International Standard for Archival Description

1.1 Reference code UNHCR 67/1

1.2 Title Records of the Sub- Office in Tindouf

1.3 Dates of creation 1997-20031.4 Level Series

1.5 Extent (quantity) circa 5 m and one CD

2.2 Administrative/Biographical history In August 1980 UNHCR signed an agreement with the

Algerian government to provide assistance to the refugees from Western Sahara who found asylum in Tindouf, Algeria. In June

1996 SO Tindouf was established.

2.3 Archival history In 2003 UNHCR Archives Geneva received 7 boxes from UNHCR

BO in Tindouf.

3.1 Scope and content Between 1997 and 2001 UNHCR registered approximately 130,000

refugees from Western Sahara. The records consist of registration forms of the Saharaoui refugees prepared for a population census by the UNHCR Branch Office in Tindouf. This registration was part

of the United Nations framework for the Western Sahara Referendum as well as the eventual repatriation of Saharaoui

refugees to Western Sahara.

3.3 Accruals Accruals are expected.

4.1 Conditions governing access Records are subject to the General Restriction Policy of the

UNHCR Archives

4.2 Conditions governing reproduction Records are subject to the Copyright Policy of UNHCR

7.2 Rules or conventions7.3 Date of description7 February 2006