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Agenda 4. Consideration of reports of the Standing Committee

(a) International Protection

Thank you the Assistant High Commissioner for the update.

Mr. Chair,

- In the face of the current challenging circumstances, the situation remains extremely serious for those who are forcibly displaced, particularly vulnerable refugees. Rather than becoming divided, the international community must work more closely together, guided by the principle of international **burden- and responsibility-sharing** as laid out in **the Global Compact on Refugees**.
- We commend UNHCR for its continued efforts to provide protection for persons of concern, even as its operations face significant constraints. We also express our deep respect for all personnel and stakeholders working on the ground under difficult conditions.

Mr. Chair, under this agenda item, as noted in the conference paper, international protection is a temporary measure. Therefore, it is essential that we work toward finding sustainable solutions.

- In this regard, we commend the efforts being made by UNHCR to advance assistance through both protection and solutions in a mutually reinforcing manner.
- Whether the eventual solution takes the form of voluntary return, third-country resettlement, or local inclusion, what is needed is support that enables people to envision a future where they can live with dignity and hope.
- For this reason, from the perspective of **human security**, support must go beyond humanitarian assistance alone. We must continue to promote the **Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus approach**.
- Furthermore, discussions on the **Humanitarian Reset** should also highlight the importance of transitioning toward durable solutions that ensure a better future for those relying on humanitarian assistance.