## 2008 Annual Tripartite Consultations on Resettlement Geneva: 30 June – 2 July 2008

Please note: the Conference will be held at the Geneva International Conference Centre
17 Rue de Varembe

Agenda Item	Format	Timing		
DAY 1 (30 June 2008) – Results, Updates and Planning				
Registration – Welcome Coffee will be provided*		8:00 – 9:00		
1. Opening by the Chair and NGO focal point	Plenary	9:00 – 9:20		
2. UNHCR Welcoming Remarks - Erika Feller, Assistant High Commissioner for Protection	Plenary	9:20 – 9:35		
3. Statement by Guest Speaker: Rose Mapendo	Plenary	9:35 – 10:10		
Rose Mapendo, a former Congolese refugee and woman at risk, was resettled to the United States in July 2000 with nine of her children following the execution of her husband and after sixteen months in a Congolese prison camp. Despite having no formal education, she taught herself to read and write, became a US citizen in 2006 and helped to start Mapendo International, a humanitarian agency that assist other vulnerable refugees in Africa.				
Break – Coffee will be provided*		10:10 - 10:30		
4. Results of 2007-2008 and Updates	Plenary	10:30 – 11:15		
♣ Vincent Cochetel, Deputy Director Division of International Protection Services will provide a broad overview of results and operational priorities. Updates will be given on new / emerging resettlement States, twinning activities, emergency transit facilities and UNHCR steps to implement the Women and Girls at Risk and Children at Risk Executive Committee Conclusions. A question and answer portion will be included.				
5. Minutes of the 2007 ATCR and Status Report on the Implementation of the Recommendations	Plenary	11:15 – 12:15		
<ul> <li>Presentations by States/NGO/UNHCR, Questions and Answers, Discussion.</li> </ul>				
Lunch (not provided)		12:15 – 14:00		
6. Question & Answer with the Regional Bureau – Two sessions of five <b>concurrent</b> breakout sessions:	Breakout			
Asia, Middle East and North Africa, Americas, Africa and Europe	Session 1	14:00 – 14:45		
Written updates for each region will be included in the Global Needs Document, which will be provided in advance of the meeting. UNHCR bureau directors and staff will be at the sessions.	Session 2	15:00 – 15:45		
7. Results, Updates and Planning	Plenary	16:00 – 17:30		
Indications Conference: Projected Global Resettlement Needs and Priorities for 2009. States to briefly update on planning for 2008-09.				

DAY 2 (1 July 2008) – Thematic Issues		
<ul> <li>8. A time for solutions: Protracted Refugee Situations</li> <li>Update from UNHCR on High Commissioner's priority on Protracted Situations by Assistant High Commissioner Erika Feller.</li> <li>This session will be followed by two sets of concurrent breakout sessions.</li> </ul>	Plenary	9:00 – 10:00
<ul> <li>9. Breakouts:</li> <li>A. New and Emerging Resettlement Countries: Getting Started, Best Practices for Partnership with NGOs, Twinning on Integration</li> <li>B. Enhancing the Resettlement of Refugees with Medical Needs</li> <li>C. Women and Girls at Risk and Children at Risk – Steps to Implement the ExCom Conclusions (e.g. identification, expedited processing and departures)</li> <li>D. The Impact of the Strategic Use of Resettlement in Resolving Protracted Refugee Situation: Maximizing the Opportunities, Minimizing the Impacts</li> </ul>	Breakout	10:15 – 12:00
Breakout groups identify gaps, needs and next steps		12:00 – 12:30
Lunch (not provided)		12:30 – 15:00
<ul> <li>10. Breakouts:</li> <li>E. Developing a <i>Toolkit</i> for New / Emerging Resettlement States</li> <li>F. Integration: Effective Programs and Initiatives in Employment for Resettled Refugees and Increasing Local/Regional Participation</li> <li>G. Challenges and Opportunities in Family Reunification</li> <li>H. Resettlement in the Iraqi Context</li> </ul>	Breakout	15:00 – 16:45
Breakout groups identify gaps, needs and next steps		16:45 – 17:15
ATCR Reception at UNHCR HQ, hosted by Canada		19:00 – 21:00

DAY 3 (2 July 2008) – Looking forward		
11. Follow up on 2007 Action Items that have not been actioned	Plenary	9:00 – 10:00
12. Next steps from breakout groups	Plenary	10:00 – 12:00
Review of outcomes / follow-ups from the 2008 ATC  Focus will be on developing a list of realistic and measurable outcomes.		
Planning for 2009		

<sup>\*</sup>Please note that, unless indicated, lunch and coffee breaks will not be catered. There is a coffee shop and a cafeteria at the Conference Centre. Information on other restaurants in the area can be found on the Conference webpage.