

Ministerial Pledging Conference on Somali Refugees:

Conditions for voluntary return

21 October 2015

Management Centre Europe (MCE) Conference Centre, Rue de l'Aqueduc 118,
1050 Brussels, Belgium

PROPOSED AGENDA	
09:00 – 10:00	Registration (tea and coffee provided)
10:00 – 10:30	Opening remarks 1. United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Mr. António Guterres 2. European Union High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice President of the Commission, H.E. Ms. Federica Mogherini 3. Prime Minister, Federal Republic of Somalia, H.E. Mr. Omar Abdirashid Ali Sharmarke 4. Cabinet Secretary for Interior and Coordination of National Government, Republic of Kenya, H.E. Rt. Maj. General Joseph Ole Nkaissery
10:30 – 10:45	Film Talk by Ilwad Elman, returnee
10:45 – 11:30	1. Sustainable solutions for Somali refugees With introductory statement by Minister of Foreign Affairs, Somalia, H.E. Mr. Abdusalam Hadliyeh Omer Thematic considerations (Moderated by Mr. Michele Cervone d'Urso, EU Special Envoy to Somalia, Head of EU Delegation to Somalia)
11:30 – 11:45	Break
11:45 – 12:30	2. Implementation of the Tripartite Agreement on Voluntary Repatriation of Somali Refugees from Kenya Thematic considerations (Moderated by Stefano-Antonio Dejak, Head of the EU Delegation to Kenya) 3. Regional dynamics and challenges: including refugee flows from the sub-region; resilience, self-reliance, and forced displacement; and impact of Yemen events. Thematic considerations (Moderated by Ann Encontre, Deputy Director (East and Horn of Africa, Regional Bureau for Africa, UNHCR) With introduction by the Secretary-General's Special Representative for Somalia, Mr. Nicholas Kay

	<p>Statements by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Charge d'Affaires of the Republic of Djibouti to the European Union, H.E Ambassador Omar Abdi Said - Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, H.E. Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus - Commissioner for Refugees, Office of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Uganda, Mr. David Apollo Kazungu - H.E. Shaher Mohamed, Chargé d'Affaires, Embassy of Yemen to the European Union - Director Operations DG ECHO, Mr. Jean-Louis De Brouwer, on behalf of European Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management, Christos Stylianidis
12:30 – 13:45	Lunch

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13:45 – 15:00	<p>Plenary session: Pledges and Statements Opening statement by European Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development, Mr. Neven Mimica</p>
15:00 – 15:30	Break
15:30 – 16:45	Plenary session: Pledges and Statements
16:45 – 17:15	<p>Conclusions and closing remarks:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prime Minister, Federal Republic of Somalia, H.E. Mr. Omar Abdirashid Ali Sharmarke 2. Cabinet Secretary for Interior and Coordination of National Government, Republic of Kenya, H.E. Rt. Maj. General Joseph Ole Nkaisery 3. European Union Special Representative for the Horn of Africa, Mr. Alexander Rondos 4. United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Mr. António Guterres
17:15 – 18:15	Reception (at MCE Centre)

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