



World Humanitarian Summit Commitments

United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office (PBSO)

2019

Individual commitments

<div><div>1B</div><div>Act early</div></div> <div>Individual Commitments</div>			
Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID
The United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office will support and incentivize conflict analysis and early action to prevent violent conflicts and sustain peace.	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts	2697002
The United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office will improve capacities to prevent and resolve violent conflicts peacefully and sustain peace, including by improving on the tools to identify multi-dimensional and interconnected risks and drivers of conflict and on the capacities to translate conflict analysis into conflict-sensitive programming at all levels.	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts	2697003
The United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office will contribute to a UN system-wide effort to identify, collect, learn from and bring to international attention concrete cases where UN prevention has worked, as the basis for a renewed and urgent international push to re-prioritize preventive action.	Advocacy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts	2697004

<div><div>1C</div><div>Remain engaged and invest in stability</div></div> <div>Individual Commitments</div>			
Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID

The United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office fully supports the five Core Commitments related to Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts and commits to contribute to the United Nations’ commitment to the prevention of violent conflicts, peacebuilding and sustaining peace, including through support to the Peacebuilding Commission and the management of the Peacebuilding Fund, as highlighted in General Assembly resolution A/RES/70/262 and Security Council resolution S/RES/2282 (2016).	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts	2697001	
The United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office will support the organization of a High-Level Meeting of the General Assembly on strengthening the UN's work in sustaining peace within the next two years.	Policy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts	2697005	
Joint Commitments				
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Commits to support the realization of The Peace Promise, which is a set of five commitments to develop more effective synergies among peace, humanitarian and development actions in complex humanitarian situations in order to end human suffering by addressing the drivers of conflict.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ International Alert ✓ CDA Collaborative Learning Projects ✓ Peace Direct ✓ Conciliation Resources ✓ Human Appeal ✓ American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) ✓ World Vision International ✓ United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) ✓ CARE International ✗ United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) ✗ UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict (SRSG CAAC) ✗ Mercy Corps ✗ International Labour Organization (ILO) ✗ Catholic Relief Services ✗ United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) ✗ United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN WOMEN) ✗ United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) 	Policy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts	2697007
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Other Partners that are yet to register: [Alliance for Peacebuilding](#), [Cord](#), [Interpeace](#), [Saferworld](#), [Search for Common Ground](#), [UN Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth](#), [UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict](#), [UNESCO](#), [United Nations Department of Political Affairs](#), [World Bank](#), [Initiatives of Change International](#), [Women for Women](#)

1D Develop solutions with and for people**Individual Commitments**

Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID
The United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office will put local actors, including women and young people, at the fore and to support and strengthen national and local systems and capacities for conflict prevention and resolution.	Partnership	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts	2697006

5C Invest in stability**Individual Commitments**

Commitment Description	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility	Commitment ID
The United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office commits to provide through the Peacebuilding Fund fast, flexible and risk-tolerant financing for the prevention of violent conflicts, peacebuilding, sustaining peace and resilience development, dependent on financial contributions of donors to the Peacebuilding Fund.	Financial	Invest in Humanity	2697008

Core Commitments

Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

POLITICAL LEADERSHIP TO PREVENT AND END CONFLICTS

- Commit to act early upon potential conflict situations based on early warning findings and shared conflict analysis, in accordance with international law.
- Commit to improve prevention and peaceful resolution capacities at the national, regional and international level improving the ability to work on multiple crises simultaneously.
- Commit to sustain political leadership and engagement through all stages of a crisis to prevent the emergence or relapse into conflict.
- Commit to address root causes of conflict and work to reduce fragility by investing in the development of inclusive, peaceful societies.
- Commit to make successful conflict prevention visible by capturing, consolidating and sharing good practices and lessons learnt.

Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

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- Commit to promote and enhance respect for international humanitarian law, international human rights law, and refugee law, where applicable.
- Commit to promote and enhance the protection of civilians and civilian objects, especially in the conduct of hostilities, for instance by working to prevent civilian harm resulting from the use of wide-area explosive weapons in populated areas, and by sparing civilian infrastructure from military use in the conduct of military operations.
- Commit to ensure all populations in need receive rapid and unimpeded humanitarian assistance.
- Commit to promote and enhance efforts to respect and protect medical personnel, transports and facilities, as well as humanitarian relief personnel and assets against attacks, threats or other violent acts.
- Commit to speak out and systematically condemn serious violations of international humanitarian law and serious violations and abuses of international human rights law and to take concrete steps to ensure accountability of perpetrators when these acts amount to crimes under international law.

WOMEN AND GIRLS: CATALYZING ACTION TO ACHIEVE GENDER EQUALITY

- Implement a coordinated global approach to prevent and respond to gender-based violence in crisis contexts, including through the Call to Action on Protection from Gender-based Violence in Emergencies.
- Fully comply with humanitarian policies, frameworks and legally binding documents related to gender equality, women's empowerment, and women's rights.

Leave No One Behind

LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND - A COMMITMENT TO ADDRESS FORCED DISPLACEMENT

- ◻ Commit to a new approach to addressing forced displacement that not only meets immediate humanitarian needs but reduces vulnerability and improves the resilience, self-reliance and protection of refugees and IDPs. Commit to implementing this new approach through coherent international, regional and national efforts that recognize both the humanitarian and development challenges of displacement. Commit to take the necessary political, policy, legal and financial steps required to address these challenges for the specific context.
- ◻ Commit to promote and support safe, dignified and durable solutions for internally displaced persons and refugees. Commit to do so in a coherent and measurable manner through international, regional and national programs and by taking the necessary policy, legal and financial steps required for the specific contexts and in order to work towards a target of 50 percent reduction in internal displacement by 2030.
- ◻ Acknowledge the global public good provided by countries and communities which are hosting large numbers of refugees. Commit to providing communities with large numbers of displaced population or receiving large numbers of returnees with the necessary political, policy and financial, support to address the humanitarian and socio-economic impact. To this end, commit to strengthen multilateral financing instruments. Commit to foster host communities' self-reliance and resilience, as part of the comprehensive and integrated approach outlined in core commitment 1.
- ◻ Commit to collectively work towards a Global Compact on responsibility-sharing for refugees to safeguard the rights of refugees, while also effectively and predictably supporting States affected by such movements.
- ◻ Commit to actively work to uphold the institution of asylum and the principle of non-refoulement. Commit to support further accession to and strengthened implementation of national, regional and international laws and policy frameworks that ensure and improve the protection of refugees and IDPs, such as the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and the 1967 Protocol or the AU Convention for the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons in Africa (Kampala convention) or the Guiding Principles on internal displacement.

WOMEN AND GIRLS: CATALYZING ACTION TO ACHIEVE GENDER EQUALITY

- ◻ Empower Women and Girls as change agents and leaders, including by increasing support for local women's groups to participate meaningfully in humanitarian action.
- ◻ Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights as agreed in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the Beijing Platform for Action and the Outcome documents of their review conferences for all women and adolescent girls in crisis settings.
- ◻ Ensure that humanitarian programming is gender responsive.

Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need

CHANGING PEOPLE'S LIVES - FROM DELIVERING AID TO ENDING NEED

- ◻ Commit to a new way of working that meets people's immediate humanitarian needs, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years through the achievement of collective outcomes. To achieve this, commit to the following: a) Anticipate, Do Not Wait: to invest in risk analysis and to incentivize early action in order to minimize the impact and frequency of known risks and hazards on people. b) Reinforce, Do Not Replace: to support and invest in local, national and regional leadership, capacity strengthening and response systems, avoiding duplicative international mechanisms wherever possible. c) Preserve and retain emergency capacity: to deliver predictable and flexible urgent and life-saving assistance and protection in accordance with humanitarian principles. d) Transcend Humanitarian-Development Divides: work together, toward collective outcomes that ensure humanitarian needs are met, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years and based on the comparative advantage of a diverse range of actors. The primacy of humanitarian principles will continue to underpin humanitarian action.

- Commit to enable coherent financing that avoids fragmentation by supporting collective outcomes over multiple years, supporting those with demonstrated comparative advantage to deliver in context.

NATURAL DISASTERS AND CLIMATE CHANGE: MANAGING RISKS & CRISES DIFFERENTLY

- Commit to accelerate the reduction of disaster and climate-related risks through the coherent implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, as well as other relevant strategies and programs of action, including the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway.
- Commit to reinforce national and local leadership and capacities in managing disaster and climate-related risks through strengthened preparedness and predictable response and recovery arrangements.
- Commit to improve the understanding, anticipation and preparedness for disaster and climate-related risks by investing in data, analysis and early warning, and developing evidence-based decision-making processes that result in early action.
- Commit to increase investment in building community resilience as a critical first line of response, with the full and effective participation of women.
- Commit to ensure regional and global humanitarian assistance for natural disasters complements national and local efforts.

HUMANITARIAN FINANCING - INVESTING IN HUMANITY

- Commit to increase substantially and diversify global support and share of resources for humanitarian assistance aimed to address the differentiated needs of populations affected by humanitarian crises in fragile situations and complex emergencies, including increasing cash-based programming in situations where relevant.
- Commit to empower national and local humanitarian action by increasing the share of financing accessible to local and national humanitarian actors and supporting the enhancement of their national delivery systems, capacities and preparedness planning.

Invest in Humanity

HUMANITARIAN FINANCING - INVESTING IN HUMANITY

- Commit to promote and increase predictable, multi-year, unearmarked, collaborative and flexible humanitarian funding toward greater efficiency, effectiveness, transparency and accountability of humanitarian action for affected people.
- Commit to invest in risk management, preparedness and crisis prevention capacity to build the resilience of vulnerable and affected people.
- Commit to broaden and adapt the global instruments and approaches to meet urgent needs, reduce risk and vulnerability and increase resilience, without adverse impact on humanitarian principles and overall action (as also proposed in Round Table on "Changing Lives").