

APPLYING COMPREHENSIVE RESPONSES (CRRF) IN AFRICA



Refugees and Ethiopians receive vocational training through the German Qualifications and Employment Prospects Programme for Refugees and Host Communities in Ethiopia (QEP-GIZ).

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I. NEW YORK DECLARATION COMMITMENTS (19 SEPTEMBER 2016)



Shared global responsibility

Specific acknowledgement that the protection of refugees and assistance to host States are a shared international responsibility.



Whole of society approach

Stronger partnerships between host governments including line ministries, UN Agencies, development actors, the private sector, NGOs, financial institutions, and civil society.



Supporting host countries

Providing them with additional and predictable humanitarian funding and development support.



Well-funded emergency responses

Pledge to meet the needs of refugees and host communities from the start of emergencies.



Self-reliance

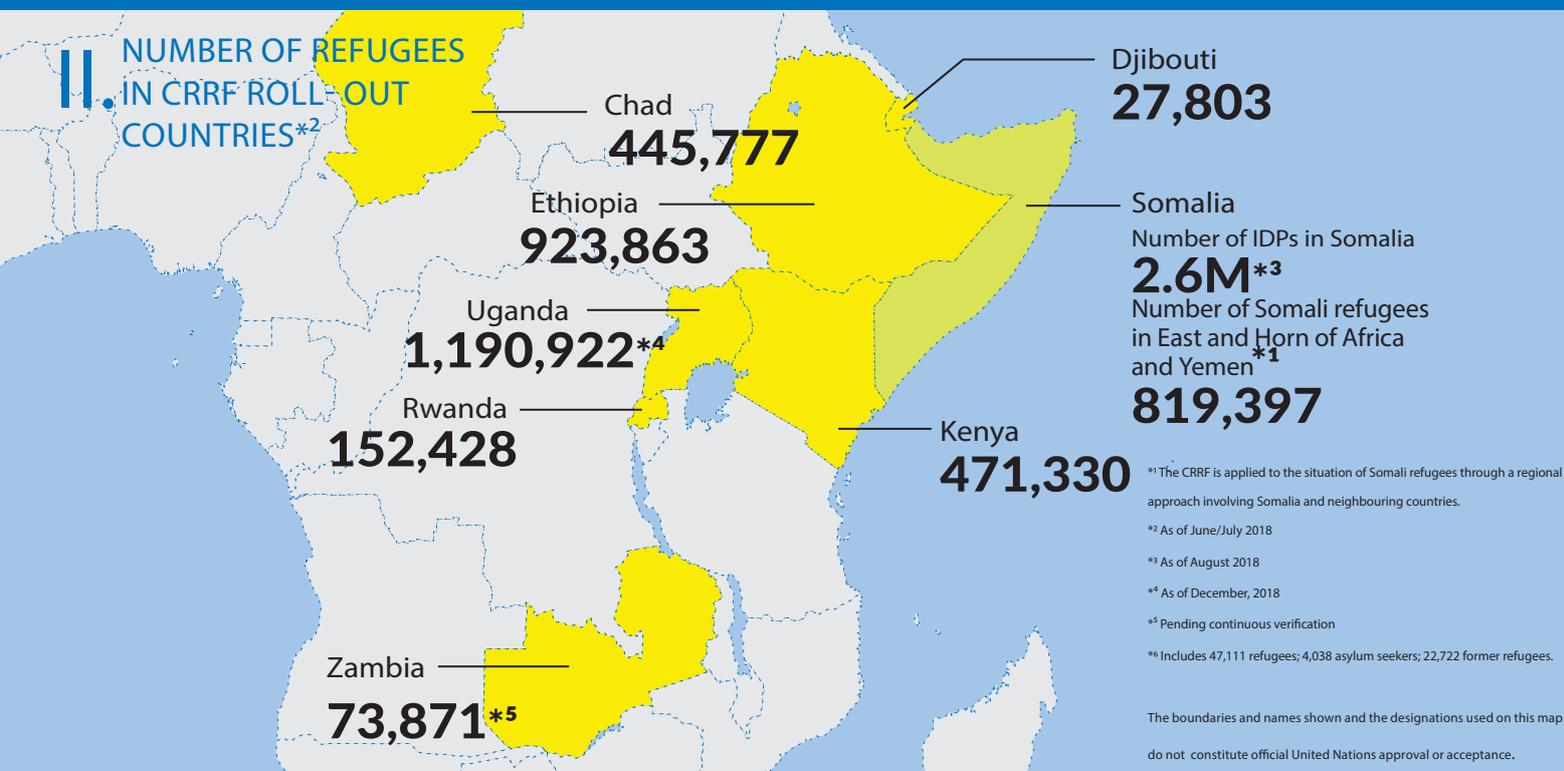
Commitment to include refugees in national development plans and invest in the future of refugees and local communities alike.



Enhancing durable solutions

Commit to wider avenues for refugees through resettlement and complementary pathways, and create conditions in countries of origin that are conducive to return.

II. NUMBER OF REFUGEES IN CRRF ROLL-OUT COUNTRIES*2



*1 The CRRF is applied to the situation of Somali refugees through a regional approach involving Somalia and neighbouring countries.

*2 As of June/July 2018

*3 As of August 2018

*4 As of December, 2018

*5 Pending continuous verification

*6 Includes 47,111 refugees; 4,038 asylum seekers; 22,722 former refugees.

KEY AREAS OF APPLICATION AND PROGRESS

• The CRRF roll-out will be guided by the Government's pledges made at the Leaders' Summit*, which include to:

1. Improve access to **secondary education**;

2. Encourage universities to offer refugees the **same tuition as Chadian** students;

3. Provide access to **arable land** for up to 236,000 refugees; and

4. Issue **birth certificates** for an estimated 140,000 refugee children.

• The Chadian President has exceptionally authorised free "jugements supplétifs" to **enable late birth registration for more than 120,000 refugee children** who were born between 2003 and 2015; and were not able to register before the 3-month birth time limit .

• The CRRF builds on the three pledges made at the Leaders' Summit, namely to:

1. Adopt a **new refugee law** giving more rights to refugees;

2. Provide **quality education** to all refugee children; and

3. Grant refugees access to **national health system**.

• In an effort to boost refugees' computer literacy, a **new IT learning centre** was established in Markazi settlement **benefitting 2,000 Yemeni refugees living there**. The centre was built with U.S. State Department's Julia Taft Grant and is supported by the Danish Refugee Council.

• The CRRF is the **vehicle to implement 9 pledges** made by the Government, which are divided into **6 thematic areas**:

1. Out of camp policy

2. Education

3. Work and livelihoods

4. Documentation

5. Other social / basic services

6. Local integration

• The German Corporation for International Cooperation (GIZ) has launched a **5-year "Qualifications and employment perspectives programme"** to create better employment perspectives for refugees and Ethiopians. The QEP programme **will benefit 1,500 refugees and Ethiopians**.

• The CRRF builds on the Government's pledges, as follows:

1. Undertake **self-reliance and inclusion measures** for refugees in Kenya;

2. Facilitate the **legal status** for refugees with claims to citizenship/residency through marriage and parentage; and

3. **Facilitate school enrolment** of refugees and Kenyans.

• Refugees in Kakuma and Kalobeyei **participated in discussions with Turkana County officials** on the draft Finance Bill for Turkana. This is a true reflection of **inclusivity for refugees in local affairs**.

Rwanda

Uganda

Zambia

Regional approach for Somali refugees

KEY AREAS OF APPLICATION AND PROGRESS

• The CRRF is guided by the Government's pledges, which include to:

1. Allow 58,000 refugees to **enjoy banking services**;

2. Issue **ID cards and travel documents** to 160,000 refugees;

3. Allow 30,000 urban refugees to buy into the **national health insurance**; and

4. Improve refugee children's inclusion in the **national education system**.

• The '**machine-readable' Convention Travel Documents** for refugees has been launched. The new ID **will enable refugees to travel abroad** for business and education opportunities.

• The CRRF in Uganda addresses **5 key areas**:

1. Admission and rights;

2. Emergency response and ongoing needs;

3. Resilience and self-reliance;

4. Expanded solutions; and

5. Voluntary repatriation.

• **Two refugees have been elected** by refugee representative as **members of the CRRF Steering Group**, - the highest decision-making body for the comprehensive refugee response in Uganda .

The CRRF builds on the Government's pledges, which include to:

1. **Locally integrate** eligible Angolans, Rwandans, and protracted Congolese refugees;

2. Consider **relaxing the encampment policy**;

3. Enhance measures for **refugees to access work**;

4. Improve access to **education in settlements**; and

5. Provide access to **civil registration** and other **legal documents**.

• **Kalumbila town** hosting more than 21,000 refugees, asylum-seekers and former refugees **has joined 63 cities worldwide in the #WithRefugees Cities initiative**, in solidarity with refugees. The town commits to be a more hospitable and welcoming place for refugees.

• The CRRF approach to the Somali situation:

1. Addresses the **root causes of displacement**, and

2. **Fosters burden-sharing** among countries in the region hosting Somali refugees.

REGIONAL LEVEL:

• IGAD Member States that signed the Djibouti Declaration are working to **include refugees in their national education systems by 2020**.

INSIDE SOMALIA:

• **900 refugee children and young asylum-seekers from Ethiopia have been included in 25 public schools in Somaliland**.