission (Brussels) 15 December 2016. Access Date: 13 January 2016. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-16-4404 en.htm.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1763</sup> EU and IOM launch initiative for migrant protection and reintegration in Africa along the Central Mediterranean migration routes, European Commission (Brussels) 15 December 2016. Access Date: 13 January 2016. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-16-4404 en.htm.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1765</sup> The EU Emergency Trust Fund for Africa, European Commission (Brussels) 13 January 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2017. https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/regions/africa/eu-emergency-trust-fund-africa en.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1766</sup> Facility for Refugees in Turkey: the EU invests in the education of 70,000 Syrian refugee children (Brussels) 22 December 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2017. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-16-4451 en.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1767</sup> Facility for Refugees in Turkey: the EU invests in the education of 70,000 Syrian refugee children (Brussels) 22 December 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2017. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-16-4451 en.htm.

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profiles?y=2016. <sup>1769</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2017. Access Date: 18 January 2017. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donorprofiles?y=2017.