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1. The scale and nature of refugee displacement today requires us to act in a comprehensive and predictable manner in large-scale refugee movements. Through a comprehensive refugee response, we are better able to protect and assist refugees and to support host States and communities involved.
2. Initiated and coordinated by UNHCR, and involving other relevant UN agencies, comprehensive refugee responses should involve a multi-stakeholder approach, including States, the United Nations, other international organizations, national and local authorities, civil society partners (including faith based organizations and academia), the private sector, media and refugees.
3. While each large movement of refugees will differ in nature, the elements noted below, grounded in international law and practice, and adapted to the specific context, provide a framework for a comprehensive refugee response.
4. We envisage a comprehensive refugee response framework which would be applied to a specific large movement of refugees, including in protracted situations, and which would normally contain the following elements:

Reception and Admission

5. At the outset of an influx of refugees, or a mixed flow of refugees and migrants, receiving states, in cooperation as appropriate with UNHCR and other partners and with the support of non-receiving States as required, would:
 - ensure to the greatest extent possible, that measures are in place to identify refugees.

- meet essential needs of refugees, _____ including providing access to adequate water, sanitation, food, nutrition, shelter, health care, _____ and psycho-social support;
- register and document, on an individual basis and as quickly as possible upon their arrival, those seeking protection as refugees. Assistance to achieve this may be needed, such as biometric technology and other technical support where necessary;
- use the registration process to identify specific assistance needs and protection arrangements, where appropriate, including (but not exclusively) for refugees with special protection concerns, for unaccompanied children and children separated from their families, for child-headed and single-parent households, _____ as well as for refugees with disabilities and older persons;
- provide other necessary documents relating to civil status (e.g., birth, marriage, divorce, death) at the earliest opportunity;
- put in place measures, with appropriate legal safeguards, and, while upholding refugees' human rights, ensure the security of refugees and also respond to legitimate security concerns on the part of the host country,
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Support for immediate and ongoing needs

6. States, multilateral donors and private-sector partners would, in coordination with receiving states:

- mobilise financial _____ resources to cover the humanitarian needs identified within the comprehensive refugee response framework;
- ensure that these resources are provided in a predictable, consistent and flexible manner, including through wider partnerships involving State,

9. We recognize that millions of refugees around the world at present have no access to timely and durable solutions, the securing of which is one of the principal goals of international protection. The success of the search for solutions depends in large measure on resolute and sustained international cooperation and support.
10. Particular actions that we believe should be taken in pursuit of durable solutions include the following:

15. Member States will work towards the provision of resettlement places and other legal pathways on a scale which would enable the annual resettlement needs identified by UNHCR to be met.
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The Way Forward

16. We commit to implementing this Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework in the case of new large-scale refugee movements as well as existing large-scale protracted refugee situations.
17. We invite UNHCR to convene consultations with Member States and all relevant stakeholders over the coming two years with a view to evaluating the detailed practical application of the Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework and assessing the scope for refinement and further development. Such consultations would benefit from practical experience of the framework in a range of specific situations. The objective would be to ease pressures on the host countries involved, to enhance refugee self-reliance, to expand access to third-country solutions and to support conditions in countries of origin for returns in safety and dignity.
18. We commit to adopt in 2018 a Global Compact on Refugees, based on the Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework and on the consultations that will have taken place, _____
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- _____. We invite the UN High Commissioner for Refugees to include in his annual report to the General Assembly in 2018 a proposed Global Compact on Refugees, for consideration by Member States in conjunction with the annual resolution on the High Commissioner's Office.