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spoken previously that more clarity around compact would be useful. We had also impact, but the current format of the

AI welcomes the rights-based approach referenced in both the draft political declaration and global compact on refugees, and particularly the commitment to an equitable sharing of responsibility for hosting and supporting the world's refugees, and recognition that it cannot be achieved without taking into account the capacities and resources of Member States (Zero Draft, Sec. 6). AI also welcomes recognition of the need for flexible responses to large movements of refugees, through the use of resettlement, alternative pathways, and increased support to Member States that host refugee communities.

We welcome comments supporting the full participation and leadership of women and girls. We also strongly support the target for resettlement of at least 10% of the total refugee population annually, as identified by NCR.

Nevertheless, the documents also raise three concerns:

First, neither the zero draft nor the draft global compact include a concrete method for determining how equitable responsibility sharing will be apportioned and achieved among Member States. Criteria such as a nation's population size; national wealth; as well as pre-existing migrant and refugee populations, among others, could each and collectively be considered in determining the equitable sharing of responsibility.

Second, AI is concerned that neither document includes a method for determining when a Member State has exceeded its capacity to receive, support, and protect refugees, nor a concrete mechanism through which the situation could be quickly remedied, for example, through the relocation and/or resettlement of refugees to another territory, or

serious human rights violations if returned to their home countries, whether they are recognized as refugees or not. For children, women, and men fleeing violence by non-state actors, including organized criminal groups, this principle may be their only safeguard against SGBV, torture, and murder and must not be narrowed or weakened.

Amnesty International will submit specific observations to the co-facilitators in writing. Thank you again for providing us with this opportunity to share our perspective.