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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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## 7. Migration

"We commit to addressing the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safely."

Hamburg Summit Leaders' Declaration

## Assessment

	No Compliance	Partial Compliance	Full Compliance
Argentina			+1
Australia		0	
Brazil			+1
Canada			+1
China		0	
France			+1
Germany			+1
India		0	
Indonesia		0	
Italy		0	
Japan		0	
Korea		0	
Mexico		0	
Russia		0	
Saudi Arabia		0	
South Africa		0	
Turkey			+1
United Kingdom		0	
United States		0	
European Union			+1
Average		+0.35	

## **Background**

The G20 first committed to addressing the global refugee crisis at the 2015 G20 Summit in Antalya. By that time, worldwide displacement had reached an ultimate high of approximately 59.5 million persons displaced.<sup>3027</sup> The cause of mass migration was widespread war, conflict, and persecution in Africa, the Middle East, and Asia. Thus in 2015, the G20 committed to strengthening support to provide protection for refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs).<sup>3028</sup>

At the 2016 Hangzhou Summit, G20 leaders continued to address the global refugee crisis and recognized that migration numbers had reached a scale unseen since World War II.<sup>3029</sup> In Hangzhou, G20 leaders recognized the potential for mass migration to challenge the future of global economic growth and thus reiterated their support for addressing the root causes of displacement, protecting

<sup>3028</sup> G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Antalya Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 16 November 2015. Access Date: 29 October 2017. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2015/151116-communique.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3027</sup> Worldwide displacement hits all-time high as war and persecution increase, UNHCR (Geneva) 18 June 2015. Access Date: 29 October 2017. http://www.unhcr.org/news/latest/2015/6/558193896/worldwide-displacement-hits-all-time-high-war-persecution-increase.html.

<sup>3029</sup> G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Hangzhou Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 5 September 2016. Access Date: 29 October 2017. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2016/160905-communique.html.

refugees, and creating a better system of shared responsibility.<sup>3030</sup> They also called for "strengthening humanitarian assistance for refugees and refugee resettlement."<sup>3031</sup>

Two years after the G20 made its first commitments in response to the global refugee crisis, massive influxes of refugees and migrants continue to affect G20 members. While old crises are still unfolding, new humanitarian disasters are emanating. In June 2017, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) reported that by the end of 2016, 65.6 million individuals were forcibly displaced worldwide. 3032

Thus at the 2017 Hamburg Summit, G20 leaders recognized the main drivers of forced displacement to be conflicts, natural disasters, and human rights violations and abuses.<sup>3033</sup> In particular, they acknowledged that irregular migration and forced displacement poses many complex challenges for countries of origin, transit, and destination, and that safe, orderly and regular migration can lead to substantial social and economic benefits.<sup>3034</sup> While G20 leaders reiterated old commitments to address the root causes of displacement, they also made new, unprecedented promises to address migration. In the *Leaders' Declaration*, the G20 committed to counter migrant smuggling and trafficking and increase the promotion of economic development in countries where displacement occurs.<sup>3035</sup> They also stressed the particular importance of addressing the distinct needs of refugees and migrants and enabling refugees and migrants to return home safely when it is possible.

#### **Commitment Features**

The G20 committed to "addressing the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safely."

It is important to distinguish between refugees and migrants. Migration is a "movement that takes place outside the regulatorynorms of the sending, transit and receiving countries." <sup>3036</sup> It may be an internal movement within a country. However, it also can, but does not require, the crossing of international borders. Migrants refer to those "who move across an international border or within a State away from his/her habitual place of residence" <sup>3037</sup> and include asylum seekers, refugees, and internally displaced persons (IDPs). <sup>3038</sup>A refugee is "someone who has been forced to flee his or her country because of persecution, war, or violence" <sup>3039</sup> and "has a well-founded fear of persecution for reasons of race, religion, nationality, political opinion or membership in a particular social group." <sup>3040</sup>

http://www.unrefugees.org/what-is-a-refugee/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3030</sup>G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Hangzhou Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 5 September 2016. Access Date: 29 October 2017. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2016/160905-communique.html.

<sup>3031</sup> G20 Leaders' Communiqué: Hangzhou Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 5 September 2016. Access Date: 29 October 2017. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2016/160905-communique.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3032</sup>Global Trends: Forced Displacement 2016, UNHCR (Geneva) 19 June 2017. Access Date: 30 October 2017.

http://www.unhcr.org/statistics/unhcrstats/5943e8a34/global-trends-forced-displacement-2016.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3033</sup> G20 Leaders' Declaration: Hamburg Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 8 July 2017. Access Date: 29 October 2017. http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2017/2017-G20-leaders-declaration.html.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3036</sup> Key Migration Terms, IOM. Access Date: 1 February 2017. http://www.iom.int/key-migration-terms.

Key Migration Terms, IOM. Access Date: 1 February 2017. http://www.iom.int/key-migration-terms.

<sup>3038</sup> Key Migration Terms, IOM. Access Date: 1 February 2017. http://www.iom.int/key-migration-terms.

What is a refugee?, USA for UNHCR (Washington). Access Date: 1 February 2017.

http://www.unrefugees.org/what-is-a-refugee/.

What is a refugee?, USA for UNHCR (Washington). Access Date: 1 February 2017.

In contrast, an asylum seeker is someone who has similarly experienced persecution in their country of origin and is waiting to gain asylum or refugeestatus into a safe country. 3041 Further, IDPs are "persons or a group of persons who have been forced or obliged to flee or to leave their homes or places of habitual residence"3042 due to or in order to avoid armed conflict, generalized violence, violations of human rights or natural disasters. 3043 Unlike refugees, they have not crossed an internationally recognized State border to find safety.<sup>3044</sup> Given that refugees thus are a sub-category of migrants, and that the term "migrant" additionally includes asylum seekers and IDPs, this commitment will refer to "migrants" rather than "refugees and migrants" for the sake of simplicity.

"Addressing the distinct needs of refugees and migrants" refers to the unique needs of migrants in light of their circumstances. These needs are specific to migrants and are a direct result of their particular circumstances. These can include basic needs such as access to food, water, and shelter as well as more complex needs such as psychological, economic, or legal support. Many have undergone traumatic experiences, been exposed to violence, become dependent on external support, and have limited economic opportunities to rebuild their livelihoods. 3045 Providing these needs is thus humanitarian in nature and requires a multi-sectorial response.

Furthermore, supporting migrants who are "close to their region of origin" implies a particular emphasis on addressing the needs of migrants who are currently located near their country of origin, which is either inside or near the territory of a G20 member. This commitment is therefore divided into two components: taking concrete and tangible actions at the 1) domestic level and 2) international level, to provide address the distinct needs of migrants.

## **Part One: Domestic Actions**

In taking domestic action to meet the distinct needs of migrants, members must support the resettlement needs and provide support for migrants in their own jurisdictions. This implies that refugees must receive the rights they are entitled to according to the 1951 UN Refugee Convention, including economic and social rights, and should have "access to medical care, schooling and the right to work."3046 Other migrants, such as asylum seekers, must also be subject to fair asylum procedures. G20 members could provide "services to facilitate [refugee] integration, such as cultural orientation, language and vocational training, as well as programmes to promote access to education and employment." 3047 Other examples could also include supporting psychological services, enhancing opportunities for employment, and providing educational opportunities for refugee children, and enhancing refugees' equal and fair access to justice in a court of law, among others.<sup>3048</sup>

## Part Two: International Actions

Members can also take action to meet the distinct needs of migrants on an international level by providing humanitarian and/or financial assistance and other forms of support to host countries, migrant populations abroad, or other organizations including UNHCR and non-governmental

http://www.unhcr.org/4885959c2.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3041</sup> Key Migration Terms, IOM. Access Date: 1 February 2017. http://www.iom.int/key-migration-terms.

Key Migration Terms, IOM. Access Date: 1 February 2017. http://www.iom.int/key-migration-terms

Key Migration Terms, IOM. Access Date: 1 February 2017. http://www.iom.int/key-migration-terms.

Key Migration Terms, IOM. Access Date: 1 February 2017. http://www.iom.int/key-migration-terms.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3045</sup> UNHCR's Guiding Principles 2008-2012, UNHCR. Access Date: 1 November 2017.

Protecting Refugees: questions and answers, UNHCR (Geneva) 1 February 2002. Access Date: 4 November 2017. http://www.unhcr.org/afr/publications/brochures/3b779dfe2/protecting-refugees-questions-answers.html.

<sup>;</sup> Resettlement, UNHCR. Access Date: 30 October 2017. http://www.unhcr.org/resettlement.html.

Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees, United Nations 28 July 1951. Access Date: 30 October 2017. http://www.unhcr.org/3b66c2aa10.

organizations (NGOs) who are working to meet the needs of migrants. Taking international action thus encompasses supporting programs to provide access to clean water, food, and adequate shelter for migrants, as well as providing health, psychological and educational services. Members can also provide support for refugee resettlement efforts and assist other countries develop a great capacity to offer protection.

"When applicable, to enable them to return home safely" implies efforts allowing for the return of migrants to their countries of origin when it is justifiable and safe to do so. Enabling their safe return is an international action in nature as it involves the crossing of national borders. Furthermore, facilitating migrants' return to their countries of origin also counts towards meeting their distinct needs by helping to resettle them at home.

According to the Refugee Convention, "no Contracting State shall expel or return refugee in any manner whatsoever to the frontiers of territories where his life or freedom would be threatened on account of his race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinion." Refugees must "return in safety and with dignity to their country of origin and re-avail themselves of national protection." Hence, the option to return home must be voluntary in nature. Assisted voluntary return is the "administrative, logistical, financial and reintegration support to rejected asylum seekers, victims of trafficking in human beings, stranded migrants, qualified nationals and other migrants unable or unwilling to remain in the host country who volunteer to return to their countries of origin." Actions to enable the safe return include offering specialized assistance and services to migrants in situations of vulnerability, facilitating travel documentation, assisting with travel arrangements and contributions to and cooperation with assisted voluntary return programs operated by external organizations. Other aspects include "public assurances of personal safety, integrity, non-discrimination and freedom from fear of persecution or punishment upon return, physical safety protection from armed attacks" and access to land or means of livelihood." after the frontiers of territories where his life or freedom would be threatened on accountry of origin and re-avail themselves of particular social group or political or publical and re-avail themselves of particular social group or political or protection and particular social group or political or protection and particular social group or political or protection and particular social group or political or protection or punishment upon return, physical safety protection from armed attacks" and access to land or means of livelihood."

Enabling the return of migrants to their homes without satisfying the above criteria will thus be counted negatively towards compliance. This includes failing to facilitate their return when it is applicable to do so or facilitating their return when it is not applicable to do so. Furthermore, when it is not applicable to enable migrants to return home safely, G20 members must support their local integration and resettlement instead.

To achieve full compliance, G20 members must take concrete action to address the distinct needs of migrants both domestically and internationally. When applicable, G20 members must also take steps to enable their safe return home in order to fulfill the international aspect of the commitment.

## **Scoring Guidelines**

-1 G20 member has failed to take neither domestic NOR international action to address the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3049</sup> Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees, United Nations 28 July 1951. Access Date: 30 October 2017. http://www.unhcr.org/3b66c2aa10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3050</sup>UNHCR Resettlement Handbook, UNHCR (Geneva) July 2011. Access Date: 30 October 2017.http://www.unhcr.org/46f7c0ee2.pdf.

Key Migration Terms, IOM. Access Date: 29 October 2017. http://www.iom.int/key-migration-terms.

Assisted Voluntary Return and Reintegration: Annual Report of Activities, IOM (Geneva) 2012. Access Date: 1 November 2017. https://www.iom.int/files/live/sites/iom/files/partnerships/docs/2012-IOM-

 $CSOConsultations/Additional\_Resources/AVRR\_Report\_2011.pdf.$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3053</sup> Voluntary Repatriation: International Protection Handbook, UNHCR (Geneva) 1996. Access Date: 1 November 2017. http://www.unhcr.org/publications/legal/3bfe68d32/handbook-voluntary-repatriation-international-protection.html.

	needs of migrants, INCLUDING taking steps to enable the safe return of migrants when applicable.
0	G20 member has taken either domestic OR international action to address the distinct needs of migrants INCLUDING the safe return of migrants when applicable OR has taken both domestic and international action but has NOT taken steps to enable their safe return when applicable.
+1	G20 member has taken domestic action AND international action to address the distinct needs of migrants, INCLUDING taking steps to enable the safe return of migrants when applicable.

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## Argentina: +1

Argentina has fully complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safely.

As of 31 December 2017, the Argentinian government received 80 income permit requests for the second 2017 semester in progress for the Syria Program.<sup>3054</sup>

On 10 November 2017, the Ministry of Interior and Transport enhanced the Syria Program to include 100 more humanitarian visas, reaching a total of 420 visas granted for Syrian refugees.<sup>3055</sup> The program before was created on 14 October 2014, and granted special visas for Syrian refugees 3,000.<sup>3056</sup> Refugees first receive temporary and renewable residence permits, which can become permanent after two years.<sup>3057</sup> The humanitarian visa entitles refugees to the same social services as national citizens, including access to work and education,<sup>3058</sup> with the option to voluntarily return home when conditions allow, or to become self-reliant in Argentina.<sup>3059</sup>

On 14 December 2017, The International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development (ICTSD) and International Organization for Migration (IOM) held a forum on Migration, Trade and the Global Economy in Buenos Aires. The event promoted a better understanding of the link between migration and international trade.<sup>3060</sup>

Syrian refugees reap benefits of Argentina's new visa rules (Córdoba) 10 November 2017. Access Date: 18 November 2017. http://www.unhcr.org/afr/news/stories/2017/11/5a0586774.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3054</sup> Leaders'LMinistry of the Interior, Public Works and Housing National Direction of Migration, Special Humanitarian Visa Program (Buenos Aires) 25 April 2017. Access Date: 26 April 2018.

 $<sup>\</sup>underline{http://www.migraciones.gov.ar/programasiria/indexSiria.php?estadisticas.}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3056</sup> Special humanitarian visa program for foreigners affected by the conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic, Ministry of Interior, Public Works and Housing (Buenos Aires) 14 October 2014. Access Date: 18 November 2017. http://www.migraciones.gov.ar/programasiria/?acercaprograma.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3057</sup> Special humanitarian visa program for foreigners affected by the conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic, Ministry of Interior, Public Works and Housing (Buenos Aires) 14 October 2014. Access Date: 18 November 2017. http://www.migraciones.gov.ar/programasiria/?acercaprograma.

Special humanitarian visa program for foreigners affected by the conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic, Ministry of Interior, Public Works and Housing (Buenos Aires) 14 October 2014. Access Date: 18 November 2017. http://www.migraciones.gov.ar/programasiria/?acercaprograma.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3059</sup> Syrian refugees reap benefits of Argentina's new visa rules, UNHCR (Córdoba) 10 November 2017. Access Date: 3 January 2018. http://www.unhcr.org/afr/news/stories/2017/11/5a0586774.html.

Argentina Hosts Forum on Migration, Trade and the Global Economy (Buenos Aires). 15 December 2017. Access Date: 26 February 2018. https://www.iom.int/news/argentina-hosts-forum-migration-trade-and-global-economy.

As of 15 December 2017, Argentina accepted a total number of 155 people under their Syria Program, the largest refugees number since its launch in 2014.<sup>3061</sup> Almost half of them have been received as of December 2017, making the year with the most Syrian refugees reallocated to Argentina.<sup>3062</sup>

As of 31 December 2017, Argentina contributed USD50, 000 to the World Food Programme for 2017.3063

As of January 2018, President Mauricio Macri extended the validity of the Syria Program for 2018. The commitments for 2018 are focused on support of the private sector and strengthening institutional relations relevant to the Program.<sup>3064</sup>

In April 2018, President Macri and Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos agreed on a medical assistance strategy to assist Venezuelans. Under the coordination of the White Helmets Commission of the Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs, doctors and healthcare specialists are sent to the Colombian border to treat and assist Venezuelan migrants.<sup>3065</sup>

Between January and May 2018, 19, 821 residence permits were issued to Venezuelan immigrants, of which 2, 642 were for permanent residents.<sup>3066</sup>

As of 24 July 2018, the IOM reported there to be 95, 000 immigrants from the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela in Argentina, an increase of 82, 144 since 2015, making Argentina a significant destination for Venezuelan immigration.<sup>3067</sup>

On 16 July 2018, ministers from various countries signed a joint statement underlining their support for community-based sponsorship. The purpose was to meet ahead of the 2018 UN General Assembly and agreement on the Global Compact on Refugees to their show solidarity.<sup>3068</sup>

Argentina: How Does the Syria Program Work?, Latin American Post, 7 February 2018. Access Date: 4 March 2018 https://www.latinamericanpost.com/index.php/human-rights/19531-argentina--how-does-the-syria-program-work?.

<sup>3065</sup>Situation in Venezuela: Argentine White Helmets working at Colombian border, Ministry of Freign Affairs and Worship Argentine Republic (Buenos Aires) 28 June 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018.

https://cancilleria.gob.ar/en/news/releases/situation-venezuela-argentine-white-helmets-working-colombian-border. <sup>3066</sup> Migration Trends in the Americas, IOM UN Migration, July 2018. Access Date 1 September 2018.

https://robuenosaires.iom.int/sites/default/files/Informes/Tendencias\_Migratorias\_Nacionales\_en\_Americas\_\_Venezu ela EN Julio 2018 web.pdf.

Migration Trends in the Americas, IOM UN Migration, July 2018. Access Date 1 September 2018. https://robuenosaires.iom.int/sites/default/files/Informes/Tendencias\_Migratorias\_Nacionales\_en\_Americas\_\_Venezuela EN\_Julio\_2018\_web.pdf.

<sup>3068</sup>Joint Statement - Ministers from Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Argentina, Spain and New Zealand underline their support for community-based refugee sponsorship in advance of the 2018 United Nations General Assembly and agreement on the Global Compact on Refugees, Newswire (London) 16 July 2018. Access Date: 4 October 2018. https://www.newswire.ca/news-releases/joint-statement---ministers-from-canada-the-united-kingdom-ireland-argentina-spain-and-new-zealand-underline-their-support-for-community-based-refugee-sponsorship-in-advance-of-the-2018-united-nations-general-688280161.html.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3061</sup> Argentina acogió en el 2017 el mayor número de refugiados sirios, dice la OIM, El Comercio (Agencia EFE) 15 December 2017. Access Date: March 1, 2018 http://www.elcomercio.com/actualidad/argentina-refugiados-siria-oim-acogida.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3062</sup> Argentina acogió en el 2017 el mayor número de refugiados sirios, dice la OIM, El Comercio (Agencia EFE) 15 December 2017. Access Date: March 1, 2018 http://www.elcomercio.com/actualidad/argentina-refugiados-siria-oim-acogida.html

Donor Profiles, World Food Programme (Rome) 2017. Access Date: 1 March 2018.

http://www.wfp.org/about/funding/governments/mexico.

On 4 September 2018, Argentina signed a declaration in Ouito calling for countries and international organizations to increase their assistance to support Venezuelan migrants. 3069 Brazil, Ecuador, Costa Rica, Colombia, Chile, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay also signed the declaration.<sup>3070</sup>

As of 24 September 2018, Argentina contributed USD428,550 to the UNHCR in 2018.<sup>3071</sup> Argentina contributed USD113,900 in 2017.3072

Argentina has fully complied with its commitment to address the needs of migrants through concrete actions, such as by strengthening the Syria Program and sustaining existing initiatives with continued funding contributions to the UNHCR.

Thus, Argentina has received a score of +1.

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## Australia: 0

Australia has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

On 5 September 2017, the Migration Amendment (Validation of Decisions) Bill was passed, allowing for the rejection of visas or applications for one based on character grounds informed by the use of protected information.<sup>3073</sup> These grounds include the commitment of serious crime, posing a risk to safety, or threatening Australia's national interest.<sup>3074</sup>

On 30 October 2017, the Border Force Amendment (Protected Information) Bill was passed, which amended the definition of 'protected information'so that only information that is harmful to national or public interest is protected.<sup>3075</sup> Moreover, this amendment is backdated to the original enactment period of the 2015 Australia Border Force Act, which allows those who work in places like the

<sup>3069</sup> Venezuela's neighbors seek aid to grapple with migration crisis, Reuters (Quito) 4 September 2018. Access Date: 15 September 2018. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-venezuela-migration-summit/venezuelas-neighbors-seek-aid-tograpple-with-migration-crisis-idUSKCN1LK2S. <sup>3070</sup> Venezuela's neighbors seek aid to grapple with migration crisis, Reuters (Quito) 4 September 2018. Access Date: 15

September 2018. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-venezuela-migration-summit/venezuelas-neighbors-seek-aid-tograpple-with-migration-crisis-idUSKCN1LK2SK.

Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2018. Access Date: 9 October 2018. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles.

Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2018. Access Date: 9 October 2018. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3073</sup> Migration Amendment (Validation of Decisions) Bill 2017, Parliament of Australia (Canberra) 5 September 2017. Access Date: 28 February 2018.

https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary Business/Bills LEGislation/Bills Search Results/Result?bld=r5926.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3074</sup> Bills Migration Amendment (Validation of Decisions) Bill 2017 Second Reading, Parliament of Australia (Canberra) 4 September 2017. Access Date: 20 February 2017.

http://parlinfo.aph.gov.au/parlInfo/search/display/display.w3p;db=CHAMBER;id=chamber%2Fhansards%2F8b210eb0f0ba-48da-b074-bd89cc83d1bc%2F0217;query=Id%3A%22chamber%2Fhansards%2F8b210eb0-f0ba-48da-b074bd89cc83d1bc%2F0210%22.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3075</sup> Australian Border Force Amendment (Protected Information) Bill 2017 Second Reading, Parliament of Australia (Canberra) 16 October 2017. Access Date: 28 February 2018.

http://parlinfo.aph.gov.au/parlInfo/search/display/display.w3p;db=CHAMBER;id=chamber%2Fhansards%2Fd96837f1-5fca-4684-b4f0-f4fd79ca5d26%2F0012;query=ld%3A%22chamber%2Fhansards%2Fd96837f1-5fca-4684-b4f0f4fd79ca5d26%2F0008%22.

Nauru or Manus Island detention centres the ability to speak on their conditions without fear of prosecution.<sup>3076</sup>

On 31 October 2017, the Manus Island detention centre was closed by the Australian government following a court ruling in Papua New Guinea. The centre had been used to process migrants who arrived by boat in Australia without proper documentation, and a similar centre on Nauru remains open. During the previous month, the Australian government compensated nearly 2000 people detained at the Manus Island detention centre over claims of physical and psychological injuries. The Both centres have been criticized for inadequate conditions due to a lack of sufficient facilities and for exposing individuals to harm. The number of migrants from the facility in Manus refused to leave and were subsequently forcibly evicted from the centre. The United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) has criticized conditions in the new centres as lacking basic minimum standards. However, migrants at the centres have been provided consideration to resettle to the United States, a number of which have already been accepted.

In 2017-2018, Australia contributed international aid directed toward the World Food Programme, International Committee of the Red Cross, and UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. Resources allocated to the Humanitarian and Refugee Program help provide for refugee and humanitarian visas, though those who arrived by boat after 2012 are generally denied access to these visas. The 2018 budget provides funds for settlement services which include counselling, language training, and job skills.

In 2017-2018, Australia provided humanitarian assistance through the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) to over 1.4 million Palestinian

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3083</sup> 2017-18 Federal Budget: What it means for Refugees and People Seeking Humanitarian Protection, Refugee Council of Australia (Surry Hills) 10 May 2017. Access Date: 20 February 2018. https://www.refugeecouncil.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/2017-18-Budget-summary\_web.pdf.

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refugees, and also contributed to universal primary education for 526,600 Palestinian refugee students.3085

On 29 March 2018, the Australian government announced its plan to withdraw the Status Resolution Support Services (SRSS) payments from up to 7,000 asylum seekers residing in the country. 3086 The SRSS provides asylum seekers with a living allowance, assistance in finding housing, and access to torture and trauma counselling.3087

On 9 May 2018, the Australian government announced that will increase its Refugee and Humanitarian Program to include 18,750 refugees in the 2018-19 Federal Budget. 3088 Refugees will be eligible for Iobactive services after 26 weeks of being registered for income support, instead of 13 weeks, which will allow them to focus on resettlement.<sup>3089</sup>

As of 1 June 2018, the Australian government has committed AUD51.5 million to help meet the humanitarian needs of Rohingya refugees and affected communities in Myanmar and Bangladesh in response to the current humanitarian crisis. 3090 Around AUD44 million has been directed to Rohingva in Coz's Bazar in Bangladesh. 3091

As of 24 September 2018, Australia contributed USD32.8 million to the UNHCR in 2018.3092 Australia contributed USD39.7 million in 2017.3093

Australia has implemented some measures that address the needs of migrants internationally and domestically through aid and funding of specific programs. However, the policies in place directed at migrants who arrive by boat and the conditions under which they are detained do not meet the standards set by the commitment.

Thus, Australia receives a score of 0.

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#### Brazil: +1

Brazil has fully complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, particularly close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

On 19-20 September 2017, the Ministry of Justice and Public Security hosted the first International Seminar to Combat Trafficking of Persons and Smuggling of Migrants with the support of the European Union and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. The event convened members of government institutions, civil society and representatives of other countries collaborating with Brazil to combat the crime. The International organizations such as the EU, International Organization for Migration, UN Children's Fund and UN Development Programme also participated in the seminar. The seminar provided an opportunity for participants to share experiences, best practices and data on the subject and to contribute to the development of Brazil's 3rd National Plan to Combat Trafficking in Persons. The seminar also enabled the collection of subsidies to begin the construction of the plan, which will be implemented from 2018 to 2021.

On 21 November 2017, the Government of Brazil implemented a new migration law that grants visas for stateless persons or those arriving in Brazil due to a situation of imminent institutional instability, armed conflict, environmental disaster, violation of human rights or violation of international humanitarian law in their home countries.<sup>3099</sup> Chief of Staff of the National Secretariat of Justice Bernardo Lafertécommented that the new law actualizes the provisions of Article 5 of the federal constitution, which prohibits discretionary distinctions between Brazilians and foreigners.<sup>3100</sup>

On 6 February 2018, the Ministry of Justice and Public Security announced that asylum seekers will receive identification documents beginning in October 2018. 3101 The identification documents

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3094</sup> Brasil discute tráfico de pessoas e contrabando de migrantes, Ministério da Justiça e Segurança Pública (Brasília) 18 September 2017. Access Date: 24 November 2017. http://www.justica.gov.br/noticias/brasil-sedia-seminario-internacional-de-enfrentamento-ao-trafico-de-pessoas-e-contrabando-de-migrantes.

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reaffirm the rights of asylum seekers and will further facilitate access to the rights already guaranteed to them, including access to public services such as health, education, and social assistance.<sup>3102</sup>

On 8 February 2018, Minister of Defense Raul Jungmann announced that the Brazilian government will relocate tens of thousands of Venezuelan refugees and increase aid to hundreds of thousands of people who fled Venezuela.3103

On 8 February 2018, Minister of Justice Torquato Jardim stated that the Brazil would implement procedures within 90 days to revalidate the diplomas of Venezuelan migrants.<sup>3104</sup> This would allow Venezuelan migrants with higher education to integrate into the Brazilian labour market.<sup>3105</sup>

On 15 February 2018, Brazil adopted measures to address the influx of Venezuelans in the state of Roraima, including creating a federal assistance committee, and a series of measures aiming to improve social protection, health and public safety in municipalities overwhelmed by the influxes.<sup>3106</sup>

In March 2018, the Brazilian government launched an Army-led operation of USD42 million to control migrant flows, improve temporary shelters for migrants and help them organize their documents to find work.3107 The Brazilian Air Force also began airlifting Venezuelans from a remote border region to other locations in Brazil.<sup>3108</sup>

As of March 2018, the Brazilian government had "ensured admission, registration and documentation," for Venezuelans, giving them the right to work and "access health, education, and other basic services."3109The Government was also making concerted efforts to provide shelter and food assistance to the migrants, despite challenges, and had granted social grants to 1,278 people, or 758 families.<sup>3110</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3102</sup> Solicitantes de refúgio terão documento de identificação no Brasil, Ministério da Justica e Seguranca Pública (Brasília) 6 February 2018. Access Date: 20 February 2018. http://www.justica.gov.br/news/solicitantes-de-refugioterao-documento-de-identificacao-no-brasil.

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In the first half of 2018, over 16,000 Venezuelans entered Brazil.<sup>3111</sup>

On 5 April 2018, the Brazilian government, working alongside the UN and municipalities, began resettling Venezuelan immigrants in Sao Paulo and Cuiaba, beginning with 300 immigrants, including 80 families. The migrants, upon relocation, would receive support to integrate into Brazilian society and the labour market. In Boa Vista, the government begun welcoming migrants and helping them in shelters by offering them food, access to healthcare and helping them with their documentation. The same shelters are supported by the same shelters and helping them with their documentation.

In April 2018, the European Union donated EUR2.5 million to Brazil, to be available in June 2018, to help with the settlement of Venezuelan migrants in Brazilian cities.<sup>3114</sup> The money will be distributed by the UNHCR and by the United Nations Population Fund, alongside NGOs and Brazil.<sup>3115</sup>

As of April 2018, the Armed Forces had distributed meals to over 1,200 Venezuelans in four shelters.<sup>3116</sup>

On 25 June 2018, Minister of Justice Jardim signed a document recognizing the status of statelessness of two refugees.<sup>3117</sup> This is the first time that the Government of Brazil has officially recognized the status of a stateless person.<sup>3118</sup>

As of 6 August 2018, only 10 homeless shelters operated in the state of Roraima to support 4,000 people. The Brazilian government relocated just 820 refugees to other regions of Brazil.<sup>3119</sup>

On 6 August 2018, Brazil briefly closed its northern border in Roraima to contain the mass influx of migrants fleeing Venezuela.<sup>3120</sup> It was overturned hours later by a Supreme Court Justice.<sup>3121</sup>

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On 27-28 August 2018, Brazilian, Colombian, Ecuadorian and Peruvian ambassadors met at Colombia's Dirección de Migraciones in Bogota in order to join efforts in addressing the influx of migrants from Venezuela into their countries. The meeting on 28 August 2018 focused on an overview of the implications from the influx, and how to best deal with these challenges. On 28 August 2018, President Michel Temer signed a decree to send armed forces to the Brazilian state of Roraima, where Venezuelan migrants have fled to. 124 In addition to maintaining order, the presence of the armed forces will ensure the safety of the migrants.

On 3-4 September 2018, various ministers from Latin American countries met in Quito, Ecuador to discuss how to cooperate on the crisis sparked by the exodus of Venezuelans.<sup>3126</sup>

On 4 September 2018, Brazil signed a declaration in Quito calling for countries and international organizations to increase their assistance to support Venezuelan migrants.<sup>3127</sup>

On 4 September 2018, the Government of Brazil signed a declaration in Quito calling for countries and international organizations to increase their assistance to support Venezuelan migrants. <sup>3128</sup> Argentina, Ecuador, Costa Rica, Colombia, Chile, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay also signed the declaration. <sup>3129</sup>

As of 24 September 2018, Brazil contributed USD3,724 to the UNHCR in 2018. 3130 Brazil contributed USD662,778 in 2017. 3131

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Brazil has fully complied with its commitment to address the needs of refugees and migrants by taking domestic actions, specifically to support Venezuelan migrants. It has also taken international action by financially supporting the UNHCR and coordinating responses to mass migration flows with other Latin American countries.

Thus, Brazil receives a score of +1.

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## Canada: +1

Canada has fully complied with its commitment to addressing the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safely.

On 4 October 2017, Minister of International Development and La Francophonie Marie-Claude Bibeau announced that the Government of Canada would contribute CAD 3 million in response to an appeal from the United Nations and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) for additional aid to address the humanitarian crisis in Myanmar.<sup>3132</sup> The funding will provide hospital care and health care services focusing on sexual and reproductive health, sexual and gender-based violence, psychosocial support for survivors and obstetric care.<sup>3133</sup>The funding will also provide access to water and sanitation services, and emergency shelter and non-food items for new asylum seekers.<sup>3134</sup> This funding will also support humanitarian efforts by Doctors Without Borders, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the ICRC and the International Organization for Migration in formal camps, informal settlements and other hard-to-reach areas.<sup>3135</sup> This funding is an example of Canadian contribution towards addressing the medical needs of refugees abroad.

On 16 October 2017, Minister Bibeau announced that the Government of Canada would contribute over CAD1 million to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank to provide food assistance for 25,000 Rohingya refugees living in informal settlements in Bangladesh.<sup>3136</sup> This funding would focus on supporting the efforts of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank's members, Emergency Relief and Development Overseas,

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and World Renew to provide food assistance.<sup>3137</sup> This action is exemplary of Canadian support for the Rohingva refugees abroad.

On 27 October 2017, the Government of Canada changed the definition of the age of dependents from individuals under 19 to those under 22.3138 This new age limit will enable more family members of refugees to qualify as dependents, and consequently reunite with their families.<sup>3139</sup> The increased maximum age will apply to applications received by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada on or after 24 October 2017.3140

On 31 October 2017, Minister Bibeau launched the Myanmar Crisis Relief Fund to aid civil society organizations in delivering gender-sensitive humanitarian assistance to Rohingva refugees.<sup>3141</sup> The fund aims for the Government of Canada to match eligible donations contributed by individual Canadians to registered Canadian charities between 25 August 2017 and 28 November 2017.3142 The funding will focus on meeting the needs of vulnerable women and girls, including sexual and reproductive health services and psychosocial counselling for survivors of sexual and gender-based violence.3143

On 13 December 2017, Minister Bibeau announced that the Government of Canada would contribute CAD12.55 million to assist Rohingya refugees through the Myanmar Crisis Relief Fund.3144

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On 15 December 2017, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Ahmed Hussen announced that the Government of Canada would contribute CAD10.4 million to assist vulnerable populations affected by the ongoing severe drought and food insecurity in Somalia.<sup>3146</sup> The funding will be allocated to the World Food Programme (WFP), United Nations Children's Fund, United Nations Development Programme and the American Refugee Committee.<sup>3147</sup> The funding will focus on providing food, water, sanitation, treatment for acute malnutrition, medical support, shelter and protection to affected populations.<sup>3148</sup>

On 20 December 2017, Minister Hussen announced that the Government of Canada would provide CAD15 million to assist refugees and drought-affected populations in Kenya. <sup>3149</sup> The funding will be allocated to the WFP and the UNHCR. <sup>3150</sup>

On 27 February 2018, Canada released its 2018-2019 Federal Budget, which included CAD173.2 million to help border officials respond to asylum seekers from the US, CAD20.3 million over the next five years to resettle 1,000 vulnerable refugee women and girls, and CAD194.1 million over the next five years to protect temporary foreign workers.<sup>3151</sup>

On 16 March 2018, Minister Bibeau pledged a maximum of CAD8.15 million towards Rohingya refugees living in Bangladesh.<sup>3152</sup> Minister Bibeau has pledged the funds to partnering organizations, which will be used towards meeting the Rohingya refugees'rbasic needs, and for preparations against possible damages which may be brought on by heavy rainfall and storms in the future.<sup>3153</sup>

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On 10 April 2018, Minister Bibeau announced funding of CAD27 million towards Cameroon, Chad, Niger and Nigeria.<sup>3154</sup> Part of the funding will go towards the more than 500,000 displaced persons living in the region.<sup>3155</sup> Through partnering organizations, Canada's funding will provide for basic care, such as food, healthcare services, and sanitation.<sup>3156</sup>

On 27 April 2018, Minister of Immigration, Refugee and Citizenship Hussen announced CAD18 million of funding that will assist vulnerable persons of Somalia, including displaced persons.<sup>3157</sup> The funding will be given to various UN organizations, and will go on to provide clean water, food, and education.<sup>3158</sup> Canada is supporting one million Somali refugees through donations to the World Food Programme (WFP) and the UNHCR.<sup>3159</sup>

On 14 May 2018, Canada announced that it would provide CAD5.3 million in humanitarian assistance to Latin American and Caribbean countries hosting Venezuelan migrants. <sup>3160</sup> the contribution includes CAD1.3 million to the WFP and Action Against Hunger in Colombia for providing food and water, and CAD4 million to the UNHCR, the ICRC and the UNOffice for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. <sup>3161</sup>

On 23 May 2018, Canada announced that it would dedicate CAD300 million over the next three years in humanitarian assistance to support a response to the refugee crisis and the political situation in Myanmar.<sup>3162</sup>

On 16 July 2018, Minister Hussen met with ministers from other countries and released a joint statement to underline their support for community-based sponsorship programs. The purpose was

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to show solidarity ahead of the 2018 UN General Assembly and agreement on the Global Compact on Refugees.3163

As of 24 September 2018, Canada contributed USD72.8 million to the UNHCR in 2018.3164 Canada contributed USD81.8 million in 2017.3165

Canada has been very active in addressing the needs of migrants both domestically and abroad, and the Government of Canada has also collaborated with partners to facilitate successful resettlement of domestic refugees. However, Canada has encountered difficulties in integrating refugees into its job market, as well as keeping up with refugee claims of asylum seekers. While the Canadian government has shortcomings, it has been supporting its domestic refugees through income assistance and has not turned away asylum seekers while they await their refugee determination status. Canada has fully complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of migrants.

Thus, Canada has received a score of +1.

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## China: 0

China has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

On 19 September 2017, China delivered 500 tons of rice to Beirut for Syrian refugees residing in Lebanon.3166

On 28 September 2017, China donated 150 tons of aid to the Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh. The donations are composed of items such as 2,000 relief tents and 3,000 blankets.<sup>3167</sup>

In September 2017, the Vice Minister of Commerce and Deputy China International Trade Representative signed an agreement with UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) as part of the process to eventually fulfill China's pledge of USD1 billion towards refugees in Asia and Africa.3168 This is a form of support for migrants abroad and contributes to China's compliance with its commitment to address the needs of migrants.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3168</sup> Press: China and UNHCR Sign the Assistance Agreement to Meet Refugee Challenges, Ministry of Commerce People's Republic of China (Beijing) 30 September 2017. Access Date: 23 November 2017. http://english.mofcom.gov.cn/article/newsrelease/significantnews/201710/20171002654087.shtml.

On 23 October 2017 86,000 Syrian refugee students in Lebanon received educational supplies provided by Chinese funding.<sup>3169</sup> Ambassador Wang Kejian personally delivered the supplies, who has stated the aid is a representation of Chinese support for Syrian refugees.<sup>3170</sup> This donation of aid by China represents an action it has taken to address the educational need of refugee children.

On 4 November 2017, China arrested 10 refugees from North Korea, and returned them to North Korea within the same month.<sup>3171</sup> While the Chinese government has stated that that the deportation was conducted in accordance with domestic and international laws, this report is compatible with earlier reports in the year. On 18 September 2017, Human Rights Watch published an article detailing China's treatment of North Korean refugees, noting in particular the number of asylum seekers have risen sharply in the last year.<sup>3172</sup> From July to August, 2018, China has arrested 41 North Koreans, a significant increase from a total of 51 arrests in 2017.<sup>3173</sup>

On 9 November 2017, China donated USD1 million to the World Food Programme (WFP), which will be used towards refugees and migrants in the Diffa Region in Niger. 3174 China's donation exemplifies an action to address the immediate needs of migrants by providing funds towards food for refugees.

On 27 November 2017, China donated USD1 million to the WFP towards refugees from Afghanistan and Iraq living in Iran.<sup>3175</sup> The funds have been allocated towards the purchase of food staples such as lentils, flour, rice, and sugar.<sup>3176</sup>

On 13 February 2018, China's representative in Iran concluded a refugee aid package of USD1 million.<sup>3177</sup> The aid was given under an agreement signed by China in August 2017 and was used primarily towards purchasing foodstuffs for Afghan and Iraqi refugees residing in Iran.<sup>3178</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3169</sup> China provides educational supplies to 86,000 Syrian refugees in Lebanon, Xin Hua Net (Beijing) 24 October 2017. Access Date: 8 March 2018. http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-10/24/c 136700896.htm

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On 19 April 2018, China completed its WFP food aid project for Syrian refugees in Lebanon. USD2 million went to the WFP to support refugees in Lebanon and Jordan with emergency food supplies.<sup>3181</sup>

On 29 June 2018, Minister of Foreign Affairs Wang Yi announced that China would offer humanitarian assistance to Bangladesh to provide shelter and food for Rohingya refugees. Thina also announced that it would support Bangladesh in expediting the repatriation process of the refugees.

As of 24 September 2018, China contributed USD1.1 million to the UNHCR in 2018.<sup>3184</sup> China contributed USD11.1 million in 2017.<sup>3185</sup>

China has contributed to international actions to address the needs of refugees by donating aid to Syrian and Rohingya refugees and taking steps to fulfill its pledge of monetary funds towards refugees abroad, such as in Iran and Niger. However, China has largely failed to take domestic action to address the needs of migrants within its territory, and China has no legal process regarding refugee settlement nor asylum seekers.<sup>3186</sup>

Thus, China has received a score of 0.

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#### France: +1

France has fully complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of migrants and refugees, in particular close to their regions of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safely.

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On 12 July 2017, the French government presented a new action plan for a balanced and controlled immigration policy.<sup>3187</sup> The plans include reducing the asylum procedure from 14 to 6 months, improving the integration of refugees, increasing reception facility capacities for asylum seekers, increasing genuine equal opportunities for all documented foreign nationals, installing a credible deportation policy, and improving focus on certain groups of asylum seekers.<sup>3188</sup>

On 28 July 2017, President Emmanuel Macron publicly vowed to provide housing for all refugee and asylum seekers in France.<sup>3189</sup>

On 31 July 2017, the French government announced that it will provide water and sanitation to refugees and migrants in Calais and open two reception centres away from the port.<sup>3190</sup>

On 2 August 2017, Minister of the Interior Gérard Collomb pledged to welcome an additional 3,500 migrants to the country by the following year.<sup>3191</sup>

On 28 August 2017, seven African and European leaders met in Paris to discuss issues of migration. Leaders from France, Germany, Italy, and Spain pledged to help Chad and Niger with border control in order to reduce the flow of migrants through Libya and across the Mediterranean. At the summit, France also called on the European Union to offer an extra EUR60 million to help African countries deal with asylum seekers who have returned from Europe and to prevent further migration flows. S193

On 28 August 2017, Minister Collomb announced that the government allowance to refugees voluntarily exiting France to return to their country of origin would be raised from EUR1,000 to EUR2,500 before 31 December 2017.<sup>3194</sup>

On 20 November 2017, Minister Collomb announced that France would receive refugees evacuated from Libya in December 2017.<sup>3195</sup>France plans to receive 10,000 refugees by 2019, with 3,000 people coming from a resettlement program in Niger and Chad.<sup>3196</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3187</sup> Guaranteeing the right to asylum and improving control of migration flows, French Government (Paris) 12 July 2017. Access Date: 25 November 2017. http://www.gouvernement.fr/en/guaranteeing-the-right-to-asylum-and-improving-control-of-migration-flows.

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By the end of 2017, 43,000 asylum seekers had been granted refugee status in France that year.<sup>3197</sup> France received a record high of 100,412 asylum requests.<sup>3198</sup>

On 19 January 2018, President Macron and United Kingdom Prime Minister Theresa May agreed on the Sandhurst Treaty, a new border security deal through which the UK will pay EUR50 million for fencing, CCTV, and other detection technologies in Calais and channel ports, stopping migrants trying to reach British shores. The Sandhurst Treaty will speed up the time taken to process migration from Calais to the UK, reducing the wait time from six months to one month for adults, and 25 days for minors. 3200 The UK also agreed to accept 260 unaccompanied minors from France. 3201

In February 2018, President Macron introduced proposals in legislation with the goals of speeding up the process for asylum requests and for expelling migrants who are unable to claim asylum.<sup>3202</sup> The new legislation also includes plans to introduce fines of EUR3,750 or a one year jail term for people who illegally cross borders within the EU.<sup>3203</sup> It also doubles the time asylum-seekers can be held in detention to 90 days, halves the amount of time asylum-seekers have to appeal their rejected refugee claims, hastens the deportation of asylum-seekers deemed to be economic migrants, and cuts the average waiting time on asylum applications from 11 months to six.<sup>3204</sup>

In April 2018, the UN's Special Rapporteur on the Human Right to Water and Sanitation said that refugees in northern France were facing an "inhumane" situation, as many were living without adequate housing, living in tents with no access to toilets, and using polluted rivers or lakes to bathe.<sup>3205</sup>

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On 5 June 2018, Prime Minister Edouard Philippe announced that France would double the amount of hours of French lessons offered for refugees, from 200 hours to 400 hours with the goal of helping refugees integrate.<sup>3208</sup> In addition, a civic training course, which aims to teach refugees French values and other practical matters like health care and housing, was also doubled from 12 to 24 hours.<sup>3209</sup>

On 15 June 2018, President Macron and Italian Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte met in Paris to end a diplomatic quarrel over Rome's refusal to accept refugee and migrant ships.<sup>3210</sup> The leaders urged the EU to set up asylum processing centres in Africa in order to prevent migrants from crossing the Mediterranean Sea, and called for the EU to change its asylum rules.<sup>3211</sup>

On 16 June 2018, Spanish Deputy Prime Minister Carmen Calvo announced that France would take in some of the 629 migrants from the Aquarius humanitarian rescue ship after Italy and Malta both refused to allow the boat to dock at their ports. France agreed to work with Spain and offered to accept migrants after they were processed in Spain. Plantage 2018, Spain and offered to accept migrants after they were processed in Spain.

On 18 June 2018, President Macron and German Chancellor Angela Merkel met outside Berlin to discuss challenges faced by both countries in the lead up to the European Union summit. Discussions touched on European immigration, among other issues.<sup>3214</sup>

On 23 June 2018, President Macron met with the Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez in Paris to discuss migration ahead of the EU summit.<sup>3215</sup> He called upon the EU to establish "closed centers"in

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peripheral EU countries in order to determine asylum seekers' statuses.<sup>3216</sup> This would enable the EU to identify genuine asylum seekers to be shared among EU members from economic migrants.<sup>3217</sup>

On 26 June 2018, President Macron announced that France would accept migrants on board the NGO rescue ship Lifeline, which had been stranded in the Mediterranean for days following a dispute between Malta and Italy on where the ship would port.3218

On 12 July 2018, France took in 78 asylum seekers from the ship Aquarius, which docked in Spain after both Malta and Italy refused to let the ship dock at their ports.<sup>3219</sup>

On 15 July 2018, France agreed to host 50 of the 450 asylum seekers saved by an EU border agency ship and an Italian tax police ship off the Italian coast.<sup>3220</sup>

On 1 August 2018, Parliament passed an asylum law and immigration bill which is designed to accelerate asylum procedures by cutting the maximum processing time to 90 days after the individual enters France, as opposed to the current 120 day processing time. 3221

As of 24 September 2018, France contributed USD38.7 million to the UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) in 2018.3222 France contributed USD39.7 million in 2017.3223

France has contributed to international projects that address refugee rights such as aiding African countries to deal with migration flows, working alongside its European counterparts and accepting migrants into their country when European allies would not. Although France has taken some steps to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants domestically, substantial systemic deficiencies remain.

Thus, France receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Sara Fallaha

## Germany: +1

Germany has fully complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

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Since July 2017, the Federal Office of Migration and Refugees (BAMF) has been highly active in launching programs to properly integrate refugees into Germany's job market. 3224 However, structural challenges in the system continue to persist. 3225

In July 2017, BAMF expanded their reach by providing additional translation services for migration, integration, and asylum procedures, showing adaptation to the diverse influx of people.<sup>3226</sup>

On 2 August 2017, BAMF began a project to improve regional cooperation for refugee integration programs in partnership with the Regional Directorate of Bavaria of the Federal Employment Agency together with the Bavarian Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs, Family and Integration.<sup>3227</sup>

In August 2017, Federal Ministry of the Economy and Technology outlined the ways in which refugees can integrate into the job market, specifically by filling the needs of skilled and unskilled workers in nursing homes through proper education and training.<sup>3228</sup>

In August 2017, BAMF took action to meet the psychological needs of refugees by subsidizing special trainings for integration teachers to deal with "traumatized refugees." 3229

In September 2017, Germany announced it was contributing EUR60 million of humanitarian aid, through the UN, to Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh.<sup>3230</sup> For those still in Myanmar, the German government reserved EUR11.2 million to provide vital medical care, promote employment for internally displaced persons (IDPs), and help local communities with receiving IDPs.<sup>3231</sup>

In October 2017, hundreds of migrants participated in a social integration program, which emphasized greater integration in cultural and economic institutions. The program included a diverse

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set of activities, including a day at the theatre. <sup>3232</sup> By December 2017, similar programs were implemented for older migrants and refugees to socialize with elderly Germans. <sup>3233</sup>

Furthermore, by October 2017, BAMF slowed down the processing of asylum claims. In the beginning months of 2017, 50,000 asylum cases were processed per month, compared to between 15,000 and 18,000 in recent months.<sup>3234</sup>Speculations included understaffing at BAMF and a system under strain and inefficiency.<sup>3235</sup>

In November 2017, the Kompetenzzentrum Fachkräftesicherung, one of Germany's primary skilled workers organizations, launched a detailed plan of action for the integration of refugees into the job market under the oversight of the Federal Ministry of the Economy and Technology.<sup>3236</sup>

Additionally, in November 2017, the German government announced its contribution of EUR2 million to the World Food Program's efforts to aid refugees and asylum seekers living in Tanzania and Rwanda, many of whom are from Burundi. 3237

In January 2018, BAMF began easing legal processes for refugees.<sup>3238</sup> As part of the project, hotlines and online services for better and faster communication with courts were launched.<sup>3239</sup>

On 29 January 2018, the Federal Ministry of the Interior announced that it would resettle a small number of migrants from Italy and Greece, specifically those left outstanding from 2017.<sup>3240</sup>

On 2 February 2018, BAMF and the UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) announced the intensification of their cooperation, especially in the quality of services provided for refugees.<sup>3241</sup>

Was ich schaffen kann, das kannst auch Du schaffen, Bundesamt für Migration und Flüchtlinge (Berlin) 30 October 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2018. http://www.bamf.de/SharedDocs/Projekte/DE/ProjekteDesMonats/171030-oktober-projekt-des-monats.html?nn=3798410.

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They announced their focus of 2018 as refugee resettlement, with the results of this joint goal yet to be seen.<sup>3242</sup>

On 22 April 2018, the German government engaged in talks with Iraq to commit to the safe repatriation and successful reintegration of up to 10,000 Iraqi asylum seekers in Germany. 3243 Development Minister Gerd Muller announced that education and employment opportunities would be created with the help of Iraqi officials and companies. 3244

On 25 April 2018, Foreign Minister Heiko Maas announced his country's pledged donation of EUR1 billion to refugee aid efforts in Syria and the surrounding countries that are hosting millions of Syrian refugees. <sup>3245</sup>

In May 2018, allegations emerged of the administering of asylum approvals by numerous BAMF branches, including accusations of improper asylum decisions and bribe-taking. <sup>3246</sup> As a result, the head of BAMF was fired in June 2018, impacting the reputation Germany's primary refugee and migrant integration and support agency. <sup>3247</sup>

On 18 June 2018, Chancellor Angela Merkel and French President Emmanuel Macron met outside Berlin to discuss challenges faced by both countries in the lead up to the EU summit. Discussions touched on European immigration among other issues.<sup>3248</sup>

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In July 2018, a federal police report found inefficiencies Germany's repatriation and deportation system; over half of those scheduled for deportation or repatriation as of 31 December 2017 recorded in the INPOL central police information system went missing,<sup>3250</sup> and some German states

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3249</sup>Germany, France and Malta agree to take in boat migrants, Politico (Brussels) 15 July 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018. https://www.politico.eu/article/italy-migration-europe-germany-france-and-malta-agree-to-take-in-boat/. <sup>3250</sup>Polizei fahndet nach 126.000 ausreisepflichtigen Ausländern, Welt 29 July 2018. Access Date: 8 October 2018. https://www.welt.de/politik/deutschland/article180131258/Abschiebungen-Polizei-fahndet-nach-126-000-ausreisepflichtigen-Auslaendern.html.

in particular are experiencing increasing rates of deportation for refugees who are well-integrated or those who have even found suitable employment. 3251

In August 2018, BAMF oversaw the "Intercultural Garden" project as part of the integration process, which saw migrants, refugees, asylum seekers, and German locals interacting through gardening on a large plot of land near Dresden.3252

On 3 September 2018 at a high-level conference held in Berlin, Germany committed EUR100 million until 2020 to support the Lake Chad region undergoing humanitarian crises. The funding will support 2.4 million displaced people in the region, and is also part of German plans to help African countries improve conditions to prevent people from embarking on dangerous voyages to reach Europe.3253

In September 2018, BAMF started a series of educational programs targeting teachers in Germany, which aims to train teachers on how to best deal with and accommodate "traumatized" students.3254 This promotes proper integration, as such trauma is particularly common within the refugee community, 3255

As of 24 September 2018, Germany contributed USD133.3 million to the UNHCR in 2018.3256 Germany contributed USD476.9 million in 2017.3257

Germany has launched highly ambitious programs in ensuring the economic and social integration of the millions of their migrants and refugees. It also continues to be a leading player in international efforts to help refugees.

Thus, Germany receives a score of +1.

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## India: 0

India has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3252</sup>Gärtnern, reden, verstehen, Bundesamt für Migration und Flüchtlinge (Berlin) 27 August 2018. Access Date: 25 September 2018. http://www.bamf.de/SharedDocs/Projekte/DE/ProjekteDesMonats/180827-august-projekt-desmonats.html?nn=1367522.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3253</sup>Over \$2 billion pledged to drought-stricken Lake Chad region, Reuters (Berlin) 3 September 2018. Access Date: 4 October 2018. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-germany-africa/over-2-billion-pledged-to-drought-stricken-lakechad-region-idUSKCN1LJ1K9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3254</sup>Öffentliche Bekanntmachung, Bundesamt für Migration und Flüchtlinge (Berlin) 12 September 2018. Access Date: 25 September 2018. http://www.bamf.de/SharedDocs/Meldungen/DE/2018/20180912-oeffentliche-bekanntmachungtraeger-zusatzqualifikation.html?nn=1367522.

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On 14 September 2017, the Indian government launched Operation Insaniyat to provide humanitarian assistance to refugees in Bangladesh.<sup>3258</sup> The relief material included sugar, pulses, rice, salt, and biscuits.<sup>3259</sup>

On 21 September 2017, the Indian government announced 116 new "high impact community development projects" yin Afghanistan.<sup>3260</sup> One of the projects is a low cost housing program for ensuring the safe return of Afghan refugees.<sup>3261</sup>

On 22 November 2017, the Ministry of External Affairs announced the inclusion of persecuted minorities from Pakistan and Bangladesh in a self-financing scheme for educational programs.<sup>3262</sup> This scheme will facilitate persecuted religious minority migrants in gaining access to higher education in India.<sup>3263</sup>

On 24 November 2017, India sent 3000 family relief packs with items such as rice, salt, sugar, and soap to the displaced people in the Rakhine State.<sup>3264</sup>

On 20 December 2017, Secretary of Foreign Affairs Dr S. Jaishankar signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Myanmar's Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement that initiated the Rakhine State Development program.<sup>3265</sup> Under the program, India will contribute USD25 million over a period of five years on development activities in the Rakhine state.<sup>3266</sup> The program attempts to facilitate the return of displaced persons by improving socio-economic conditions through various

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3262</sup> Self-financing scheme — inclusion of persecuted religious minority migrants from Bangladesh and Pakistan based in India, Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 22 November 2017. Access Date: 26 November 2017. www.mea.gov.in/Uploads/PublicationDocs/29131 Self Financing pr.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3263</sup> Self-financing scheme — inclusion of persecuted religious minority migrants from Bangladesh and Pakistan based in India, Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 22 November 2017. Access Date: 26 November 2017. www.mea.gov.in/Uploads/PublicationDocs/29131 Self Financing pr.pdf.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3265</sup> Visit of Foreign Secretary of India to Myanmar, Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 20 December 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2018. http://www.mea.gov.in/press-

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3266</sup> India inks pact to restore normalcy in Rakhine, The Times of India (New Delhi) 21 December 2017. Access Date: 5 March 2018. https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/india-to-help-myanmar-restore-normalcy-in-rakhine-province/articleshow/62183035.cms.

livelihood-generating initiatives.<sup>3267</sup> It also includes a project to build prefabricated housing that will provide an immediate living space to the returning refugees.<sup>3268</sup>

On 27 December 2017, the Indian paramilitary group Assam Rifles commenced the repatriation of 1,500 refugees to Myanmar's Chin state.<sup>3269</sup> Fleeing violence between Myanmar's national forces and the Arakan Army militants, many displaced persons first sought shelter in India's Mizoram province in November 2017.<sup>3270</sup> Despite an improvement of the Chin state's security situation, most of the refugees have chosen to stay in India, though a small number of them were successfully repatriated by the paramilitary group.<sup>3271</sup> The refugees still present in the four villages in Mizoram's Lawngtlai district are being moved to a single relief camp in Hmawngbuchhuah village in order to ensure better access to food, essential commodities and relief materials.<sup>3272</sup>

On 15 March 2018, USD5 million to the UN Relief and Work Agency (UNRWA), which is charged with assisting Palestinian refugees in the Middle East.<sup>3273</sup> It also raised its annual contributions from USD1.25 million per year to USD5 million for the next three years.<sup>3274</sup>

On 9 May 2018, the High Commissioner of India in Bangladesh supplied relief assistance to support the humanitarian crisis which had resulted from the influx of displaced persons arriving in Bangladesh from the Rakhine State of Myanmar.<sup>3275</sup> The relief consignment contained milk powder,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3267</sup> Visit of Foreign Secretary of India to Myanmar, Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 20 December 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2018. http://www.mea.gov.in/press-

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3272</sup> Mizoram: Refugees moved to one relief camp from four villages, The Indian Express (Aizawl) 3 February 2018. Access Date: 5 March 2018. http://indianexpress.com/article/north-east-india/mizoram/rohingya-muslim-refugees-myanmar-relief-camp-5050186/.

<sup>3273</sup> India among 20 nations to pledge \$100 million for Palestinian refugees, The Economic Times (Gurgaon) 24 March

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3273</sup>India among 20 nations to pledge \$100 million for Palestinian refugees, The Economic Times (Gurgaon) 24 March 2018. Access Date: 30 September 2018. https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/politics-and-nation/india-among-20-nations-to-pledge-100-million-for-palestinian-refugees/articleshow/63439837.cms.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3274</sup> India pledges \$5 million for Palestinian refugees, The Times of India (New Delhi) 26 June 2018. Access Date: 2 October 2018. https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/india-pledges-5-million-for-palestinian-refugees/articleshow/64746306.cms.

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dried fish, baby food, raincoats and gum boots.<sup>3276</sup> The High Commissioner also announced that another tranche with kerosene oil and 20,000 cooking stoves was also expected to arrive.<sup>3277</sup>

On 10-11 May 2018, Minister of External Affairs Sushma Swaraj visited Myanmar and discussed boundary and border related issues, peace and security matters, developments in the Rakhine State including the return of displaced persons, and India's development assistance to Myanmar alongside President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar H.E. U. Win Myint and Minister for Foreign Affairs H.E. Daw Aung San Suu Kyi. 3278 Minister Swaraj reiterated India's readiness and commitment to helping the Government of Myanmar in addressing issues related to the Rakhine State, and, in particular, addressing the need for the safe, speedy and sustainable return of displaced persons to the Rakhine State. 3279

On 4 July 2018, the Government of India approved the continuance of the Ministry of Home Affairs' eight existing schemes up to March 2020 for the relief and rehabilitation of migrants and repatriates under the umbrella scheme "Relief and Rehabilitation of Migrants and Repatriates.<sup>3280</sup> The scheme provides relief and rehabilitation assistance to refugees, displaced persons, civilian victims of terrorist and communal violence and cross border firing and mine blasts on Indian Territory.<sup>3281</sup>

On 30 July 2018, the Government of India issued the final draft of the National Registrar of Citizens (NRC) which said that out of the 32.9 million population of Assam, India's border state, only 28.9 million names were included in the registry. The NRC was updated as a part of the effort to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3276</sup>Remarks by High Commisioner of India at function to hand over Humanitarian Assistance from India, High Commission of India (Dhaka) 9 May 2018. Access Date: 30 September 2018.

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<sup>3278</sup> Visit of Smt. Sushma Swaraj, The Minister of External Affairs of India, to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar on May 10-11 2018, Embassy of India (Yangon) 11 May 2018. Access Date: 30 September 2018.

https://www.embassyofindiayangon.gov.in/press?id=eyJpdil6ImZSK1k2dCszb3NWTlBXRFMrNk1aRkE9PSIsInZhbHVlljoiNUVFUlBmNWRXelV0UEJrUW9YZUdwdz09liwibWFjljoiMDdjZWNmOTk4M2FjM2VlODdhZmlzYzE0Y2Y0OGRkOTUwZTA5ZTU4YzNlZDBkZmZhMTQ2YWNhYzl4MzYwYzZhNSJ9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3279</sup> Visit of Smt. Sushma Swaraj, The Minister of External Affairs of India, to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar on May 10-11 2018, Embassy of India (Yangon) 11 May 2018. Access Date: 30 September 2018.

https://www.embassyofindiayangon.gov.in/press?id=eyJpdil6ImZSK1k2dCszb3NWTIBXRFMrNk1aRkE9PSIsInZhbHVlIjoiNUVFUlBmNWRXelV0UEJrUW9YZUdwdz09IiwibWFjIjoiMDdjZWNmOTk4M2FjM2VlODdhZmIzYzE0Y2Y0OGRkOTUwZTA5ZTU4YzNIZDBkZmZhMTQ2YWNhYzI4MzYwYzZhNSJ9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3280</sup> Cabinet Approves Umbrella Schemes for Relief and Rehabilitation of Migrants and Repatriates, Press Information Bureau, Government of India (Delhi) 4 July 2018. Access Date: 30 September 2018. http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx?relid=180388.

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identify and deport illegal immigrants from neighbouring countries, but those who are not included in the list may be rendered stateless.<sup>3283</sup>

As of 24 September 2018, India contributed USD7,705 to the UN High Commission for Refugees in 2018.<sup>3284</sup> India did not contribute in 2017.<sup>3285</sup>

Through the provision of humanitarian and development assistance, India has addressed its commitment to refugees in the international sphere including assisting the safe return home migrants when applicable. However, India has taken limited action to meet the distinct needs of refugees and migrants domestically.

Thus, India receives a score of 0.

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## Indonesia: 0

Indonesia has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

On 13 September 2017, Indonesia sent 34 tons of aid to Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh.<sup>3286</sup> The aid included tents, rice, sugar and sanitation supplies, water tanks and blankets.<sup>3287</sup>

On 21 September 2017, the Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia, Dr. Ito Sumardi, delivered humanitarian assistance on behalf of the government to camps for internally displaced persons in Myanmar. 3288 The aid included included sarongs, portable water tanks, medicine, and food,. Ambassador Sumardi, also promised further assistance for the reconstruction of damaged infrastructure. 3289

On 14 November 2017, the Government of Indonesia signed the Association of Southeast Asian Nations' (ASEAN) Consensus on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights of Migrant

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3283</sup>Assam: Some four million left out of final India NRC draft list, Al Jazeera News (Guwahati) 30 July 2018. Access Date: 30 September 2018. https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2018/07/4-million-people-left-final-draft-nrc-list-assam-180730044002717.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3284</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2018. Access Date: 9 October 2018. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3288</sup> Government of Myanmar Appreciates Indonesia's Humanitarian Aid, Repeublic of Indonesia Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Yangon) 25 September 2017. Access Date: 26 November 2018.

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Workers. <sup>3290</sup> In addition to highlighting the rights of migrant workers and their families, the Consensus outlines the obligations and commitments of ASEAN member states, including provisions that strengthen migrant workers' access to health services, social protection, and justice. <sup>3291</sup>

On 25 November 2017, Indonesia passed a law on the Protection of Indonesian Migrant Workers.<sup>3292</sup> The law aims to protect Indonesian migrant workers and to foster cooperation between central and regional governments to help migrant workers find work and to protect them once they receive a job.<sup>3293</sup>

As of 8 April 2018, 151 refugees have been detained in a detention centre in Balikpapan. 3294 Although refugees have the legal right to temporary housing in Indonesia, over 1,000 refugees are detained throughout the country. 3295

As of 15 April 2018, hundreds of asylum seekers have camped outside of immigration detention centres in Indonesia, seeking shelter inside.<sup>3296</sup> Although a presidential decree has given refugees rights to shelter, food, water, and medical care, refugees hardly see any assistance from the Indonesian government in practice.<sup>3297</sup>

As of 28 April 2018, 14,000 refugees are still waiting to be resettled in Indonesia, with wait times lasting several years.<sup>3298</sup> It is illegal for refugees to work in Indonesia, so asylum seekers must rely on NGOs to provide assistance and basic needs.<sup>3299</sup>

In April 2018, Indonesian and Malaysian authorities rescued and disembarked 140 Rohingya refugees from three ships fleeing Myanmar.<sup>3300</sup>

September 2018. https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2018/04/detained-afghan-refugees-cry-indonesia-balikpapan-180408080239258.html.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3292</sup> For Migrants' Peace of Mind, The Jakarta Post (Jakarta) 30 October 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2018. http://www.thejakartapost.com/academia/2017/10/30/editorial-for-migrants-peace-of-mind.html.

<sup>3293</sup> New Bill to Protect Indonesian Migrant Workers Passed Into Law, Jakarta Globe (Jakarta) 26 October 2017. Acess Date: 26 November 2018. https://jakartaglobe.id/news/new-bill-protect-indonesian-migrant-workers-passed-law/.
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3295</sup> Detained Afghan refugees cry for help in Indonesia's Balikpapan, Al Jazeera (Doha) 8 April 2018. Access Date: 20 September 2018. https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2018/04/detained-afghan-refugees-cry-indonesia-balikpapan-180408080239258.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3296</sup> On the streets with the desperate refugees who dream of being detained, The Guardian (London) 15 April 2018. Access Date: 20 September 2018. https://www.theguardian.com/world/2018/apr/15/on-the-streets-with-the-desperate-refugees-who-dream-of-being-detained.

As of 24 September 2018, Indonesia contributed USD60,000 to the UN High Commission for Refugees in 2018.<sup>3301</sup> Indonesia also contributed USD60,000 in 2017.<sup>3302</sup>

By strengthening the rights of migrant workers and providing humanitarian assistance to refugees abroad, Indonesia has fulfilled its international obligation with respect to the commitment. However, Indonesia has not adequately addressed the distinct needs of refugees within its borders.

Thus, Indonesia receives a score of 0.

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## Italy: 0

Italy has fully complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safely.

On 12 July 2017, the Italian government advanced an 11-point plan that proposes new rules for non-governmental organizations working with refugees in the Mediterranean Sea. 303 The plan includes a ban on making phone calls or firing flares as they may signal to human traffickers to push boats full of migrants out to sea. 3304 NGO vessels are also required to allow police to travel with to prevent human traffickers hiding amongst migrants. 3305 The boats will also no longer be able to transfer migrants from their boats to others, and are obliged to carry the migrants to the ports. 3306

On 20 July 2017, Italy pledged a EUR9 million humanitarian aid package for Afghanistan, Somalia, South Sudan, and Palestine.<sup>3307</sup> Minister of Foreign Affairs Angelino Alfano announced that the aid will support a number of UN agencies and relief organizations, including the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees in the Near East, UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR), and other Italian non-governmental organizations.<sup>3308</sup> The funding will also support

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3300</sup>UNHCR thanks Indonesia and Malaysia for rescue and disembarkation of Rohingya refugees, calls on countries in the region to comply with maritime search and rescue obligations, UNHCR USA (Washington) 1 May 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018. http://www.unhcr.org/news/press/2018/5/5ae81d624/unhcr-thanks-indonesia-malaysia-rescuedisembarkation-rohingya-refugees.html.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3303</sup> Italy drafts contested code of conduct for NGO migrant boats, Reuters (Rome) 12 July 2017. Access Date: 25 November 2017. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-europe-migrants-ngos/italy-drafts-contested-code-of-conduct-for-ngo-migrant-boats-idUSKBN19X2U1.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3307</sup> Alfano: "Italy makes emergency contributions in Afghanistan, Somalia, South Sudan and Palestine", Farnesina (Rome) 21 July 2017. Access Date: 18 March 2018.

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programs enabling the repatriation of Somalian refugees from Kenya, supplying relief materials for refugees and displaced persons in Afghanistan, and assisting Uganda in hosting its South Sudanese refugees.<sup>3309</sup>

On 7 August 2017, Minister Alfano announced EUR2 million for Eritrean refugees in Ethiopia.<sup>3310</sup> The funding will provide assistance to host communities, including through the improvement of refugee reception and integration standards.<sup>3311</sup>

On 26 September 2017, Minister of the Interior Marco Minniti presented the first official plan for migrant integration initiatives.<sup>3312</sup> The plan's key objectives include teaching respect for women and the Italian language to new arrivals in Italy.<sup>3313</sup>

On 23 October 2017, Italy pledged EUR7 million in humanitarian aid to Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh and Myanmar.<sup>3314</sup> The funding will assure that food, healthcare, and protection is offered to the refugees.<sup>3315</sup> It will be provided by UN agencies and the International Committee of the Red Cross.<sup>3316</sup>

On 22 December 2017, Minister Minniti promised to airlift 10,000 migrants from Libya by next year to counter human trafficking through the Mediterranean Sea.<sup>3317</sup>

On 10 January 2018, during the Summit of the Southern European Union Countries, Italy and other European countries issued a statement urging the EU to share the responsibility of receiving refugees

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3309</sup> Alfano: "Italy makes emergency contributions in Afghanistan, Somalia, South Sudan and Palestine", Farnesina (Rome) 21 July 2017. Access Date: 18 March 2018.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3312</sup>Piano nazionale d'integrazione dei titolari di protezione internazionale, Dipartimento per le Libertà Civili e l'Immigrazione (Rome) 26 September 2017. Access Date: 25 November 2017.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3313</sup> Piano nazionale d'integrazione dei titolari di protezione internazionale, Dipartimento per le Libertà Civili e l'Immigrazione (Rome) 26 September 2017. Access Date: 25 November 2017.

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and helping those states that are at the forefront of the EU's external borders. <sup>3318</sup> They also expressed their determination to continue working with countries of origin and transit. <sup>3319</sup>

On 16 January 2018, the Italian coastguard and finance police, EU Operation Sophia, and ships run by humanitarian agencies rescued 1,400 migrants off the coast of Libya. 3320

On 23 January 2018, Ambassador of Italy to Libya Giuseppe Perrone announced that Italy will send aid to refugees in southern Libya, like medicines and medical equipment, as part of a humanitarian assistance program.<sup>3321</sup>

In January 2018, Italy donated EUR250,000 to the UNHCR to support refugees in Zambia, including by providing basic needs such as food, clean water, sanitation, and blankets.<sup>3322</sup>

On 15 March 2018, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs donated EUR1 million the World Food Programme and UN Children's Fund to support Sahrawi refugees.<sup>3323</sup> The humanitarian aid will provide nutritional food, health, and education for the refugees.<sup>3324</sup>

On 28 March 2018, the Farnesina met with Italian civil society actors to discuss Italy's proposal for the Global Compact on Migration, a global agreement to manage migration flows.<sup>3325</sup>

On 4 June 2018, Interior Minister Matteo Salvini vowed that Italy will no longer be "Europe's refugee camp." The new government has promised tough action to reduce migration flows.

On 15 June 2018, Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte and French President Emmanuel Macron met in Paris to end a diplomatic quarrel over Rome's refusal to accept refugee and migrant ships.<sup>3328</sup> The

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3322</sup> Italy donates 250,000 euros towards refugee programmes in Zambia, The Lusaka Times 31 January 2018. Access Date: 19 March 2018. https://www.lusakatimes.com/2018/01/31/italy-donates-250000-euros-towards-refugee-programmes-zambia/.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3325</sup> Global Compact on Migration: the Farnesina meets the Italian civil society, Farnesina (Rome) 28 March 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018. https://www.esteri.it/mae/en/sala\_stampa/archivionotizie/eventi/2018/03/global-compact-migrazioni-la-farnesina-incontra-la-societa-civile.html.

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leaders urged the EU to set up asylum processing centers in Africa in order to prevent migrants from crossing the Mediterranean Sea, and called for the EU to change its asylum rules.<sup>3329</sup>

On 16 June 2018, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Enzo Moavero met with the Tunisian Minister of Foreign Affairs to discuss their commitment to continue their efforts to cooperate on dealing with irregular migration flows.<sup>3330</sup>

On 17 June 2018, Italy's Interior Minister, Matteo Salvini, refused to allow a ship hosting 630 rescued migrants from off the coast of Libya, operated by SOS Mediterranee and Doctors Without Borders, to dock in Italy. The ship was held between Malta and Sicily for two days. This was also the case for two other ships holding migrants, the Italian Cost Guard ship Dattilo, and the Orione. 3331

On 27 June 2018, the NGO rescue ship Lifeline carrying 234 migrants and was stranded in the Mediterranean for days, docked in Valletta, Malta after Italy and Malta disputed over where the ship would port. Several EU countries, including Italy, committed to taking a share of migrants on board.<sup>3332</sup>

On 29 June 2018, Italy barred a migrant rescue ship run by Spanish charity ProActiva Open Arms, which had no migrants aboard, to dock at its ports.<sup>3333</sup> This was done so on the basis that it was a danger to public order.<sup>3334</sup>

On 30 June 2018, Interior Minister Matteo Salvini, announced the closing of all Italian costal ports for the summer season which has blocked NGO rescue boats carrying migrant from docking in Italy.<sup>3335</sup>

On 4 July 2018, a Spanish charity humanitarian ship called ProActiva Open Arms carrying 60 rescued migrants docked in Barcelona after being turned away by Malta and Italy.<sup>3336</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3329</sup> Italy, France call for refugee processing centres in Africa, Al Jazeera (Paris) 15 June 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018. https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2018/06/italy-france-call-refugee-processing-centres-africa-180615143242634.html.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3333</sup>Italy shuts out another migrant rescue ship, Reuters (Rome) 29 June 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-europe-migrants-italy-openarms/italy-shuts-out-another-migrant-rescue-ship-idUSKBN1JQ015.

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On 16 July 2018, Italy agreed to allow rescue ships to docks in Sicily only if other countries agree to assist in resettling them. Two ships were docked at a port in Pozzallo, Sicily after Germany, Spain, Portugal, France and Malta agreed to accept migrants.<sup>3338</sup>

On 22 August 2018, Prime Minister Conte called on the EU to take in 177 migrants held on a coastguard ship in Catania, Sicily not allowed to disembark.<sup>3339</sup> Minister Salvini later announced that 29 minors were allowed to disembark, and accused European countries of a "cowardly silence."<sup>3340</sup>

On 20 September, Italy allocated EUR3 million to the UNHCR from the Africa Fund of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation. The funding will support a project called "Strengthening reception conditions for persons in need of international protection in Agadez and in Niamey," which has a goal to strengthen the reception and protection system for refugees in Niger, including vulnerable persons from Libya.<sup>3341</sup>

As of 24 September 2018, Italy contributed USD38.3 million to the UNHCR in 2018.<sup>3342</sup> Italy contributed USD51.3 million in 2017.<sup>3343</sup>

Italy has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of migrants and refugees, in particular close to their regions of origin. It has taken international action by providing humanitarian aid for refugees in various countries like Afghanistan, Somalia, South Sudan and Bangladesh. However, Italy has recently taken action to prevent rescue ships to dock at their ports in a bid to gain support from its European counterparts, it has taken domestic action by receiving migrants and bringing them to safety, as well as establishing integration methods for refugees.

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## Japan: 0

Japan has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safely.

During the first 6 months of 2017, the Japanese government received 8,561 applications from asylum seekers, and accepted only three.<sup>3344</sup> While Japan has accepted asylum seekers into its nation, the high volume of rejection indicates that it may not be addressing the needs of migrants to the full extent that it could be.<sup>3345</sup>

In August and September 2017, Syrian refugee students arrived in Japan to begin their studies as a part of the Japanese Initiative for the future of Syrian Refugees (JISR).<sup>3346</sup> The JISR was initiated by Japan in partnership with the UN Human Rights Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in 2016 to give a limited number of Syrian refugee students the opportunity to learn courses within Master'sprograms, with the intention of educating them to contribute to Syria's rebuilding in the future.<sup>3347</sup> The students will be learning Japanese and have already received an orientation in Japanese society and culture.<sup>3348</sup>

On 4 October 2017, Japan announced its new funding towards Syrian refugees, an installment of Emergency Grant Aid of USD3.5 million.<sup>3349</sup> USD1.5 million was given to UNICEF and was used to meet medical needs such as vaccinations, as well as sanitation and other basic needs of Syrian women and children.<sup>3350</sup> USD2 million has been allocated to UNHCR to meet the daily needs of urban refugees in Syria, and to provide health services.<sup>3351</sup>

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On 12 January 2018, the Justice Ministry stated the initiation of a new policy, aimed to limit the number of work permits available to individuals who have applied for refugee status.<sup>3353</sup> Japan's action may pose a hindrance to its migrants, as work is a form of financial support and a way of social integration for migrants.<sup>3354</sup>

On 22 March 2018, with Japan's critical support, UN Habitat launched 'Support to Hosting Communities Affected by South Sudanese Refugees in White Nile State.' The project's goals include delivering safe, clean and accessible market places for hosting South Sudanese refugees in Aljabalain Locality, White Nile State.<sup>3355</sup>

On 13 March 2018, the International Organization for Migration received USD30.5 million from Japan to support its operations in 2018, including helping migrants, IDPs, refugees, returnees and communities afflicted by conflict and crises.<sup>3356</sup> The contribution will support the IOM in Sub-Saharan Africa, Bangladesh, the Middle East and North Africa.<sup>3357</sup>

On 25 April 2018, the Government of Japan announced a new provision of its Emergency Grant Aid to the UNHCR and the UN Children's Fund. Japan granted USD2 million for continued emergency humanitarian assistance in Jordan. A total of USD1 million will support the UNHCR in providing healthcare services for Syrian refugees in Jordan, and USD1 million will support the UNICEF in providing vaccinations, nutrition and medical services for Syrian children and women in the Azraq and Za'atari refugee camps.<sup>3358</sup>

On 1 May 2018, the Japanese government pledged USD10 million towards Palestinian refugees in Syria through the UN Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA).<sup>3359</sup> The funding will support UNRWA in

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3352</sup> UNHCR chief praises Japan's willingness to address "most serious refugee crisis since '90s," 0The Japan Times (Tokyo) 20 November 2017. Access Date: 23 November 2017.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3356</sup>UN Migration Agency Receives USD 30.5 Million from Japan for Humanitarian Support, IOM (Geneva) 13 March 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018. https://www.iom.int/news/un-migration-agency-receives-usd-305-million-japan-humanitarian-support.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3357</sup>UN Migration Agency Receives USD 30.5 Million from Japan for Humanitarian Support, IOM (Geneva) 13 March 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018. https://www.iom.int/news/un-migration-agency-receives-usd-305-million-japan-humanitarian-support.

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Syria, Lebanon, and Jordan, and will be used towards foodstuff assistance, health support and emergency cash assistance.3360

On 29 August 2018, Japan provided USD1.3 million to the World Food Programme in Lebanon to provide food for Syrian refugees, enough for 3,200 families.<sup>3361</sup>

On 5 September 2018, Japan contributed JPY600 million to support the UNRWA's Gaza food assistance programme, and affirmed that it will support refugees in obtaining supplied like wheat flour, beans and sunflower oil.3362

As of 24 September 2018, Japan contributed USD117.2 million to the UNHCR in 2018.3363 Japan contributed USD152.3 million in 2017.3364

Japan has taken substantial action by pledging monetary aid towards Rohingya refugees, and by initiating the JISR program to help address the need of some Syrian refugees. However, Japan's stringent policies against asylum seekers, its limited support for domestic refugees, and new rules regarding asylum seekers' limited job access indicate that Japan does not take sufficient actions in fulfilling its commitment to meeting the need of migrants within its territory.

Thus, Japan has received a score of 0.

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### Korea: 0

Korea has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

On 25 July 2017, 23 Myanmar nationals were resettled in Korea as part of UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) resettlement program.<sup>3365</sup> Another 7 refugees from Myanmar arrived later in August.3366 These refugees were given F-2 visas that allowed them to live and work in Korea, and they also received Korean language instruction and vocational training, in accordance with the 2013 Refugee Act.3367

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On 22 August 2017, the Korean government pledged USD200,000 in humanitarian aid to Nepal in the wake of numerous floods and landslides that killed 131 and destroyed about 9,850 homes.<sup>3368</sup>

On 29 August 2017, the Ministry of Gender Equality and Family announced plans to build two shelters for female migrant victims of physical abuse.<sup>3369</sup>

As of 5 September 2017, migrant fishermen in Korea suffer poor living conditions, long work hours, unequal pay, and verbal and physical assault.<sup>3370</sup> Migrant fishermen are hired under the Seafarers Act, which does not include labour rights or a set minimum wage.<sup>3371</sup>

On 6 September 2017, Director-General of the International Labour Organization (ILO) Guy Ryder called for Korea's Employment Permit System to be reevaluated in order to prevent discrimination and inhuman working conditions. Under the current system, migrant workers do not have the right to seek new employment without the consent of their current employer, leaving them vulnerable to abuse. 3373 He also stated that Korean labour law does not comply with ILO conventions, which stipulate equal treatment and freedom of association. 3374

On 9 September 2017, the Korean government pledged USD200,000 in humanitarian aid to Bangladesh through the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC).<sup>3375</sup>

On 20 September 2017, the Korean government pledged USD1.5 million to the International Organization for Migration (IOM) to provide humanitarian aid to the refugees that have fled Myanmar's Rakhine state.<sup>3376</sup>

As of 18 October 2017, Incheon has only nine lawyers within the Ministry of Justice to assist 61,254 foreign residents, including helping migrants file complaints regarding wages, rental contracts, and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3376</sup> ROK Government to Provide Humanitarian Aid worth US\$1.5 million regarding Situation in Myanmar's Rakhine State, Republic of Korea Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 20 September 2017. Access Date: 24 November 2017. https://reliefweb.int/report/myanmar/rok-government-provide-humanitarian-aid-worth-us15-million-regarding-situation.

immigration proceedings.<sup>3377</sup> As a result, the staff is unable to handle the number of requests received.<sup>3378</sup>

On 2 November 2017, the Korean government announced plans to investigate the situation of undocumented migrant children and address their distinct human rights concerns.<sup>3379</sup> At total of USD113,983 has been allocated to fund the project.<sup>3380</sup> After the investigation, the Ministry of Justice will be tasked with creating policies to ensure that the human rights of undocumented children are upheld.<sup>3381</sup>

As of 7 November 2017, Korea lacks a systematic support system for North Korean defectors, resulting in many North Korean refugees seeking asylum elsewhere.<sup>3382</sup> National Assembly Foreign Affairs and Unification Committee Member Lee Seok-hyun called on the Korean government to expand its assistance framework and help North Korean defectors with finding sustainable jobs and accessing psychological support services during the integration process.<sup>3383</sup>

On 12 November 2017, the Executive Office of the President called on China to release North Korean defectors to the Government of Korea during a meeting between Minister of Foreign Affairs Kang Kyung-wha and Chinese Minister of Foreign Affairs Wang Yi.<sup>3384</sup> This move followed a report received by the Korean Consulate in Shenyang, China that found that ten North Korean defectors were in danger of being deported by the Chinese police.<sup>3385</sup> If China agrees to cooperate, Presidential Press Secretary Yoon Young-chan stated that the decision to move to Korea would be based on the wishes of the defectors.<sup>3386</sup>

On 7 December 2017, the Ministry of Employment and Labour announced that it will take steps to improve labour standards and workplace safety for migrant workers by ensuring them rights to overtime pay, sick leave, and paid holidays.<sup>3387</sup>

On 22 December 2017, an inter-ministerial committee in charge of managing the foreign labor force announced new policies to improve the working and living conditions of migrant workers.<sup>3388</sup> The

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3377</sup> Incheon foreigners suffer legal services shortage, The Korea Times (Seoul) 18 October 2017. Access Date: 3 March 2018. http://koreatimes.co.kr/www/news/nation/2017/10/113\_237827.html.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3380</sup> Gov't to boost protection for undocumented children, The Korea Times (Seoul) 2 November 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2018. http://koreatimes.co.kr/www/news/nation/2017/11/113 238682.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3381</sup> Gov't to boost protection for undocumented children, The Korea Times (Seoul) 2 November 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2018. http://koreatimes.co.kr/www/news/nation/2017/11/113 238682.html.

North Korean defectors choosing third countries over South Korea, The Korea Times (Seoul) 7 November 2017. Access Date: 3 March 2018. http://koreatimes.co.kr/www/news/nation/2017/11/103 238860.html.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3384</sup> Seoul asks Beijing to hand over N. Korean defectors, The Korea Times (Seoul) 12 November 2017. Access Date: 3 March 2018. http://koreatimes.co.kr/www/news/nation/2017/11/103\_239114.html.

<sup>3385</sup> Seoul asks Beijing to hand over N. Korean defectors, The Korea Times (Seoul) 12 November 2017. Access Date: 3 March 2018. http://koreatimes.co.kr/www/news/nation/2017/11/103\_239114.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3386</sup> Seoul asks Beijing to hand over N. Korean defectors, The Korea Times (Seoul) 12 November 2017. Access Date: 3 March 2018. http://koreatimes.co.kr/www/news/nation/2017/11/103\_239114.html.

Ministry vows efforts for better treatment of migrant workers, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 8 December 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2018. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20171208000560&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

committee, headed by Minister of the Office for Government Policy Coordination Hong Nam-gi, pledged to stop migrant workers from being placed with employers that offer vinyl or makeshift houses as residences.<sup>3389</sup> They also announced they would allow migrant workers to change their places of employment if subjected to poor conditions, or if their wages had been unfairly reduced to pay for lodging.<sup>3390</sup>

On 26 December 2017, the Government of Korea announced an extra USD2.6 million in humanitarian aid to the Rohingya migrants in Bangladesh.<sup>3391</sup> These funds will be delivered through the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), UNHCR, World Food Programme (WFP), and UN Population Fund.<sup>3392</sup>

On 13 February 2018, the Cabinet approved a revision to the North Korean Refugees Protection and Settlement Support Act that would cut the questioning period of North Korean defectors from 180 to 90 days.<sup>3393</sup> This was a response to critics who stated that the original questioning period which determines these migrants' motivations for defecting was unnecessarily long.<sup>3394</sup>

On 1 March 2018, the Government of Korea pledged 50,000 tons of Korean rice, valued at USD42.5 million to the WFP to distribute to displaced persons in Syria, Yemen, Kenya, Ethiopia, and Uganda.<sup>3395</sup>

On 25 April 2018, the Government of Korea pledged USD14 million in aid to Syria, as well as neighbouring countries that have faced economic burden due to the Syrian refugee crisis.<sup>3396</sup>

On 16 May 2018, a joint investigation by the Ministry of Gender Equality and Family, the National Police Agency, and the Ministry of Employment and Labour looked into the conditions faced by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3388</sup> Korea to accept 56,000 foreign workers in 2018, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 22 December 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2018. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20171222000777&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3389</sup> Korea to accept 56,000 foreign workers in 2018, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 22 December 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2018. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20171222000777&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3390</sup> Korea to accept 56,000 foreign workers in 2018, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 22 December 2017. Access Date: 13 January 2018. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20171222000777&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

ROK Government Decides to Offer Additional US\$2.6 Million in Human Assistance to Rohingya in Bangladesh and Myanmar, Republic of Korea Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Seoul) 26 December 2017. Access Date: 12 January 2018. https://reliefweb.int/report/bangladesh/rok-government-decides-offer-additional-us26-million-human-assistance-rohingya.

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ROK Government Pledges \$14 mln in Humanitarian Assistance at Brussels Conference on Supporting Future of Syria and Region (Seoul) 26 April 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018. http://www.mofa.go.kr/eng/brd/m 5676/view.do?seq=319807.

migrant women on Korean farms.<sup>3397</sup> A total of 22 cases of abuse were discovered, and victims have since been afforded police protection, accommodation, and counselling.<sup>3398</sup>

On 1 June 2018, the Ministry of Justice officially removed Yemen from the list of states whose nationals are allowed to enter Jeju Island without a visa. This decision followed a recent increase of Yemeni nationals seeking asylum in Jeju due to the Yemeni civil war. 400

As of 13 June 2018, Yemeni asylum seekers in Jeju Island were refused permission to leave for Seoul, where there are government shelters and assistance available to them, but received no such support on the island.<sup>3401</sup> The Korea Immigration Service has expedited work permits for the refugee applicants because of a lack of government resources available in Jeju.<sup>3402</sup>

On 29 June 2018, the Government of Korea announced it would send six more inspectors and two translators to Jeju Island to speed up the refugee application process following an influx of Yemeni nationals.<sup>3403</sup> The Korean government also established a refugee inspection centre on the island to assist rejected refugee applicants in their appeals.<sup>3404</sup>

As of 6 July 2018, 32 Yemeni asylum seekers in Jeju still require medical assistance, despite promises from the Government of Korea to provide food and medical services. Although work permits for Yemeni asylum seekers were expedited, many are unable to secure a steady flow of income due to language barriers and other factors in the absence of government assistance. 3406

On 16 July 2018, seven Yemeni asylum seekers in Jeju Island were permitted to enter other parts of Korea for family reunions and medical treatment.<sup>3407</sup>

On 1 August 2018, Justice Minister Park Sang-ki announced that the Government of Korea would increase the number of those employed in the refugee reviewing process—reducing the current

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Gov't cracks down on sexual assaults against female migrant workers, The Korea Times (Seoul) 16 May 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018. http://www.koreatimes.co.kr/www/nation/2018/05/113\_249087.html.

<sup>3398</sup> Gov't cracks down on sexual assaults against female migrant workers, The Korea Times (Seoul) 16 May 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018. http://www.koreatimes.co.kr/www/nation/2018/05/113 249087.html.

<sup>[</sup>Lee Jae-min] Jeju a testing ground for refugee policy, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 12 June 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180612000253&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3400</sup> [Lee Jae-min] Jeju a testing ground for refugee policy, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 12 June 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180612000253&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

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Access Date: 16 September 2018. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180629000691&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3405</sup> Yemeni asylum seekers on Jeju still need medical assistance: human rights agency, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 6 July 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018.

http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180706000704&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

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 $<sup>\</sup>underline{http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180706000704\&ACE\_SEARCH=1.}$ 

Govt. allows 7 Yemeni asylum seekers to leave Jeju for other areas, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 16 July 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180716000593&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

application review time from three years to less than one.<sup>3408</sup> As of this date, Korea's refugee protection rate is just 11.4 per cent, while the average protection rate for signatories of the 1951 Refugee Convention, of which Korea is a part of, stands at 38 per cent.<sup>3409</sup>

As of 9 August 2018, unpaid wages owed to migrant workers stood at KRW11.5 billion.<sup>3410</sup> This is because 67 per cent of migrant workers are placed in small manufacturing firms by the government, many of which go under and leave workers unpaid.<sup>3411</sup>

On 21 August 2018, the National Human Rights Commission revealed that 225 migrant children had been detained in prison-like facilities between 2015-2017.<sup>3412</sup> Some of these migrant children may have been separated from their parents.<sup>3413</sup> Korea does not currently have laws against the detainment of children, nor time constraints on how long detained migrants can be held.<sup>3414</sup>

As of September 2018, the refugee acceptance rate in Korea is only 2.4 per cent.<sup>3415</sup> Possible reasons include a lack of skilled manpower and logistical resources.<sup>3416</sup>

On 14 September 2018, the Government of Korea issued humanitarian stay permits to 23 Yemeni asylum seekers.<sup>3417</sup>

As of 24 September 2018, Korea contributed USD29.3 million to the UNHCR in 2018.<sup>3418</sup> Korea contributed USD21.8 million in 2017.<sup>3419</sup>

Korea has taken international action by providing monetary assistance to organizations that work to address the distinct needs of migrants. However, while the Korean government does guarantee many rights to refugees, these same benefits are not extended to other migrants, such as humanitarian

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3408</sup> [Newsmaker] Seoul vows to improve refugee protection, simplify review process, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 1 August 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018.

http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180801000511&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3409</sup> [Newsmaker] Seoul vows to improve refugee protection, simplify review process, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 1 August 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018.

http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180801000511&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

<sup>3410</sup> Stale polices and awareness fuel migrant workers abuse, The Korea Times (Seoul) 10 August 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018. http://www.koreatimes.co.kr/www/nation/2018/08/113\_253428.html.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3412</sup> [Newsmaker] Some 220 children held in immigrant detention centers in South Korea, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 21 August 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018.

http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180821000761&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3413</sup> [Newsmaker] Some 220 children held in immigrant detention centers in South Korea, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 21 August 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3414</sup> [Newsmaker] Some 220 children held in immigrant detention centers in South Korea, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 21 August 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018.

http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180821000761&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

<sup>[</sup>Lee Jae-min] Jeju a testing ground for refugee policy, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 12 June 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180612000253&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3416</sup>[Lee Jae-min] Jeju a testing ground for refugee policy, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 12 June 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018. http://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20180612000253&ACE\_SEARCH=1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3417</sup> 23 Yemeni asylum seekers granted humanitarian stay permits, The Korea Times (Seoul) 14 September 2018. Access Date: 16 September 2018. http://www.koreatimes.co.kr/www/nation/2018/09/113\_255557.html.

Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2018. Access Date: 9 October 2018. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3419</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2018. Access Date: 9 October 2018. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles.

status holders. The high rejection rate of refugee status applications and the slowness of the review process show that asylum seekers are not subject to fair asylum procedures.

Thus, Korea receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Kathryn Mannie

#### Mexico: 0

Mexico has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safely.

On 25 August 2017, UN High Commissioner for Refugees Filippo Grandi stated that Mexico needed to increase protection for asylum seekers, especially along its southern border to match the increase of applicants due to the violence against citizens in countries such as Honduras and El Salvador.<sup>3420</sup>

As of 18 January 2018, Mexico has contributed USD900,000<sup>3421</sup> to the World Food Programme (WFP) and its food assistance to vulnerable Syrian populations programme in Burundi, Jordan, Lebanon, South Sudan, Turkey, and the West Africa Bureau.<sup>3422</sup>

On 23 January 2018, Mexican migration authorities were routinely turning back asylum-seeking people from Honduras, El Salvador, and Guatemala without consideration for the risk to their security.<sup>3423</sup>

On 3 April 2018, Mexico offered refugee status to eligible members of a caravan of migrants travelling from Central American countries, which was originally heading for the United States.<sup>3424</sup> Mexico sent 400 of the caravan travellers back to their home countries.<sup>3425</sup>

As of 22 May 2018, there were more than 294, 000 asylum seekers and refugees from Northern Central America in the past year, a 58 per cent rise from the past year. 3426 A vast majority of those fleeing El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras are seeking refuge in Mexico. 3427

Donor Profiles, World Food Programme (Rome) 2017. Access Date: 23 November 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3420</sup> U.N. official urges Mexico and U.S. to boost refugee protection, Reuters (Mexico City) 25 August 2017. Access Date: 21 November 2017. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-mexico-refugees-un/u-n-official-urges-mexico-and-u-s-to-boost-refugee-protection-idUSKCN1B52QS.

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http://www.wfp.org/about/funding/governments/mexico.

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Mexico: Migration authorities unlawfully turning back thousands of Central Americans to possible death, Amnesty International (London) 23 January 2018. Access Date: 2 March 2018.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3424</sup> Mexico Offering Refugee Status to Some in Migrant Caravan, Voice of America News (Washington) 3 April 2018. Access Date: 4 June 2018. https://www.voanews.com/a/mexico-government-to-grant-migrants-refugee-status/4329992.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3425</sup> Mexico Offering Refugee Status to Some in Migrant Caravan, Voice of America News (Washington) 3 April 2018. Access Date: 4 June 2018. https://www.voanews.com/a/mexico-government-to-grant-migrants-refugee-status/4329992.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3426</sup> UNHCR Alarmed by Sharp Rise in Forced Displacement in North of Central America, UNHCR (Geneva), 22 May 2018. Access Date: 10 September 2018. http://www.unhcr.org/news/briefing/2018/5/5b03d89c4/unhcr-alarmed-sharp-rise-forced-displacement-north-central-america.html.

On 4 September 2018, Mexico signed a declaration in Quito calling for countries and international organizations to increase their assistance to support Venezuelan migrants.<sup>3428</sup> Brazil, Ecuador, Costa Rica, Colombia, Chile, Argentina, Panama, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay also signed the declaration.<sup>3429</sup>

For 2018, the refugee assistance agency has a 2018 budget of USD1.3 million and just 15 protection agents responsible to make decisions on more than 7,000 asylum claims.<sup>3430</sup>

As of 24 September 2018, Mexico has not contributed to the UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) in 2018.<sup>3431</sup> Mexico contributed USD80,000 in 2017.<sup>3432</sup>

Mexico has partially complied with its commitment to address refugees and migrants by sustaining existing initiatives such as financial contributions to the UNHCR and WFP. However, it has failed to provide new concrete actions to address the unique needs of refugees and migrants and have taken action that prove harmful to migrants.

Thus, Mexico has received a score of 0.

Analyst: Lisa Alers-Hankey

#### Russia: 0

Russia has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

On 17 July 2017, Russia delivered more than 20 tonnes of humanitarian aid to Yemen, including food, tents and medical equipment.<sup>3433</sup>

In July 2017, Russia granted refugee status to two individuals from Syria, although there are reportedly 7,000 Syrians in Russia who have been assisted by the UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR).<sup>3434</sup>

Between July 2017 and December 2017, the number of individuals granted asylum in Russia has dropped significantly.<sup>3435</sup> Police forces are regularly arresting individuals applying for asylum status

<sup>3428</sup> Venezuela's neighbors seek aid to grapple with migration crisis, Reuters (Quito) 4 September 2018. Access Date: 15 September 2018. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-venezuela-migration-summit/venezuelas-neighbors-seek-aid-to-grapple-with-migration-crisis-idUSKCN1LK2S.

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<sup>3430</sup>Migrants Are Stuck In Mexico With Violence Back Home And 'Zero Tolerance' In The U.S., NPR (Washington) 24 June 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018. https://www.npr.org/2018/06/24/622618462/migrants-are-stuck-in-mexico-with-violence-back-home-and-zero-tolerance-in-the-u.

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Russia delivers humanitarian aid to Yemen, Al Masdar News (Beirut) 19 July 2017. Access Date: 18 March 2018. https://www.almasdarnews.com/article/russia-delivers-humanitarian-aid-yemen/.

<sup>3434</sup>Syrian refugees in Russia have to fight for their rights, Open Democracy (London) 2 November 2017. Access Date: 16 January 2017. https://www.opendemocracy.net/od-russia/ekaterina-fomina/syrian-refugees-in-russia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3427</sup> UNHCR Alarmed by Sharp Rise in Forced Displacement in North of Central America, UNHCR (Geneva) 22 May 2018. Access Date: 10 September 2018. http://www.unhcr.org/news/briefing/2018/5/5b03d89c4/unhcr-alarmed-sharp-rise-forced-displacement-north-central-america.html.

and the Directorate of Migration Affairs brings administrative charges and fines against asylum seekers, violating Article 31 of the UN Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees.<sup>3436</sup>

On 10 January 2018, the Russian Foreign Ministry announced that Russia allocated USD10 million in funding to the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees in the Near East for its work in 2017-2021.<sup>3437</sup>

In July 2018, the Ministry of Defence announced the establishment of the Centre for Refugee Reception, Distribution and Settlement, which monitors the return of refugees and temporarily displaced persons to their places of origin, organizes and transports humanitarian assistance to Syria such as building materials and food, and assists Syrian authorities with the reconstruction of its healthcare system.<sup>3438</sup>

On 18 July 2018, the Ministry of Defence announced that Russian and Syrian authorities had established a refugee center in Syria, called the Centre for the Reception, Allocation and Accommodation of Refugees, to assist refugees returning from abroad.<sup>3439</sup>

Between January 2018 and July 2018, 101,976 refugees have been returned to Syria with the help of the Ministry of Defence.<sup>3440</sup> However, the UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) is wary about the repatriation plan proposed by Russia to send Syrians living in Lebanon and Jordan back to Syria, as the country is not yet prepared for the safe return of refugees.<sup>3441</sup>

As of 24 September 2018, Russia contributed USD2 million to the UNHCR in 2018.<sup>3442</sup> Russia also contributed USD2 million in 2017.<sup>3443</sup>

Russia has taken some steps to ensure the protection of migrants and refugees internationally, by donating money to the UNHCR. However, it has severely undermined these efforts through its unfair treatment of asylum seekers within its own territory, as well as its efforts to repatriate Syrian refugees to Syria where it is uncertain that they are returning home safely.

Thus, Russia receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Nadine Abd El Razek

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3435</sup> Syrian refugees in Russia have to fight for their rights, Open Democracy (London) 2 November 2017. Access Date: 16 January 2017. https://www.opendemocracy.net/od-russia/ekaterina-fomina/syrian-refugees-in-russia.

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Moscow praises UN help to Palestinian refugees, TASS (Moscow) 10 January 2018. Access Date: 18 March 2018. http://tass.com/politics/984536.

Russia announces return of more than 100,00 refugees to Syria since January, Euronews (Paris) 23 July 2018. Access Date: 18 September 2018.https://www.euronews.com/2018/07/23/russia-announces-return-of-more-than-100-00-refugees-to-syria-since-january.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3439</sup>Russian and Syrian authorities set up center for refugees returning to Syria, Reuters (Moscow) 18 July 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-mideast-crisis-syria-refugees/russian-and-syrian-authorities-set-up-center-for-refugees-returning-to-syria-idUSKBN1K81Z2.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3441</sup> Syrian Refugees Concerned Over Russia's Repatriation Plan, VOA News (Washington) 21 August 2018. Access Date: 18 September 2018.https://www.voanews.com/a/syrian-refugees-russia-involvement/4537372.html.

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#### Saudi Arabia: 0

Saudi Arabia has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

By 24 August 2017, the Saudi Arabian government ordered illegal migrants to register their intention to return to their country of origin, regardless of the domestic conditions of each individual's country of origin.<sup>3444</sup> If they fail to register, they could face detention, fines, and deportation.<sup>3445</sup>

In September 2017, the Saudi Arabian government pledged USD15 million in aid for Rohingya Muslim refugees in Myanmar.<sup>3446</sup>

In November 2017 at the UN General Assembly, the Government of Saudi Arabia pledged USD37 million to the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) to assist Palestinian refugees in 2018.<sup>3447</sup>As of 6 November 2017, Saudi Arabia pledged over USD51 million to the UNRWA to support programs in health and education in 2017.<sup>3448</sup>

By 29 November 2017, more than 1300 Ethiopians were expelled from Saudi Arabia in "recent days." Many expelled Ethiopians were unable to claim asylum and be entitled to international protection due to the fact that Saudi Arabia is not party to the 1951 Refugee Convention. 3450

On 6 January 2018, Saudi Arabia and the UAE agreed to join Malaysia in a joint humanitarian project to assist Rohingya refugees in Cox's Bazaar in Bangladesh.<sup>3451</sup> Saudi Arabia agreed to provide medical supplies and other materials for Malaysia's field hospital to assist refugees.<sup>3452</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3444</sup> Why Saudi Arabia Must Halt Deportation of Half a Million Ethiopians, Human Rights Watch (New York City) 24 August 2017. Access Date: 14 January 2018. https://www.hrw.org/news/2017/08/24/why-saudi-arabia-must-halt-deportation-half-million-ethiopians.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3445</sup> Why Saudi Arabia Must Halt Deportation of Half a Million Ethiopians, Human Rights Watch (New York City) 24 August 2017. Access Date: 14 January 2018. https://www.hrw.org/news/2017/08/24/why-saudi-arabia-must-halt-deportation-half-million-ethiopians.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3446</sup> Rohingya crisis: Saudi Arabia stays silent on growing humanitarian disaster despite oil interests and historic ties, The Independent (London) 21 September 2017. Access Date: 14 January 2018.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3447</sup> 'Epic' Humanitarian Crisis Looms Should Palestine Refugee Agency Be Compelled to Scale Back Services, Delegates Warn as Fourth Committee Debate Continues, The UN Press (Geneva) 6 November 2017. Access Date: 12 March 2018. https://www.un.org/press/en/2017/gaspd654.doc.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3448</sup> Epic' Humanitarian Crisis Looms Should Palestine Refugee Agency Be Compelled to Scale Back Services, Delegates Warn as Fourth Committee Debate Continues, The UN Press (Geneva) 6 November 2017. Access Ddate: 18 March 2018. https://www.un.org/press/en/2017/gaspd654.doc.htm.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3450</sup> Ethiopia Says Saudi Arabia Has Expelled More Than 1,300 of Its Citizens, Bloomberg (Addis Ababa) 29 November 2017. Access Date: 8 March 2018. https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2017-11-29/ethiopia-says-saudi-arabia-expels-more-than-1-300-citizens.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3451</sup> UAE and Saudi to join Malaysia in humanitarian mission to Bangladesh, The Star Online (Kluang) 6 January 2018. Access Date: 18 March 2018. https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2018/01/06/uae-and-saudi-to-join-malaysia-in-humanitarian-mission-to-bangladesh/.

On 22 January 2018, the Saudi Arabian government pledged USD1.5 billion in humanitarian aid for Yemen, although the funds have not yet been formally allocated.<sup>3453</sup>

On 29 January 2018, Saudi Arabia and the UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) signed an agreement to assist Syrian refugees in Lebanon.<sup>3454</sup> The agreement includes a USD3.5 million contribution from Saudi Arabia for a housing rehabilitation project for refugees.<sup>3455</sup>

In April 2018, Saudi Arabia contributed USD50 million to the UNRWA. The funding will support the UNRWA's core services, including providing education for Palestinian refugee children in the Middle East and providing health care services.<sup>3456</sup>

On 27 July 2018, refugees in three camps in Dadaab, Kenya received a 1,200 tonnes consignment of relief food from Saudi Arabia, including rice, sugar, dates, salt, maize, beans and wheat flour.<sup>3457</sup>

In August 2018, Saudi Arabia donated USD1.5 million worth of dates to the World Food Programme to support refugees living in camps in Algeria, tripling its contribution.<sup>3458</sup>

In August 2018, the Government of Saudi Arabia committed USD5 million to the UNHCR in support of internally displaced persons in Syria.<sup>3459</sup> The contribution will help to improve shelter conditions for IDPs.<sup>3460</sup>

As of 24 September 2018, Saudi Arabia contributed USD47.8 million to the UNHCR in 2018.<sup>3461</sup> Saudi Aarabia contributed USD18 million in 2017.<sup>3462</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3452</sup> UAE and Saudi to join Malaysia in humanitarian mission to Bangladesh, The Star Online (Kluang) 6 January 2018. Access Date: 18 March 2018. https://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2018/01/06/uae-and-saudi-to-join-malaysia-in-humanitarian-mission-to-bangladesh/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3453</sup> Saudi-led coalition to give \$1.5 billion in Yemen aid, expand port capacity, Reuters (Riyadh) 22 January 2018. Access Date: 11 March 2018. http://news.trust.org/item/20180122000138-nzflj/.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3455</sup> Saudi Arabia, UNHCR sign agreement to aid Syrian refugees in Lebanon, Arab News (Jeddah) 30 January 2018. Access Date: 18 March 2018. http://www.arabnews.com/node/1235776/saudi-arabia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3456</sup>Kingdom Of Saudi Arabia Makes Landmark Contribution Of Us\$50 Million To UNRWA, UNRWA (Amman) 27 April 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018. https://www.unrwa.org/newsroom/press-releases/kingdom-saudi-arabia-makes-landmark-contribution-us50-million-unrwa.

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https://www.wfp.org/news/news-release/saudi-arabia-triples-yearly-contribution-dates-refugees-living-camps-algeria. <sup>3459</sup>The UN Refugee Agency and the Government of Saudi Arabia sign MoU to assist internally displaced Syrians, Saudi Gazette 1(Jeddah) 5 August 2018. Access Date: 17 September 2018.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3460</sup> The UN Refugee Agency and the Government of Saudi Arabia sign MoU to assist internally displaced Syrians, Saudi Gazette 1(Jeddah) 5 August 2018. Access Date: 17 September 2018.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3461</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2018. Access Date: 9 October 2018. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles. <sup>3462</sup> Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2018. Access Date: 9 October 2018. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles.

Saudi Arabia has taken some steps to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants by providing monetary aid to international organizations that assist refugees abroad but has not taken any steps to support refugees domestically.

Thus, Saudi Arabia receives a score of 0.

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#### South Africa: 0

South Africa has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

On 23 August 2017, more than 473 migrant applications were delayed by the South African government.<sup>3463</sup> The Department of Home Affairs (DHA) is legally required to process overdue applications within a reasonable timeframe; however, some have been delayed for over four years.<sup>3464</sup>

As of September 2017, the low number of Refugee Reception Offices (RROs) throughout the country meant asylum seekers were facing difficulties in maintaining the validity of their documentation, as they were required to travel long distances to RROs every three to six months.<sup>3465</sup> RROs are critical to carrying out the services entitled to asylum seekers by the Refugee Act.<sup>3466</sup>

On 3 October 2017, Minister of Home Affairs Hlengiwe Mkhize spoke to the Executive Committee of the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR).<sup>3467</sup> The Minister reaffirmed the South African government's commitment to keeping their ports of entry open to incoming migrants and providing access to education and healthcare.<sup>3468</sup> She also confirmed that the South African government has upgraded the technology in its refugee centres to increase efficiency in processing asylum applications.<sup>3469</sup>

As of 17 October 2017, a growing number of asylum seekers were being arrested and deported without due process as they attempted to renew their Section 22 permits.<sup>3470</sup> There had been many

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3466</sup> SCA rules that closure of Cape Town Refugee Reception Office unlawful, Legal Resources Centre (Cape Town) 29 September 2017. Access Date: 25 November 2017. http://lrc.org.za/lrcarchive/press-releases/3739-press-release-scarules-that-closure-of-cape-town-refugee-reception-office-unlawful.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3467</sup> SA committed to treating asylum seekers with dignity, SA News (Cape Town) 3 October 2017. Access Date: 25 November 2017. https://www.sanews.gov.za/south-africa/sa-committed-treating-asylum-seekers-dignity.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3468</sup> SA committed to treating asylum seekers with dignity, SA News (Cape Town) 3 October 2017. Access Date: 25 November 2017. https://www.sanews.gov.za/south-africa/sa-committed-treating-asylum-seekers-dignity.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3470</sup> South Africa steps up deportation of asylum seekers, Refugees Deeply (Johannesburg) 17 October 2017. Access Date: 25 November 2017. https://www.newsdeeply.com/refugees/articles/2017/10/17/south-africa-steps-up-deportation-of-asylum-seekers.

instances where asylum seekers were only verbally told that their application had been denied and did not receive any kind of written record.<sup>3471</sup> Additionally, in some cases, asylum seekers were told their applications had been denied despite an official decision never being made.<sup>3472</sup>

On 18 October 2017, the South African government announced the development of an action plan to address the unique challenges faced by unaccompanied migrant children. There has been a lack of funding in this area, many front-line officials are incapable of adequately providing for unaccompanied children, and there are no accurate statistics on this specific demographic. Migrant children in South Africa generally lack access to basic services, which is a violation of human rights protected by the South African Constitution. The support of th

On 15 November 2017, the DHA introduced a new travel document for refugees, with updated technology and security standards, in accordance with the UNHCR and International Civil Aviation Authority guidelines.<sup>3476</sup> The enhanced security decreases the risk of identity fraud and increases trust in the refugee who uses them, ensuring safe travel for refugees, as the risk of exploitation, abuse, and violence decreases.<sup>3477</sup>

On 13 December 2017, a report indicated that dozens of migrant children were being illegally detained alongside adults at the Lindela Repatriation Centre.<sup>3478</sup> In addition, the clinic at the centre denied life-saving care to migrants and lacks Tuberculosis and Human Immunodeficiency Virus

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testing equipment.<sup>3479</sup> Beatings and suspicious deaths have also been reported at the Krugersdorp centre.<sup>3480</sup>

On 18 December 2017, the Government of South Africa passed the Refugees Amendment Act.<sup>3481</sup> The amendment includes policies dictating that refugees may lose their status through voluntary actions, such as re-availing themselves to their country of origin, or if the circumstances for their refugee status no longer exist.<sup>3482</sup>

On 19 December 2017, it was reported that migrant business owners are often subjected to harassment and extortion, receive minimal protection from the police, and oftentimes must bribe officials.<sup>3483</sup> Furthermore, South Africa's migration policy has become more exclusionary as evident by the 90 per cent rejection rate among asylum and refugee applications.<sup>3484</sup>

In 2017, the Departments of Health and of Sports and Recreation assisted the International Organization for Migration in providing healthcare to migrants and had supported migrant youth in sports participation.<sup>3485</sup>

As of 31 January 2018, the portable toilets at the Cape Town RRO were removed and migrants have resorted to relieving themselves on the grounds outside the building.<sup>3486</sup>

On 10 February 2018, Home Affairs Director of Asylum Seeker Management Mandla Madumisa reported that there is currently a backlog of 140,000 asylum status appeal cases during a hearing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3479</sup> Children illegally detained under Bosasa's watch at Lindela as healthcare crumbles, Mail & Guardian (Rosebank) 13 December 2017. Access Date: 5 March 2018. http://bhekisisa.org/article/2017-12-13-00-children-illegally-detained-under-bosasas-watch-at-lindela-as-health-care-crumbles.

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conducted by the South African Human Rights Commission.<sup>3487</sup> Furthermore, the majority of asylum seekers need to bribe officials with ZAR2,500 in order to gain refugee status.<sup>3488</sup>

As of 7 March 2018, over 1,000 asylum seekers are fearing deportation because the DHA lacks the interpreters needed to provide assistance with applications for refugee status.<sup>3489</sup> Without a refugee application underway, asylum seekers lack the documentation that prevents the police from deporting them.<sup>3490</sup> Under normal circumstances, asylum seekers could access a call centre and request a translator to accompany them to the DHA, but the call centres are understaffed.<sup>3491</sup>

On 12 April 2018, it was announced that the DHA would issue birth certificates to children born to undocumented migrants. This move does not allow the recipients of these birth certificates to claim South African citizenship. 493

As of 5 June 2018, the DHA has not reopened the Cape Town and Port Elizabeth RROs to new applicants, despite court orders to do so.<sup>3494</sup> The Cape Town RRO was meant to be reopened by 31 March 2018<sup>3495</sup> and the Port Elizabeth RRO was meant to be reopened by 1 July 2016.<sup>3496</sup>

On 11 June 2018, reports indicated that foreign nationals exchanged money for access to the Desmond Tutu RRO.<sup>3497</sup> There have been numerous reports of corruption and extortion occurring within the RRO.<sup>3498</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3497</sup> We are 'treated like dogs' and 'forced to pay bribes' to get asylum – foreign nationals, New24 (Cape Town) 12 June 2018. Access Date: 19 September 2018. https://www.news24.com/SouthAfrica/News/we-are-treated-like-dogs-and-forced-to-pay-bribes-to-get-asylum-foreign-nationals-20180612.

On 20 June 2018, an open letter to President Cyril Ramaphosa indicated that the treatment of asylum seekers in South America had worsened since Malusi Gigaba became Minster of Home Affairs earlier in 2018.<sup>3499</sup> Claims include that DHA suffers from inefficiency and corruption, and that Home Affairs has failed to comply with the Refugees Act and numerous international conventions.<sup>3500</sup> The various abuses listed includes inordinately long wait times in the refugee application process, unlawful refusal to renew permits, denying applications to asylum seekers, and immediately arresting and detaining asylum seekers when their applications are rejected.<sup>3501</sup>

On 31 August 2018, the Portfolio Committee on Home Affairs visited the Desmond Tutu RRO and found that officials were involved in criminal activity in and around the RRO and that security in the area had not improved.<sup>3502</sup>

As of 7 September 2018, many Zimbabweans who surrendered their asylum documents in order to apply for the Dispensation of Zimbabweans Project (DZP) permit, which allowed for the legalization of many Zimbabwean migrants through a different process than applying for asylum, still have not received their documentation. 3503 Many who applied had their documents retained by the Department of Home Affairs, and those who never received their DZP permit are unable to reapply for the permit or for asylum, leaving many undocumented. 3504

As of 24 September 2018, South Africa contributed USD9,741 to the UNHCR in 2018.<sup>3505</sup> South Africa contributed USD147,382 in 2017.<sup>3506</sup>

South Africa has contributed to international actions to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants by contributing financial support to organizations such as the UNHCR. Domestically, South Africa has worked to improve their refugee determination process. However, it is difficult for migrants to access the services they are entitled to and efforts have not been made to address these problems.

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Thus, South Africa receives a score of 0.

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## Turkey: +1

Turkey has fully complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

On 13 July 2017, the United Kingdom's Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration David Bolt published a report based on an inspection of entry clearance operations in Istanbul carried out by the Turkish government between November 2016 and March 2017.<sup>3507</sup> He found that Istanbul's handling of family reunification applications had improved.<sup>3508</sup> Nonetheless, he mentioned work still needs to be done in granting access to interpreters and the commissioning and funding of DNA tests.<sup>3509</sup>

In August 2017, the Ministry of Family and Social Affairs announced that it would oversee the return of 100,000 Syrians to Syria by the end of 2017, in cooperation with the UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR).<sup>3510</sup> This is in addition to the 70,000 individuals that have already returned.<sup>3511</sup> The Ministry announced that psychological support would be provided to women and children returnees.<sup>3512</sup> Furthermore, the Turkish Disaster Management Agency intends to help rebuild towns in northern Syria to help facilitate refugee return.<sup>3513</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3507</sup> The Chief Inspector has published a report on family reunion applications received at the Istanbul entry clearance decision making centre, Gov.UK (London) 13 July 2017. Access Date: 18 December 2017.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/the-chief-inspector-has-published-a-report-on-family-reunion-applications-received-at-the-istanbul-entry-clearance-decision-making-centre.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3508</sup> The Chief Inspector has published a report on family reunion applications received at the Istanbul entry clearance decision making centre, Gov.UK (London) 13 July 2017. Access Date: 18 December 2017.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/the-chief-inspector-has-published-a-report-on-family-reunion-applications-received-at-the-istanbul-entry-clearance-decision-making-centre.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3509</sup> The Chief Inspector has published a report on family reunion applications received at the Istanbul entry clearance decision making centre, Gov.UK (London) 13 July 2017. Access Date: December 18 2017.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/the-chief-inspector-has-published-a-report-on-family-reunion-applications-received-at-the-istanbul-entry-clearance-decision-making-centre.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3510</sup> Around 100,000 refugees expected to return to Syria from Turkey by end of 2017: Study, Hurriyet Daily News (Ankara) 7 August 2017. Access Date: 14 January 2018. http://www.hurriyetdailynews.com/around-100000-refugees-expected-to-return-to-syria-from-turkey-by-end-of-2017-study-116438.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3512</sup> Around 100,000 refugees expected to return to Syria from Turkey by end of 2017: Study, Hurriyet Daily News (Ankara) 7 August 2017. Access Date: 14 January 2018. http://www.hurriyetdailynews.com/around-100000-refugees-expected-to-return-to-syria-from-turkey-by-end-of-2017-study-116438.

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On 2 September 2017, the Cooperation and Coordination Agency donated its first shipment of 1,000 tonnes of foodstuffs and medicine to the conflict zone of the Rakhine state in Myanmar, making it the first foreign organization to do so.<sup>3514</sup>

In November 2017, Turkey received EUR2.9 billion from the EU from its 18 March 2016 EUR3 billion pledge to provide a wide range of services, including healthcare, border control, education and a limited universal income for Syrian refugees.<sup>3515</sup>

In November 2017, the Ministry of National Education and the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) published two guidebooks to enhance the quality of special education services offered to Syrian refugees in public schools and temporary education centres.<sup>3516</sup>

Additionally, in November 2017, the Ministry of Family and Social Policies and UNICEF collaborated to develop a Rolling Work Plan for 2018-2019 to expand social cohesion programmes to integrate Turkish language courses and child protection services for refugee children.<sup>3517</sup>

On 22 November 2017, Deputy Prime Minister Recep Akdag announced that Turkey would build 5,000 prefabricated homes for Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh in addition to its initial promise of 20,000.<sup>3518</sup>The Disaster and Emergency Management Authority (AFAD), Turkish Red Crescent, and TIKA also promised to build two field hospitals and ten medical centers in Cox's Bazaar to support Rohingya refugees.<sup>3519</sup>

On 29 November 2017, Minister of Family and Social Policies Fatma Kaya stressed that a significant portion of the EUR3.3 billion allocated by the EU to Turkey for refugees must go toward the education of Syrian refugee children.<sup>3520</sup> UNICEF found a 22 per cent increase of the Syrian refugee

UNICEF Turkey Humanitarian Situation Report No. 15, UNICEF (Ankara) November 2017, Access Date: 8 January 2018.

https://reliefweb.int/sites/reliefweb.int/files/resources/UNICEF%20Turkey%20Humanitarian%20Situation%20Report%20%2315%20November%202017%20.pdf.

<sup>3517</sup> UNICEF Turkey Humanitarian Situation Report No. 15, UNICEF (Ankara) November 2017, Access Date: 8 January 2018.

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http://www.aile.gov.tr/haberler/bugun-turkiyede-okula-gidemeyen-suriyeli-cocuk-varsa-bu-dunyanin-sorunudur.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3514</sup> Rohingya crisis brings Turkey and Bangladesh closer, Al Jazeera (Cox's Bazar) 22 December 2017. Access Date: 19 March 2018. https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2017/12/rohingya-crisis-brings-turkey-bangladesh-closer-171222140806764.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3515</sup> Mülteci hesabı, Hürriyet (Ankara) 14 November 2017. Access Date: 27 December 2017.

http://www.hurriyet.com.tr/multeci-hesabi-40644078.

children receiving cash transfers from the Turkish state to attend school from September 2017 to November 2017.<sup>3521</sup> As a result, regular school enrolment has increased in this period.<sup>3522</sup>

On 19 December 2017, Prime Minister Binali Yıldırım vowed that Turkey would continue to support Bangladesh with Rohingya refugees during an official visit to the country. Sizua Since mid-September, TIKA distributed 2.5 tonnes of ingredients every day, often rice, lentils, and potatoes to Rohingya refugees in southern Bangladesh. TIKA had also distributed 10,000 blankets, provided essential medical care, and built a playground for Rohingya children in refugee camps. The AFAD and Religious Affairs Directorate also provided aid and medical care for Rohingya refugees.

On 7 February 2018, Minister Kaya announced her continued commitment to meeting the needs of refugees by expanding the psychological support services that had already been given to 300,000 Syrian refugees.<sup>3527</sup> She reiterated her focus on women and children, with a commitment to continue placing vulnerable children in foster care, and abused women into shelters.<sup>3528</sup>

On 15 February 2018, Minister Kaya welcomed UN High Commissioner for Refugees Grandi and maintained her call for cooperation in directing funds properly towards refugee care.<sup>3529</sup> The Minister again specifically took into consideration the needs of children, such as education, by calling for continued cooperation with UNICEF in implementing the Mandatory Education Program.<sup>3530</sup>

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UNICEF Turkey Humanitarian Situation Report No. 15, UNICEF (Ankara) November 2017. Access Date: 8 January 2018.http://www.unicefturk.org/public/uploads/files/UNICEF%20Turkey%20Humanitarian%20Situation%20Report%20%2315%20November%202017%20.pdf.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3524</sup> Rohingya crisis brings Turkey and Bangladesh closer, Al Jazeera (Cox's Bazar) 22 December 2017. Access Date: 19 March 2018. https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2017/12/rohingya-crisis-brings-turkey-bangladesh-closer-171222140806764.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3525</sup> Rohingya crisis brings Turkey and Bangladesh closer, Al Jazeera (Cox's Bazar) 22 December 2017. Access Date: 19 March 2018. https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2017/12/rohingya-crisis-brings-turkey-bangladesh-closer-171222140806764.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3526</sup> Rohingya crisis brings Turkey and Bangladesh closer, Al Jazeera (Cox's Bazar) 22 December 2017. Access Date: 19 March 2018. https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2017/12/rohingya-crisis-brings-turkey-bangladesh-closer-171222140806764.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3527</sup>Ülkemizde misafir ettiğimiz Suriyeli çocuklarımızın kendi çocuklarımız gibi okul ve eğitim hayatının içerisinde kopmadan yer almalarını lok önemli buluyoruz, T.C. Aile ve Sosyal Politikalar Bakanligi (Ankara) 7 February 2018. Access Date: 4 March 2018. http://www.aile.gov.tr/haberler/ulkemizde-misafir-ettigimiz-suriyeli-cocuklarimizin-kendi-cocuklarimiz-gibi-okul-ve-egitim-hayatinin-icerisinde-kopmadan-yer-almalarini-cok-onemli-buluyoruz.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3528</sup> Ülkemizde misafir ettiğimiz Suriyeli çocuklarımızın kendi çocuklarımız gibi okul ve eğitim hayatının içerisinde kopmadan yer almalarını lok önemli buluyoruz, T.C. Aile ve Sosyal Politikalar Bakanligi (Ankara) 7 February 2018. Access Date: 4 March 2018. http://www.aile.gov.tr/haberler/ulkemizde-misafir-ettigimiz-suriyeli-cocuklarimizin-kendi-cocuklarimiz-gibi-okul-ve-egitim-hayatının-icerisinde-kopmadan-yer-almalarını-cok-onemli-buluyoruz.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3529</sup>Bakan Kaya, BM Mülteciler Yüksek Komiseri Filippo Grandi'yi kabul etti, T.C. Aile ve Sosyal Politikalar Bakanligi (Ankara) 15 February 2018. Access Date: 4 March 2018. http://www.aile.gov.tr/haberler/bakan-kaya-bm-multeciler-yuksek-komiseri-filippo-grandiyi-kabul-etti.

<sup>3530</sup>Bakan Kaya, BM Mülteciler Yüksek Komiseri Filippo Grandi'yi kabul etti, T.C. Aile ve Sosyal Politikalar Bakanligi

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3530</sup> Bakan Kaya, BM Mülteciler Yüksek Komiseri Filippo Grandi'yi kabul etti, T.C. Aile ve Sosyal Politikalar Bakanligi (Ankara) 15 February 2018. Access Date: 4 March 2018. http://www.aile.gov.tr/haberler/bakan-kaya-bm-multeciler-yuksek-komiseri-filippo-grandiyi-kabul-etti.

On 23 February 2018, Head of the AFAD Mehmet Gulluoglu announced that Turkey distributed more than USD10 million in aid to support Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh since August 2017.<sup>3531</sup>

In April 2018, Minister Kaya announced her Ministry's collaboration with UNICEF in the creation of a specific aid project to assist refugee children in Turkey working on the streets.<sup>3532</sup> It had also been noted that 52,000 Syrian children had already been part of the Turkey-UNICEF "Social Adjustment Program,"rin which the interaction of refugee children with Turkish children had been achieved in schools. <sup>3533</sup>

In May 2018, the Education Ministry reiterated its commitment to the schooling of Syrian refugee children with the financial support of the EU, indicating that a record 63per cent of them were now in school.<sup>3534</sup> In a meeting with EU officials, the Ministry stated that it would set its efforts towards the construction of 215 new schools, mostly in areas with a high population of Syrian refugees. <sup>3535</sup>

In June 2018, AFAD distributed generous aid packages to approximately 87,100 Iraqi Turkmens with the ground support of the Turkish Red Crescent and Turkish Foreign Ministry. 3536 The Iraqi Turkmens were internally displaced persons in Northern Iraq. 3537

As of June 2018, most Syrian refugee women in Turkey continue to live below the hunger threshold, and lack proper Turkish language education and knowledge of social resources. 3538

In July 2018, there were concerns over Turkish border officials who had stopped registering Syrian asylum seekers, and public officials who had refused to issue temporary IDs and travel permits for

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3531</sup> 'Turkey provided over \$10M for Rohingya refugees', Daily Sabah 24 February 2018. Access Date: 19 March 2018.https://www.dailysabah.com/asia/2018/02/24/turkey-provided-over-10m-for-rohingya-refugees.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3532</sup>UNICEF ile işbirliğimiz kapsamında sokaklarda çalışan yabancı uyruklu çocuklarımıza müdahalede bulunacak mobil ekipler kuracağız," T.C. Aile ve Sosyal Politikalar Bakanligi (Ankara) 24 April 2018. Access Date: 24 September 2018. https://www.aile.gov.tr/haberler/unicef-ile-isbirligimiz-kapsaminda-sokaklarda-calisan-yabanci-uyruklu-cocuklarimiza-mudahalede-bulunacak-mobil-ekipler-kuracagiz.

UNICEF ile işbirliğimiz kapsamında sokaklarda çalışan yabancı uyruklu çocuklarımıza müdahalede bulunacak mobil ekipler kuracağız," T.C. Aile ve Sosyal Politikalar Bakanligi (Ankara) 24 April 2018. Access Date: 24 September 2018. https://www.aile.gov.tr/haberler/unicef-ile-isbirligimiz-kapsaminda-sokaklarda-calisan-yabanci-uyruklu-cocuklarimiza-mudahalede-bulunacak-mobil-ekipler-kuracagiz.

Bakan Yılmaz: Türkiye'deki Suriyelilerin okullaşma oranı yüzde 63'e yaklaştı, T.C. MİLLÎ EĞİTİM BAKANLIĞI (Ankara) 23 May 2018. Access Date: 24 September 2018. http://www.meb.gov.tr/bakan-yilmaz-turkiyedeki-suriyelilerin-okullasma-orani-yuzde-63e-yaklasti/haber/16453/tr#prettyPhoto.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3535</sup>Bakan Yılmaz: Türkiye'deki Suriyelilerin okullaşma oranı yüzde 63'e yaklaştı, T.C. MİLLÎLEĞİTİM BAKANLIĞI (Ankara) 23 May 2018. Access Date: 24 September 2018. http://www.meb.gov.tr/bakan-yilmaz-turkiyedeki-suriyelilerin-okullasma-orani-yuzde-63e-yaklasti/haber/16453/tr#prettyPhoto.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3536</sup> Iraklı Türkmenleri Yalnız Bırakmadık, AFAD (Ankara) 14 June 2018. Access Date: 25 September 2018, https://www.afad.gov.tr/tr/28475/Irakli-Turkmenleri-Yalniz-Birakmadik.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3537</sup> Iraklı Türkmenleri Yalnız Bırakmadık, AFAD (Ankara) 14 June 2018. Access Date: 25 September 2018. https://www.afad.gov.tr/tr/28475/Irakli-Turkmenleri-Yalniz-Birakmadik.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3538</sup> Access to housing, inability to speak in Turkish and employment are the biggest challenges for Syrian women in Turkey, finds new report, UN Women (New York City) 21 June 2018. Access Date: 26 September 2018. http://eca.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2018/06/un-womens-new-report-for-syrian-women-in-turkey.

Syrians, 3539 There were allegations of bribery in the Turkish border services, and report that some state hospitals refused to serve refugees with urgent medical needs.<sup>3540</sup>

In August 2018, AFAD launched another ambitious program to aid Arakanese refugees in Bangladesh, including the delivery of over 2000 food parcels, 3541as well as the delivery of ceremonial clothes for hundreds of refugee children in time for the Muslim Eid Al-Adha holiday. 3542

As of 24 September 2018, Turkey contributed USD300,000 to the UNHCR in 2018.3543 Turkey contributed USD300,000 in 2017.3544

Given the large influx of refugees within Turkey, efforts have been concentrated on domestic actions. Turkey has taken some steps towards addressing the needs of migrants within their territory by financially contributing to refugee assistance programs, especially considering the needs of women and children, and collaborating with international organizations. Turkey has also taken various steps to meet the distinct needs for refugees in Bangladesh, meeting the international component of the commitment.

Thus, Turkey receives a score of +1.

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# United Kingdom: 0

The United Kingdom has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

On 13 July 2017, Independent Chief Inspector of Borders and Immigration David Bolt reaffirmed the Home Office's default position of refusing family reunification requests for refugees coming from Turkey rather than deferring a decision until more evidence can be produced.<sup>3545</sup>

On 19 July 2017, Home Secretary Amber Rudd announced a GBP1 million fund to help communities support refugees. 3546 The money would be used to fund training and support for all the groups that decided to join the program.<sup>3547</sup>

https://www.hrw.org/news/2018/07/16/turkey-stops-registering-syrian-asylum-seekers.

Turkey Stops Registering Syrian Asylum Seekers, Human Rights Watch (Istanbul) 16 July 2018. Access Date: 26 September 2018. https://www.hrw.org/news/2018/07/16/turkey-stops-registering-syrian-asylum-seekers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3539</sup> Turkey Stops Registering Syrian Asylum Seekers, Human Rights Watch (Istanbul) 16 July 2018. Access Date: 26 September 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3541</sup> AFAD, Kurban Bayramı Öncesi Arakanlı Sığınmacıların Yanında, AFAD (Ankara) 17 August 2018. Access Date: 26 September 2018. https://www.afad.gov.tr/tr/29951/AFAD-Kurban-Bayrami-Oncesi-Arakanli-Siginmacilarin-Yaninda. <sup>3542</sup>Arakanlı Çocukların Bayramlık Kıyafetleri Türkiye'den, AFAD (Ankara) 28 August 2018. Access Date: 26 September 2018.https://www.afad.gov.tr/tr/30040/Arakanli-Cocuklarin-Bayramlik-Kiyafetleri-Turkiye-den.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3545</sup> The Chief Inspector has published a report on family reunion applications received at the Istanbul entry clearance decision making centre, Gov. UK (London) 13 July 2017. Access Date: 18 December 2017.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3546</sup>Home Secretary announces £1 million to help communities support refugees, Gov.UK (London) 19 July 2017. Access Date: 18 December 2017. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/home-secretary-announces-1-million-to-helpcommunities-support-refugees.

On 25 August 2017, 8,500 Syrian refugees arrived in the UK as part of the Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme.<sup>3548</sup> This meant that over one third of the refugees that the UK government promised to resettle before 2020 were already in the UK.<sup>3549</sup>

On 6 October 2017, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) announced the Department for International Development had donated 4,000 shelter kits to Rohingya refugees fleeing into Bangladesh.<sup>3550</sup> Each shelter kit contained two plastic sheets, two ropes, two blankets and one sleeping mat per family.<sup>3551</sup>

On 9 November 2017, the UK government announced that councils across England will receive GBP18 million in extra funding to alleviate local services' over-extension caused by recent migration influxes.<sup>3552</sup>

On 15 November 2017, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Zeid Ra'ad al-Hussein accused the UK, among other countries, for the hardships that Libyan refugees endure. The comments come in the context of the UK supporting the Libyan coastguard in intercepting refugee boats so they do not land in Italy. The High Commissioner was particularly vocal in regards to the beatings, shootings, and fatal sinking of migrants and refugees that allegedly occur.

On 17 November 2017, the Department for International Development co-funded a program that provides solar energy to remote health posts where Rohingya refugees reside.<sup>3556</sup> The program allows for 24-hour healthcare services, which would have been otherwise restricted at night time.<sup>3557</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3547</sup>Home Secretary announces £1 million to help communities support refugees, Gov.UK (London) 19 July 2017. Access Date: 18 December 2017. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/home-secretary-announces-1-million-to-help-communities-support-refugees.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3548</sup>8,500 refugees arrive on the Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme, Gov.UK (London) 25 August 2017. Access Date: 18 December 2017. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/8500-refugees-arrive-on-the-vulnerable-persons-resettlement-scheme

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3549</sup>8,500 refugees arrive on the Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme, Gov.UK (London) 25 August 2017. Access Date: 18 December 2017. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/8500-refugees-arrive-on-the-vulnerable-persons-resettlement-scheme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3550</sup> Rohingya refugees continue to flood into packed Cox's bazaar settlement, International Organization for Migration (Geneva) 6 October 2017. Accessed 2 March 2018. https://www.iom.int/news/rohingya-refugees-continue-flood-packed-coxs-bazar-settlements.

<sup>3551</sup> Rohingya refugees continue to flood into packed Cox's bazaar settlement, International Organization for Migration

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UN accuses Britain of 'turning a blind eye to horrors suffered by refugees,' Independent (London) 15 November 2017. Access Date: 1 March 2018. http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/un-uk-refugee-crisis-accusation-libyan-coastguard-turning-blind-eye-horrors-suffered-torture-rape-a8057121.html.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3555</sup> UN accuses Britain of 'turning a blind eye to horrors suffered by refugees,' Independent (London) 15 November 2017. Access Date: 1 March 2018. http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/un-uk-refugee-crisis-accusation-libyan-coastguard-turning-blind-eye-horrors-suffered-torture-rape-a8057121.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3556</sup> Solar Power brings 24-hour healthcare to Rohingya refugees, local communities in Bangladesh, International Organization for Migration (Geneva) 17 November 2017. Access Date: 3 March 2018. https://www.iom.int/news/solar-power-brings-24-hour-healthcare-rohingya-refugees-local-communities-bangladesh.

On 12 December 2017, Deputy Permanent Representative to the UN Jonathan Allen stated in a speech that the UK provided USD79 million to the UN's Humanitarian Response Plan in order to provide life-saving assistance and protection to refugees fleeing towards Bangladesh.<sup>3558</sup> He also called upon Myanmar to engage with the UN Secretary General openly and meaningfully in order to ensure that the return of refugees will eventually be possible.<sup>3559</sup>

On 14 December 2017, the UK government pledged a GBP52 million humanitarian package for South Sudan in the context of the start of peace negotiations. The aid will also extend to neighbouring Sudan, Uganda, and Ethiopia, which have also been affected by South Sudanese refugee influxes. The package will provide enough medicine, shelter, food, and sanitation to help 50,000 South Sudanese migrants for the next five years. Additionally, food assistance will be offered to 950,000 refugees living in Uganda. Essential healthcare will also be provided to 450,000 refugees sheltered in Ethiopia. The many as 500,000 individuals in South Sudan will be aided through emergency food, medicine, shelter, health and sanitation, seeds, tools, and fishing kits, which will enable the South Sudanese to feed their families.

On 18 December 2017, International Development Secretary Penny Mordaunt unveiled an aid package meant to address forced displacement.<sup>3566</sup> She reiterated the above-mentioned figures for South Sudan, to which she added that 460,000 refugees in Tanzania will be helped to find work so that they can remain where they are without being forced to migrate elsewhere to find job opportunities.<sup>3567</sup> The Secretary also announced a GBP5 million aid package to Libya, which would offer humanitarian aid to migrants and refugees, including some of those in detention.<sup>3568</sup> She said the UK was collaborating with Ethiopia to create 100,000 new jobs for Ethiopians and refugees

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3557</sup> Solar Power brings 24-hour healthcare to Rohingya refugees, local communities in Bangladesh, International Organization for Migration (Geneva) 17 November 2017. Access Date: 3 March 2018. https://www.iom.int/news/solar-power-brings-24-hour-healthcare-rohingya-refugees-local-communities-bangladesh.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3558</sup>"Today's conditions in the Rakhine state do not yet allow for the safe, voluntary, and dignified return of refugees to their homes. Gov.UK (London) 12 December 2017. Access Date: 18 December 2017.

https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/todays-conditions-in-the-rakhine-state-do-not-yet-allow-for-the-safe-voluntary-and-dignified-return-of-refugees-to-their-homes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3559</sup>Today's conditions in the Rakhine state do not yet allow for the safe, voluntary, and dignified return of refugees to their homes, Gov.UK (London) 12 December 2017. Access Date: 18 December 2017.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3563</sup>New UK aid support for South Sudan, Gov.UK (London) 14 December 2017. Access Date: 20 December 2017. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-uk-aid-support-for-south-sudan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3564</sup>New UK aid support for South Sudan, Gov.UK (London) 14 December 2017. Access Date: 20 December 2017. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-uk-aid-support-for-south-sudan.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3567</sup>UK aid tackling global migration crisis, Gov.UK (London) 18 December 2017. Access Date: 20 December 2017. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-aid-tackling-global-migration-crisis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3568</sup>UK aid tackling global migration crisis, Gov.UK (London) 18 December 2017. Access Date: 20 December 2017. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-aid-tackling-global-migration-crisis.

through a Jobs Compact program.<sup>3569</sup> The UK has helped issue 70,000 work permits for Syrian refugees in Jordan.<sup>3570</sup> The UK has also helped return 2,200 people from Libya and Niger. Secretary Mordaunt also announced the establishment of a fund called Education Cannot Wait, which offers education opportunities to 4.5 million children in Chad, Ethiopia, and Syria.<sup>3571</sup>

On 16 January 2018, extra funding valuing a total of GBP29 million was given to councils from the UK government in order to support them in aiding unaccompanied asylum-seeking children.<sup>3572</sup>

On 19 January 2018, Prime Minister Theresa May signed the Sandhurst Treaty with French President Emmanuel Macron for Calais to prevent migrants from crossing to the UK through France.<sup>3573</sup> As a result of this deal, the UK will pay EUR50 million for fencing, CCTV, and other detection technologies in Calais and channel ports, essentially stopping migrants trying to reach British shores.<sup>3574</sup> The Sandhurst Treaty will speed up the time taken to process migration from Calais to the UK, reducing the wait time from six months to one month for adults, and 25 days for minors.<sup>3575</sup>The UK also agreed to accept 260 unaccompanied minors from France.<sup>3576</sup>

On 8 February 2018, the UK police arrested three men suspected of enslaving 200 migrants (mostly from Bulgaria, Romania, and Lithuania) on a British flower farm. The operation was considered one of the biggest crackdowns on modern slave trade.<sup>3577</sup>

On 26 February 2018, the IOM announced the UK had resettled 10,538 refugees as part of the Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme.<sup>3578</sup> It is a system meant to resettle Middle Eastern and Northern African minors and their families whose lives are at risk.<sup>3579</sup>

On 24 May 2018, Home Secretary Sajid Javid announced new legislation that will allow for free citizenship application processing for the "Windrush generation," or Commonwealth nationals who

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3569</sup>UK aid tackling global migration crisis, Gov.UK (London) 18 December 2017. Access Date: 20 December 2017. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-aid-tackling-global-migration-crisis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3570</sup>UK aid tackling global migration crisis, Gov.UK (London) 18 December 2017. Access Date: 20 December 2017. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-aid-tackling-global-migration-crisis.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3572</sup>£29 million extra to boost councils' support for vulnerable children, Gov.UK (London) 16 January 2018. Access Date: 16 January 2018. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/29-million-extra-to-boost-councils-support-for-vulnerable-children.

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settled in the UK before 1973.<sup>3580</sup> Children of the Windrush generation who joined their parents before they turned 18 will also apply for citizenship without paying any fees.<sup>3581</sup>

On 8 June 2018, Communities Minister Lord Nick Bourne announced that councils in England will receive a further budget increase of GBP19 million to be spent on local services facilitating integration of refugees and migrants.<sup>3582</sup> These services will include housing, education, and health services.<sup>3583</sup> Out of the GBP19 million, GBP1.75 million will be dedicated to integrating refugees into the workforce and their new communities, and GBP1.1 million will be dedicated to combating modern slavery of migrants.<sup>3584</sup>

On 16 July 2018, the Minister of State for Immigration met with ministers from other countries and released a joint statement to underline their support for community-based sponsorship. The purpose was to meet ahead of the 2018 UN General Assembly and agreement on the Global Compact on Refugees to show their solidarity.<sup>3585</sup>

On 30 July 2018, the UK announced an aid package of GBP2.7 million to a Scottish charity working in Yemen, where 75per cent of the population is in need of humanitarian assistance.<sup>3586</sup> The funding package will allow the charity to provide 73,000 litres of clean water to the country, as well as food for 21,000 people.<sup>3587</sup> Furthermore, the package will also provide cash transfers for essential items such as food, water, and medicine.<sup>3588</sup>

On 17 August 2018, Minister for the Middle East Alistair Burt pledged an aid package for the 2.9 million Syrians displaced in Idlib and surrounding provinces.<sup>3589</sup> The main features of the package include emergency assistance and vital medical support, support for four health centres and two

Home Secretary launches Windrush scheme, Gov.UK (London) 24 May 2018. Access Date: 26 September 2018. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/home-secretary-launches-windrush-scheme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3581</sup> Home Secretary launches Windrush scheme, Gov.UK (London) 24 May 2018. Access Date: 26 September 2018. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/home-secretary-launches-windrush-scheme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3582</sup>£19 million funding for councils to boost integration, Gov.UK (London) 8 June 2018. Access Date: 17 July 2018. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/19-million-funding-for-councils-to-boost-integration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3583</sup>£19 million funding for councils to boost integration, Gov.UK (London) 8 June 2018. Access Date: 17 July 2018. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/19-million-funding-for-councils-to-boost-integration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3584</sup>£19 million funding for councils to boost integration, Gov.UK (London) 8 June 2018. Access Date: 17 July 2018. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/19-million-funding-for-councils-to-boost-integration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3585</sup>Joint Statement - Ministers from Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Argentina, Spain and New Zealand underline their support for community-based refugee sponsorship in advance of the 2018 United Nations General Assembly and agreement on the Global Compact on Refugees, Newswire (London) 16 July 2018. Access Date: 4 October 2018. https://www.newswire.ca/news-releases/joint-statement---ministers-from-canada-the-united-kingdom-ireland-argentina-spain-and-new-zealand-underline-their-support-for-community-based-refugee-sponsorship-in-advance-of-the-2018-united-nations-general-688280161.html.

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mobile health teams, as well as new technology that provides civilians with early warnings of bombings.<sup>3590</sup>

On 14 September 2018, Minister Burt announced an aid package meant to provide shelter and avoid the spread of deadly diseases in the context of the Idlib bombing.<sup>3591</sup> The package contains clean water and sanitation, support for doctors and nurses on the ground, shelters for those displaced by the bombing, and mental health services to both children and adults.<sup>3592</sup>

As of 24 September 2018, the UK contributed USD75.1 million to the UNHCR in 2018.<sup>3593</sup> The UK contributed USD136.2 million in 2017.<sup>3594</sup>

The United Kingdom has taken efforts to meet the domestic and international components of this commitment. Domestically, it has accepted refugees and has enhanced the integration of refugees and migrants. It has also taken a substantial role in international efforts to address the needs of migrants by providing aid packages to refugees in countries such as South Sudan and Tanzania. However, the United Kingdom has also undermined its efforts to address the needs of refugees by supporting the Libyan coast guard and signing an agreement with France to stop migrants from reaching British shores.<sup>3595</sup>

Thus, the United Kingdom receives a score of 0.

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## United States: 0

The United States has partially complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

On 13 July 2017, the US Agency for International Development (USAID) announced USD119 million in funding to assist Iraqis displaced by ISIS.<sup>3596</sup> The aid includes medical care and nutritional assistance.<sup>3597</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3590</sup> New UK help to protect millions at risk from deadly airstrikes in North West Syria, Gov.UK (London) 17 August 2018. Access Date: 14 September 2018. https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-uk-help-to-protect-millions-at-risk-from-deadly-airstrikes-in-north-west-syria.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3595</sup>UK 'complicit' in spiralling death toll of refugees and migrants in Mediterranean, human rights charity says, The Independent (London) 8 August 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018.

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United States Announces Additional Humanitarian Assistance For Iraqi People, USAID Press Office (Washington) 13 July 2017. Access Date: 13 March 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/jul-13-2017-united-states-announces-additional-humanitarian-assistance-iraqi-people.

On 20 September 2017, USAID announced nearly USD264 million in funding to assist internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Iraq. <sup>3598</sup> The funding will help provide emergency shelter, health care, safe drinking water, and food. <sup>3599</sup>

On 24 September 2017, President Donald Trump issued travel restrictions for nationals of Chad, Yemen, Libya, Iran, North Korea, Somalia, Syria, and Venezuela. The travel restrictions took full effect on 4 December 2017. 4601

On 24 October 2017, the 120-day suspension of the refugee admissions program put into place by President Trump expired.<sup>3602</sup> The March 2017 Executive Order directed the Secretary of State and Secretary of Homeland Security to suspend the refugee admissions program for 120 days, though waivers were still granted on a case-by-case basis.<sup>3603</sup> The United States refugee admissions program thus resumed at this time, although President Trump called for a 90-day review for the program in regards to 11 "high risk" countries of origin.<sup>3604</sup>

On 24 October 2017, President Trump issued an Executive Order calling for a 90-day review of security procedures for 11 countries, including Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Mali, South Sudan, and Syria.<sup>3605</sup>

<sup>3597</sup> United States Announces Additional Humanitarian Assistance For Iraqi People, USAID Press Office (Washington) 13 July 2017. Access Date: 13 March 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/jul-13-2017-united-states-announces-additional-humanitarian-assistance-iraqi-people.

<sup>3598</sup> USAID Administrator Green Announces Additional Humanitarian Assistance For Iraqi People, Office of Press Relations USAID (Washington) 20 September 2017. Access Date: 13 March 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/sep-20-2017-usaid-administrator-green-announces-additional-humanitarian-assistance-for-iraqi-people.

<sup>3599</sup> USAID Administrator Green Announces Additional Humanitarian Assistance For Iraqi People, Office of Press Relations USAID (Washington) 20 September 2017. Access Date: 13 March 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/sep-20-2017-usaid-administrator-green-announces-additional-humanitarian-assistance-for-iraqi-people.

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<sup>3601</sup> Supreme Court Allows Trump Travel Ban to Take Effect, The New York Times (Washington) 4 December 2017. Access Date: 20 February 2018. https://www.nytimes.com/2017/12/04/us/politics/trump-travel-ban-supreme-court.html; Presidential Proclamation Enhancing Vetting Capabilities and Processes for Detecting Attempted Entry into the United States by Terrorists or Other Public-Safety Threats, The White House (Washington) 24 September 2017. Access Date: 20 February 2018. https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/presidential-proclamation-enhancing-vetting-capabilities-processes-detecting-attempted-entry-united-states-terrorists-public-safety-threats/. 
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<sup>3605</sup> Presidential Executive Order on Resuming the United States Refugee Admissions Program with Enhanced Vetting Capabilities, White House (Washington) 24 October 2017. Access Date: 28 February 2018. https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/presidential-executive-order-resuming-united-states-refugee-admissions-program-enhanced-vetting-capabilities/. As of 31 December 2017, the US continued its funding of the Refugee and Entrant Assistant account for the fiscal year of 2017 at USD2.141 billion to address migrant needs in integrating into US society.<sup>3606</sup>

For the fiscal year of 2017, the US provided over USD1 billion in humanitarian funding for the Horn of Africa. 3607 The US has collaborated with the UNHCR, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), International Organization of Migration (IOM), the World Food Programme (WFP) and numerous other non-governmental organizations. 3608 The funding has supported activities such as providing nutrition for refugees, preventing gender-based violence for refugee women in camps, providing basic education for refugees, and providing psychosocial assistance for refugees, among others. 3609

Additionally, in 2017, the US reduced the number of refugee applicants it will accept and the number of offices that handle refugees. $^{3610}$ 

On 8 January 2018, President Trump ended the temporary protected status of Salvadorans living in the US, forcing them to leave the country or be deported by September 2019.<sup>3611</sup> The temporary protection status is a humanitarian relief program aimed at providing relief for people fleeing their country due to natural disasters or conflict.<sup>3612</sup> Salvadorians are the fourth nationality to lose temporary protection status in the US since January 2017.<sup>3613</sup>On 31 January 2018, the Department of Homeland Security announced enhanced security procedures for refugees seeking resettlement in the

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US.<sup>3614</sup> These procedures included additional screening procedures for 11 countries and periodic reviews of the high-risk refugee countries of origin list.

On 8 March 2018, the Migrant and Refugee Human Rights Protection Project, which was sponsored by USAID, ended.<sup>3615</sup> The US provided a total of USD673,301 to the Macedonian Young Lawyers Association over a period of two years in order to provide legal assistance, monitoring and capacity building on issues related to asylum seekers, migrants, and refugees.<sup>3616</sup>

Between 18 April 2018 to 31 May 31 2018, 1,995 children had been separated from their families while seeking asylum at the US border. The Trump administration argued that these policy changes were necessary to deter immigrants from entering the US illegally. 3618

As of 13 July 2018, the US has contributed USD221.5 million in humanitarian funding in response to the Somalian crisis in the fiscal year of 2018.<sup>3619</sup> In addition, the US government provided about USD15.9 million for Somali refugees in the Horn of Africa and Yemen.<sup>3620</sup>

On 24 July 2018, the US government announced additional USD170 million in humanitarian assistance to the people of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, many of whom have been displaced because of conflict or natural disaster, as well as refugees seeking shelter in Ethiopia. Market Implementing partners of the US government provided emergency food and nutrition assistance, medical care, shelter and safe drinking water to these individuals. Market Market Individuals Market Indi

On 26 July 2018, the Trump administration announced that more than 1,800 children separated at the southern border were reunited with parents and sponsors.<sup>3623</sup> However, 700 remained apart,

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including 431 children whose parents had been deported. The administration said the process would take longer to reunify the 431 children, as there is more paperwork as authorities fly them back to their country.<sup>3624</sup>

On 8 August 2018, Ambassador to the UN Nikki Haley announced that the US will give Colombia USD9 million to help support the influx of refugees from Venezuela.<sup>3625</sup>

As of 8 August 2018, the US government has provided USD64.8 million of humanitarian funding in response to the crisis in Central African Republic.<sup>3626</sup> The US government and its implementing partners have provided assistance to displaced and vulnerable population both within the Central African Republic and among Central African refugees and host communities in neighbouring countries.<sup>3627</sup>

As of 10 August 2018, the US government has provided USD46.3 million in humanitarian funding to the Venezuela-Colombia border crisis in the fiscal years 2017-2018. The funding supports the WFP in assisting food insecure Venezuelans, Colombian returnees and Colombian host community members with emergency food assistance. Implementing partners include the UNHCR and the IOM, among other agencies.

As of 20 August 2018, the US government announced that funding figures for Syria for the fiscal years of 2012-2018 had reached over USD8.6 billion, with the funding for the fiscal year of 2018 reaching USD1.6 billion.<sup>3631</sup> The funding supported organizations including the UNHCR, the IOM, UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), and the World Health Organization (WHO), among various others, in assisting IDPs in Syria.<sup>3632</sup> The funding went to activities such as humanitarian coordination and information

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3624</sup> Hundreds of children taken from parents at U.S.-Mexico border remain separated, CBC (Toronto) 26 July 2018. Access Date: 5 October 2018. https://www.cbc.ca/news/world/family-separations-us-border-1.4762220.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3625</sup>U.S. to give Colombia \$9 million to help Venezuelan migrants: Haley, Reuters (Cucuta) 8 August 2018. Access Date: 5 October 2018. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-colombia-usa-venezuela/u-s-to-give-colombia-9-million-to-help-venezuelan-migrants-haley-idUSKBN1KT2OA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3626</sup>CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC – COMPLEX EMERGENCY, Fact Sheet #5, Fiscal Year 2018, USAID (Washington) 8 August 2018. Access Date: 29 September 2018.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3628</sup> VENEZUELA - REGIONAL CRISIS, Fact Sheet #4, Fiscal Year 2018, USAID (Washington) 10 August 2018. Access Date: 29 September 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/sites/default/files/documents/1866/venezuela cr fs04 08-10-2018.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3629</sup> VENEZUELA - REGIONAL CRISIS, Fact Sheet #4, Fiscal Year 2018, USAID (Washington) 10 August 2018. Access Date:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3630</sup> VENEZUELA - REGIONAL CRISIS, Fact Sheet #4, Fiscal Year 2018, USAID (Washington) 10 August 2018. Access Date:

<sup>29</sup> September 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/sites/default/files/documents/1866/venezuela cr fs04 08-10-2018.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3631</sup> SYRIA - COMPLEX EMERGENCY Fact Sheet #10, Fiscal Year 2018, USAID (Washington) 20 August 2018. Access Date:

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<sup>3632</sup> SYRIA - COMPLEX EMERGENCY Fact Sheet #10, Fiscal Year 2018, USAID (Washington) 20 August 2018. Access Date: 29 September 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/sites/default/files/documents/1866/08.20.18\_-

management, relief commodities, shelter and settlements, meeting health concerns and providing nutritious meals, and offering protection and education for children.<sup>3633</sup>

On 24 August 2018, the US government announced that it was withdrawing USD200 million from its development agency USAID for programmes that assist people in Gaza.<sup>3634</sup>

As of 24 August 2018, the US has provided about USD299.8 million in response to the humanitarian crisis in Myanmar in the fiscal years 2017-2018.3635 Funding includes more than USD131 million in the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (State/PRM) funding, approximately USD69 million in USAID/Food for Peace funding, and nearly USD3.6 million in USAID/The Office of US Foreign Disaster Assistance funding for populations in Burma and Bangladesh affected by the ongoing regional crisis in Rakhine.3636

On 31 August 2018, the US government announced that it would cut funding to UNRWA.<sup>3637</sup>

As of 31 August 2018, the US has admitted 19,899 refugees, a number significantly lower than the refugee allocation ceiling for the 2018 fiscal year of 45,000.<sup>3638</sup>

As of 4 September 2018, the US government committed about USD934.4 million in humanitarian funding for the Lake Chad Basin Response for the fiscal year of 2017-2018.<sup>3639</sup> The funding supports agencies like the UNHCR, the International Organization for Migration (IOM), UNICEF, and the WFP.<sup>3640</sup> The funding supports initiatives for displaced persons, which includes providing protection and offering multi-sector assistance for IDPs, as well as offering education, health and nutrition assistance for IDPs and host communities in Nigeria, Chad, Niger and Cameroon.<sup>3641</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3633</sup> SYRIA - COMPLEX EMERGENCY Fact Sheet #10, Fiscal Year 2018, USAID (Washington) 20 August 2018. Access Date: 29 September 2018. https://www.usaid.gov/sites/default/files/documents/1866/08.20.18\_- USG Syria Complex Emergency Fact Sheet 10.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3634</sup> US confirms end to funding for UN Palestinian refugees, The Guardian (Jerusalem) 31 August 2018. Access Date: 4 October 2018. https://www.theguardian.com/world/2018/aug/31/trump-to-cut-all-us-funding-for-uns-main-palestinian-refugee-programme.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3638</sup>U.S. lowers the number of refugee resettlements again, and no country is poised to fill the gap. PBS (Arlington) 24 September 2018. Access Date: 4 October 2018. https://www.pbs.org/newshour/world/u-s-lowers-the-number-of-refugee-resettlements-again-and-no-country-is-poised-to-fill-the-gap.

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As of 7 September 2018, the US has contributed over USD481 million in response to the humanitarian crisis in South Sudan for the fiscal year of 2018, with an additional USD63.6 million devoted to South Sudanese refugees in neighbouring countries.<sup>3642</sup> The funding supports agencies including the UNHCR, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), UNICEF, WFP and IOM.<sup>3643</sup> The funding has supported preventing gender-based violence, providing safe drinking water and nutrition, providing basic education and providing psychosocial assistance for IDPs, among others.<sup>3644</sup>

On 17 September 2018, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo announced that the US will resettle 30,000 refugees in the fiscal year of 2019,<sup>3645</sup> a reduction of one third from the 45,000 refugees resettled in 2018.<sup>3646</sup>

As of 24 September 2018, the US contributed USD1.2 billion to the UNHCR in 2018.<sup>3647</sup> The US contributed USD1.4 billion in 2017.<sup>3648</sup>

The US has implemented some measures which address the needs of migrants internationally and domestically based on its funding of certain programs. However, travel restrictions and enhanced security policies enacted create an unfair set of procedures for domestic refugee determination processes.

Thus, the United States receives a score of 0.

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## European Union: +1

The European Union has fully complied with its commitment to address the distinct needs of refugees and migrants, in particular close to their region of origin and, when applicable, to enable them to return home safety.

On 6 September 2017, the European Commission called on all member states to keep up the good work made in the process of managing irregular migration.<sup>3649</sup> At the same time, it also announced that 27,695 persons had been relocated to Turkey through the EU-Turkey Statement, which has both curtailed irregular migration and facilitated the resettlement of 10,000 Syrians in the EU.<sup>3650</sup> Particularly, the EU-Turkey refugee deal has helped reduce the number of arrivals to just 75 arrivals

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per day, equating to an overall decrease of 97 per cent since the Statement first began operating.<sup>3651</sup> The European Commission also increased monetary support for the Facility for Refugees in Turkey. Of the EUR3 billion to be allocated, contracts to deliver financial support were signed for a total of EUR1.66 billion and disbursements increased to EUR838 million.<sup>3652</sup> As a result, the number of refugees helped by the Emergency Social Safety Net, a humanitarian program funded by the EU, rose from 600,000 to 860,000 and is expected to reach 1.3 million by the end of 2017.<sup>3653</sup> The European Commission stated it had collaborated with partners in Africa to stabilize death rates at sea and reduce the number of people crossing the Mediterranean Sea to Europe.<sup>3654</sup>

On 20 July 2017, the Initiative for the Protection and Reintegration of Migrants, in collaboration with the EU and International Organization for Migration (IOM) was launched in Nigeria. The EU Trust Fund supports the initiative, which provides Nigerian migrants reintegration assistance to start businesses, provide educational opportunities, or cover medical and accommodation costs upon repatriation.

On 6 September 2017, High Representative of the Commission Federica Mogherini indicated that the EU helped assist over 11,000 migrants in their voluntary returns to Libya and Niger alongside the IOM since 2016.<sup>3657</sup> Similarly, under the Partnership Framework, the Sahel region was aided by the EU in areas of security and development.<sup>3658</sup> A grand total of 169 contracts, worth over EUR1.2 billion, were signed under the EU Trust Fund for Africa, which had expanded to cover Guinea Bissau, Ghana, and Cote d'Ivoire as well.<sup>3659</sup> The EU also helps the G5 Sahel force with financial packages worth EUR 50 million.<sup>3660</sup> The EU also worked alongside Italy and Libya to build border

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3651</sup> European Agenda on Migration: Good progress in managing migration flows needs to be sustained, European Commission (Brussels) 6 September 2017. Access Date: 7 January 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-17-3081\_en.htm.

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and migration management capacities in Libya. Their cost was EUR46.3 million.<sup>3661</sup> Through this effort, protection of migrants and refugees was improved, willful returns increased, and legal avenues for persons in need of protection were opened throughout 2017.<sup>3662</sup>

On 27 September 2017, President Jean-Claude Juncker presented a set of initiatives to enforce the EU migration and asylum policy in his State of the Union Address. The President presented a new resettlement scheme for at least 50,000 refugees, pilot projects for legal migration that would be financially supported by the European Commission, and new measures to create a more effective EU return policy. The EU had helped alleviate the burden on Italy and Greece by relocating 29,000 people. The new resettlement scheme indicated that at least 50,000 vulnerable persons should be brought in the EU over the next 2 years. This scheme will be effective until October 2019 and will be undertaken in collaboration with member states, which are bound to receive EUR500 million in order to pursue proper resettlement.

On 17 October 2017, the European Commission announced that it had reached one million refugees living in Turkey through its Emergency Social Safety Net program, which initially began in September 2016.<sup>3668</sup>

On 23 October 2017, the European Union co-hosted a conference in Geneva alongside the IOM, the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR), the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, and Kuwait. A total of 35 humanitarian aid pledges were made, collectively

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3664</sup> State of the Union 2017 — Commission presents next steps towards a stronger, more effective and fairer EU migration and asylum policy, European Commission (Brussels). 27 September 2017. Access Date: 12 January 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-17-3406\_en.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3665</sup> State of the Union 2017 — Commission presents next steps towards a stronger, more effective and fairer EU migration and asylum policy, European Commission (Brussels). 27 September 2017. Access Date: 12 January 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-17-3406\_en.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3666</sup> State of the Union 2017 — Commission presents next steps towards a stronger, more effective and fairer EU migration and asylum policy, European Commission (Brussels). 27 September 2017. Access Date: 12 January 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-17-3406 en.htm.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3668</sup> 1 million refugees in Turkey reached by EU's Emergency Social Safety Net, European Commission (Brussels) 17 October 2017. Access Date: 17 January 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-17-3902\_en.htm

worth USD344 million.3669 The pledges directed humanitarian aid to Rohingya refugees and host communities in Bangladesh.3670

On 15 November 2017, High Representative Mogherini pledged to strengthen the European Agenda on Migration.<sup>3671</sup> At the same time, she announced its already existing successes, which include providing EUR3 billion to refugees in Turkey by the end of 2017, facilitating access to monthly electronic cash transfers to 1 million Syrian refugees, investing almost EUR2 billion in the EU Trust Fund for Africa to support economic development and help manage migration crises, as well as cooperating with the UNHCR, UN Children's Fund, and the IOM to improve living conditions of migrants in Libya through medical assistance.<sup>3672</sup> In addition, the EU Trust Fund for Africa also worked in tandem with the Nigerian government in search-and-rescue missions in deserts, which resulted in 1,100 migrants being brought to safety.3673 Almost 15,000 migrants, 10,000 of them from Libya, have been helped to voluntarily return to their countries of origin.<sup>3674</sup> The EU has also worked with member to extract pledges for the new resettlement scheme. As a result, 34,400 pledges have been made by 16 EU member since September 2017, but could exceed 50,000 by October 2019.3675

On 20 December 2017, the European Commission drafted the European Partnership for Integration alongside its social and economic partners in order to facilitate the integration of refugees into the European labour market.<sup>3676</sup> The plan emphasis youth employment and intends to engage private and public actors, EU institutions, local authorities, and civil society organizations.<sup>3677</sup> The key principles of the plan include providing support at the earliest time possible, making sure integration actually benefits refugees in a meaningful way, and ensuring a multi-stakeholder approach.<sup>3678</sup> Among the commitments expressed, the main points were the sharing of best practices between social and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3669</sup> Donors pledge US \$344 million in response to Rohingya refugee crisis, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (Geneva). 23 October 2017. Access Date: 1 March 2018.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3671</sup> European Agenda on Migration: Consolidating progress made, European Commission (Brussels) 15 November 2017. Access Date: 17 January 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-17-4484 en.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3672</sup> European Agenda on Migration: Consolidating progress made, European Commission (Brussels) 15 November 2017. Access Date: 17 January 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-17-4484\_en.htm. <sup>3673</sup> European Agenda on Migration: Consolidating progress made, European Commission (Brussels) 15 November

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3674</sup> European Agenda on Migration: Consolidating progress made, European Commission (Brussels) 15 November 2017. Access Date: 17 January 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-17-4484 en.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3675</sup> European Agenda on Migration: Consolidating progress made, European Commission (Brussels) 15 November 2017. Access Date: 17 January 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-17-4484 en.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3676</sup> Integration of refugees: Commission joins forces with social and economic partners, European Commission (Brussels) 20 December 2017. Access Date: 17 January 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-17-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3677</sup> Integration of refugees: Commission joins forces with social and economic partners, European Commission (Brussels) 20 December 2017. Access Date: 17 January 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release IP-17-5352 en.htm.

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economic parties, organization of mentoring programmes to ease access into the workplace, ensuring and making identification, assessment, and documentation of skills to be done.<sup>3679</sup>

On 15 January 2018, the EU adopted a EUR5 million programme that will provide humanitarian support to Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh. The programme will keep adding to previous identification and registration efforts undertaken on behalf of the Bangladeshi government. Its main goal is to facilitate the creation of required conditions for the voluntary, safe, and dignified return of the Rohingya who have fled Myanmar. The same safe to the required conditions for the voluntary of the Rohingya who have fled Myanmar. The same safe to the required conditions for the voluntary of the Rohingya who have fled Myanmar.

On 30 January 2018, the European Commission announced EUR37.5 million in humanitarian aid for Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Iran. <sup>3682</sup> The sum is broken down as follows: EUR27 million will be distributed to provide emergency trauma care, food, water, sanitation, shelter, and protection for those affected by conflict in Afghanistan; EUR5.5 million will be distributed to vulnerable Afghans in Pakistan to quell issues such as food security and malnutrition; a further EUR5 million will be distributed to Afghan refugees in Iran in order to provide food assistance, shelter, health, protection, and education. <sup>3683</sup>

On 16 February 2018, the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights organized a peer learning activity event which stressed the importance of migrant integration through inclusive education, gender equality lessons, and adequate training for teachers.<sup>3684</sup>

On 26 February 2018, the European Commission adopted three new programmes worth more than EUR150 million total to protect migrants and provide them with adequate reintegration options in Libya, Ethiopia, and along the Central Mediterranean Route. Through these programmes, the EU was delivering on commitments previously made as part of a joint UN, African Union (AU), and EU Task Force established on 29 November 2017 to save and protect lives of migrants and refugees along the routes and within Libya, while also speeding up the voluntary returns to countries of origin, as well as the resettlement of those who required international protection. The new programme aimed at carefully evacuating 3,800 refugees from Libya, as well as providing voluntary humanitarian

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3683</sup> Humanitarian aid: €37.5 million for Afghanistan, Pakistan and Iran. European Commission (Brussels) 30 January 2018. Access Date: 1 March 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-18-384\_en.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3684</sup> Intercultural dialogue on integrating migrants and refugees. European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (Vienna) 16 February 2018. Access Date: 1 March 2018. http://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2018/intercultural-dialogue-integrating-migrants-and-refugees.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3685</sup> Delivering on commitments: new programmes to protect migrants and support return and reintegration in Africa worth €150 million adopted, European Commission (Brussels) 26 February 2018. Access Date: 1 March 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-18-1143\_en.htm.

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return to 15,000 migrants still present in Libya. These migrants would be helped to return to their country of origin, where they will also be supported financially to reintegrate. Lastly, the programme will aid 14,000 individuals in need of international protection, mainly from Niger, Chad, Cameroon, and Burkina Faso. 3689

On 28 February 2018, the European Commission and the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs have announced a humanitarian aid package worth EUR24 million for the Ukraine.<sup>3690</sup> The money will be spent on food, healthcare, and education for children.<sup>3691</sup>

On 28 February 2018, the EU reaffirmed its commitment towards Palestinian refugees. The commitment occurred in light of the financial crisis experienced by the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA). 3692 As such, the EU hoped that a reaffirmation of its support would result in an increased donor base and comprehensive reform of the UNRWA. 3693 On 26 April 2018, the EU donated EUR2.5 million to support Venezuelan migrants in Brazil. The money will be distributed through various agencies such as the UNHCR and the United Nations Population Fund, in collaboration with the Office of the Chief of Staff of the Brazilian Presidency. 3694

On 7 May 2018, the European Parliament issued a statement indicating that the children of refugees should not be detained in custodial facilities while their parents' applications are being reviewed, given that children are more vulnerable to trafficking, violence, and exploitation.<sup>3695</sup> Parliament

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3687</sup> Delivering on commitments: new programmes to protect migrants and support return and reintegration in Africa worth €150 million adopted, European Commission (Brussels). 26 February 2018. Access Date: 1 March 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-18-1143\_en.htm.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3688</sup> Delivering on commitments: new programmes to protect migrants and support return and reintegration in Africa worth €150 million adopted, European Commission (Brussels) 26 February 2018. Access Date: 1 March 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-18-1143\_en.htm.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3690</sup> EU announces €24 million to address the humanitarian situation in eastern Ukraine, European Commission (Brussels) 28 February 2018. Access Date: 1 March 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-18-1282\_en.htm. <sup>3691</sup> EU announces €24 million to address the humanitarian situation in eastern Ukraine, European Commission

<sup>(</sup>Brussels) 28 February 2018. Access Date: 1 March 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-18-1282\_en.htm. <sup>3692</sup> European Union and United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East reaffirm strong commitment to serving Palestine refugees, EUreporter (Brussels) 28 February 2018. Access Date: 1 March 2018. https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/02/28/european-union-and-united-nations-relief-and-works-agency-for-palestine-refugees-in-the-near-east-unrwa-reaffirm-strong-commitment-to-serving-palestine-refugees/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3693</sup> European Union and United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East reaffirm strong commitment to serving Palestine refugees, EUroporter (Brussels) 28 February 2018. Access Date: 1 March 2018. https://www.europorter.co/frontpage/2018/02/28/european-union-and-united-nations-relief-and-works-agency-for-palestine-refugees-in-the-near-east-unrwa-reaffirm-strong-commitment-to-serving-palestine-refugees/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3694</sup>EU donates €2.5 million to Venezuelan immigrants, BrazilGovNews (Sao Paulo) 26 April 2018. Access Date: 4 October 2018. http://www.brazilgovnews.gov.br/news/2018/04/eu-donates-20ac2-5-million-to-venezuelan-immigrants.

Children must not be detained for immigration purposes, Parliament says, EUreporter (Brussels). 7 May 2018. Access Date: 30 June 2018. https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/05/07/children-must-not-be-detained-for-immigration-purposes-parliament-says/.

stated, in a non-legislative resolution, that the EU Commission should act against EU member states if systemic immigration detention of children and their families occurs.<sup>3696</sup>

On 7 June 2018, the EU pledged EUR35 million in humanitarian and development assistance for Venezuelans. The funding will support Venezuelans both in Venezuela and those who fled to nearby countries. 3697 EUR18.1 million will support development and food and water concerns in the country, as well as supporting migrants in host communities in neighbouring countries. 3698

On 29 June 2018, EU leaders met at a summit on migration in Brussels, where they agreed to intensify efforts to close the Central Mediterranean route to migrant smugglers, while also continuing to stand by Italy and other frontline Member States that receive high influxes of refugees.<sup>3699</sup> The Council agreed to financial assistance to countries on both sides of the Mediterranean, as well as a new regional approach to disembarkation for refuges saved in Search and Rescue operations.<sup>3700</sup> Similarly, EU leaders agreed to provide further socio-economic assistance to African states in order to tackle the root causes of migration.<sup>3701</sup>

On 5 July 2018, Chair of the European People's Party (EPP) Manfred Weber praised the European Council for implementing the three main demands of the EPP regarding migration, which were to give 10,000 additional officers to Frontex; to establish disembarkation platforms in Africa; and to better cooperate with African countries.<sup>3702</sup>

On 16 July 2018, European Parliament President Antonia Tajani declared that, through financial support and a strong partnership, the European Union helped Niger to reduce migratory flows to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3696</sup> Children must not be detained for immigration purposes, Parliament says, EUreporter (Brussels). 7 May 2018. Access Date: 30 June 2018. https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/05/07/children-must-not-be-detained-for-immigration-purposes-parliament-says/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3697</sup>Venezuela crisis: EU announces over €35 million in humanitarian and development assistance, Commission Europeenne (Brussels) 7 June 2018. Access Date: 3 October 2018. http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\_IP-18-4007\_en.htm.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3700</sup> Details of EU agreement on migration, Reuters (Berlin) 29 June 2018. Access Date: 21 August 2018. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-eu-summit-conclusions-migration/details-of-eu-agreement-on-migration-idUSKBN1JPODS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3701</sup> Details of EU agreement on migration, Reuters (Berlin) 29 June 2018. Access Date: 21 August 2018. https://www.reuters.com/article/us-eu-summit-conclusions-migration/details-of-eu-agreement-on-migration-idUSKBN1JPODS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3702</sup> Europe needs to control its external borders and stop illegal migration, EUreporter (Brussels) 5 July 2018. Access Date: 20 August 2018. https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/07/05/europe-needs-to-control-its-external-borders-and-stop-illegal-migration/.

Libya by 95 per cent.<sup>3703</sup> During this visit to Niger, President Tajani reaffirmed the EU's commitment to aiding Niger through economic, entrepreneurial and technological development.<sup>3704</sup>

On 23 July 2018, the EU and New Zealand completed the first round of trade negotiations for a free trade agreement.<sup>3705</sup>

On 26 July 2018, President Juncker accompanied by Commissioner Malmström met with the US President Donald Trump and had an open dialogue on issues of interest for EU-US relations, notably trade. The visit led to a Joint Statement where both sides pledged to work together towards zero tariffs, zero non-tariff barriers and zero subsidies on non-auto industrial goods. Both sides agreed that no new tariffs would be imposed, while working towards the elimination of all existing industrial tariffs and that cooperation in a number of sectors would be further developed.<sup>3706</sup>

On 27 July 2018, the EU partnered with UNICEF and the UN Commissioner for Human Rights in the Republic of Kazakhstan to launch a joint program to protect children affected by migration.<sup>3707</sup> The EU pledged EUR10.5 million and will have a direct impact on children who have been forcibly displaced or have been left behind by parents fleeing conflict.<sup>3708</sup>

On 3 August 2018, the Commission awarded Greece an additional EUR37.5 million in assistance under the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF), meant to improve reception conditions for refugees arriving in Greece.<sup>3709</sup> Specifically, the money will be spent on health care, interpretation, food, and an investment in improving infrastructure.<sup>3710</sup> The money was split between the Greek government and the International Organisation for Migration (IOM)'s operations in Greece.<sup>3711</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3703</sup> Tajani visit to Niger – 95% decrease in migration flows to Libya and Europe thanks to EU partnerships and funds, EUreporter (Brussels) 16 July 2018. Access Date: 20 August 2018.

https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/07/16/tajani-visit-to-niger-95-decrease-in-migration-flows-to-libya-and-europe-thanks-to-eu-partnership-and-funds/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3704</sup> Tajani visit to Niger – 95% decrease in migration flows to Libya and Europe thanks to EU partnerships and funds, EUreporter (Brussels) 16 July 2018. Access Date: 20 August 2018.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3705</sup> http://trade.ec.europa.eu/doclib/press/index.cfm?id=1895&title=EU-and-New-Zealand-complete-first-round-of-trade-negotiations

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3706</sup> http://trade.ec.europa.eu/doclib/press/index.cfm?id=1898&title=Joint-EU-U.S.-Statement-following-President-Junckers-visit-to-the-White-House

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3707</sup> New programme aiming at protecting children affected by migration launched in Kazakhstan, EUreporter (Brussels) 27 July 2018. Access Date: 20 August 2018. https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/07/27/new-programme-aiming-at-protecting-children-affected-by-migration-launched-in-kazakhstan/.

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Migration – Commission supports improving reception conditions in Greece with extra €37.5 million, EUreporter (Brussels) 3 August 2018. Access Date: 26 August 2018. https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/08/03/migration-commission-supports-improving-reception-conditions-in-greece-with-extra-e37-5-million/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3711</sup> Migration – Commission supports improving reception conditions in Greece with extra €37.5 million, EUreporter (Brussels) 3 August 2018. Access Date: 26 August 2018. https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/08/03/migration-commission-supports-improving-reception-conditions-in-greece-with-extra-e37-5-million/.

On 6 August 2018, the European Commission awarded a total of EUR30 million in emergency assistance to Spain to help it deal with the migrant influx.<sup>3712</sup> The money comes under the auspice of the Internal Security Fund and it will be used mostly for the deployment of extra staff from the Guardia Civil to deal with the southern borders of Spain.<sup>3713</sup>

On 13 August 2018, the European Commission adopted a special measure to offer Bosnia and Herzegovina EUR6 million to support current migration flows.<sup>3714</sup> More specifically, the money will be used to identify, register and refer third-country nationals, provide accommodation and basic services to refugees, strengthen border control and surveillance, and combat migrant trafficking.<sup>3715</sup>

On 24 August 2018, the European Commission pledged EUR9 million in emergency assistance to Italy in order to help the Italian government deal with the current surge in incoming refugees. <sup>3716</sup>The sum will be used to improve healthcare services and will assist 42,000 people in the regions of Emilia-Romagna, Lazio, Liguria, Toscana, and Sicilia, with particular emphasis on women and children. <sup>3717</sup>

On 31 August 2018, the European Commission decided not to extend trade defence measures against solar panels from China. 3718

On 25 September 2018, EU Trade Commissioner Cecilia Malmström met with Hiroshige Sekō, Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry of Japan, and with US Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer as a continuation of the trilateral talks launched in 2017. The Ministers reaffirmed their cooperation in international fora, such as the G7, G20 and the OECD and in sectoral initiatives such

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3712</sup> Migration – Commission increases emergency assistance for Spain to €30 million, EUreporter (Brussels) 6 August 2018. Access Date: 26 August 2018. https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/08/06/migration-commission-increases-emergency-assistance-for-spain-to-e30-million/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3713</sup> Migration – Commission increases emergency assistance for Spain to €30 million, EUreporter (Brussels) 6 August 2018. Access Date: 26 August 2018. https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/08/06/migration-commission-increases-emergency-assistance-for-spain-to-e30-million/.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3715</sup> EU supports Bosnia and Herzegovina in managing migration flows with additional €6 million, EUreporter (Brussels) 13 August 2018. Access Date: 26 August 2018. https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/08/13/eu-supports-bosniaandherzegovina-in-managing-migration-flows-with-additional-e6-million/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3716</sup> Migration – Commission awards €9 million to Italy to support healthcare for asylum seekers and refugees, EUreporter (Brussels) 24 August 2018. Access Date: 26 August 2018.

https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2018/08/24/migration-commission-awards-e9-million-to-italy-to-support-health-care-for-asylumseekers-and-refugees/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3717</sup> Migration – Commission awards €9 million to Italy to support healthcare for asylum seekers and refugees, EUreporter (Brussels) 24 August 2018. Access Date: 26 August 2018.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3718</sup>Comission decides not to extend trade defence measures on solar panels from China, European Commission (Brussels) 31 August 2018. Access Date: 29 November 2018.

http://trade.ec.europa.eu/doclib/press/index.cfm?id=1904&title=Commission-decides-not-to-extend-trade-defence-measures-on-solar-panels-from-China

as the Global Forum on Steel Excess Capacity and Governments/Authorities Meeting on Semiconductors, to address market-distorting measures.<sup>3719</sup>

As of 24 September 2018, the EU contributed USD444 million to the UNHCR in 2018.<sup>3720</sup> The EU contributed USD436 million in 2017.<sup>3721</sup>

On 17 October 2018, the European Commission presented the EU-Vietnam trade and investment agreements for signature and conclusion. The trade agreement will eliminate virtually all tariffs on goods traded between the two sides. The agreement also includes a strong, legally binding commitment to sustainable development, including the respect of human rights, labour rights, environmental protection and the fight against climate change, with an explicit reference to the Paris Agreement.<sup>3722</sup>

On 19 October 2018, EU Commissioner for Trade Cecilia Malmström and Vietnam's Minister for Industry and Trade, Tran Tuan Anh, reconfirmed their commitment to trade and investment agreements in the margins of the Asia-Europe Meeting Summit. The agreements will open up new opportunities for EU and Vietnamese operators to export and invest, and will do that with a special regard to the rights of workers and environment protection.<sup>3723</sup>

On 19 October 2018, the EU and Singapore signed three agreements - the EU-Singapore Trade Agreement, the EU-Singapore Investment Protection Agreement and the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation. The trade agreement with Singapore will remove nearly all remaining tariffs on certain EU products, simplify customs procedures and set high standards and rules. It opens up the market for services like telecommunications, environmental services and engineering. It also includes a comprehensive chapter on trade and sustainable development, setting the highest standards of labour, safety, environmental and consumer protection, as well as strengthening joint actions on sustainable development and climate change.<sup>3724</sup>

On 22 October 2018, EU and Indonesia completed the sixth round of negotiations for a trade agreement. The EU presented new text proposals on transparency and general regulatory practices for discussion.<sup>3725</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3719</sup>EU, Japan and US met at Ministerial level, European Commission (Brussels) 25 September 2018. Access Date: 29 November 2018.

http://trade.ec.europa.eu/doclib/press/index.cfm?id=1916&title=EU-Japan-and-US-met-at-Ministerial-level Donor Profiles, UNHCR (Geneva) 2018. Access Date: 9 October 2018. http://reporting.unhcr.org/donor-profiles.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3723</sup>The EU and Vietnam reconfirm commitment to trade and investment agreements, European Commission (Brussels) 19 October 2018. Access Date: 29 November 2018.

http://trade.ec.europa.eu/doclib/press/index.cfm?id=1928&title=The-EU-and-Vietnam-reconfirm-commitment-to-trade-and-investment-agreements

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3724</sup>EU and Singapore forge closer economic and political ties, European Commission (Brussels) 19 October 2018. Access Date: 29 November 2018. http://trade.ec.europa.eu/doclib/press/index.cfm?id=1926&title=EU-and-Singapore-forge-closer-economic-and-political-ties

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3725</sup> EU and Indonesia complete sixth round of negotiations for a trade agreements, European Commission (Brussels) 22 October 2018. Access Date: 29 November 2018. http://trade.ec.europa.eu/doclib/press/index.cfm?id=1930&title=EU-and-Indonesia-complete-sixth-round-of-negotiations-for-a-trade-agreement

On 26 October 2018, the EU along with 13 countries participating in the Ottawa WTO Ministerial endorsed the rules based multilateral trading system and reiterated their commitment to safeguarding and strengthening the WTO. They agreed to work together to strengthen all three functions of the WTO.<sup>3726</sup>

The European Union has taken action to address the distinct needs of migrants both within Europe and abroad through a number of programmes and initiatives, including the EU-Turkey refugee deal and multiple partnership programs with international organizations such as the IOM and UNHCR.

Thus, the European Union receives a score of +1.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3726</sup>Alliance emerges on WTO Reform at Ottawa Ministeria, European Commission (Brussels) 26 October 2018. Access Date: 29 November 2018. http://trade.ec.europa.eu/doclib/press/index.cfm?id=1932&title=Alliance-emerges-on-WTO-Reform-at-Ottawa-Ministerial