



Iraq statement to the Sixth Formal Consultation on GCR

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Mr. Co-Chairs,

- Iraq would like to reflect its applaud to the UNHCR's efforts to prepare the final draft on GCR.
- In spite of that refugees are national concern, but in the same time it is collective responsibility of international community throw burden and responsibility sharing.
- Refugees would like to have better situations, and we know there is no magic world, but there are a lot of things we should do to make things better for people who are suffering so much and to secure the rights for refugees, find almost stable and more generous founding system in this world.
- Countries of origin, transit and destination are required to cooperate around a series of common principles and approaches which include focusing on the link between humanitarian, development, human rights, migration and refugees. In this point, I would like to mention that the humanitarian action must be free of any conditions.
- Solutions can only be realized when we are working together. No country or community should have to deal with refugee situations on their own. We know well, that more support is needed, not only for people who have been displaced, but also for the communities that host them as well as countries of origin. Therefore my delegation believes that it is necessary to work together to improve the situation in countries of origin by investing in them, creating jobs, and providing studies and research to create the appropriate ground for voluntary repatriation.





- As UNHCR mentioned previously that GCR as a moral obligation, in this regard my delegation believes that the most important thing that working should continue for establishing a clear mechanism for burdens and responsibilities sharing, in addition further clarifications are needed on the next steps.
- Iraq call UNHCR , humanitarian and development actors to work hand in hand with national authorities to achieve the objectives of GCR, with full respect for the sovereignty of the states, in addition adopt a solid program that extends a helping hand to all those who are most in need.
- Finally, we are now in Critical and crucial moment Stage of that compact, so my delegation urge the international community to move forward and don't squander the opportunity of being able to invest in refugees. We spent a lot of time talking, discussing, and exchanging views and there are children, babies, women and elderly people waiting for our help. We should think about them humanely and let us move from words to deeds.

thank you.

