

populations whether occurring in the Horn of Africa, the Sahara region, the central part of the continent, and elsewhere are known. These situations cannot be left unresolved. Fair solutions must be found to permit these areas to live in harmony and to allow the populations to re-establish themselves. The onus of finding solutions can rest primarily only on African shoulders; the international community must give its full support to the implementation of the agreed African solutions.

This conference is only the first step. It must be seized as an opportunity for nations to agree to work seriously toward resolving the refugee crisis that afflicts Africa and other regions of the world. We are here to say that we care, and to pledge ourselves and our resources to an alleviation of the refugee crisis in Africa.