



Executive Committee of the UNHCR

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Deeply concerned about the rising number of those having to leave their homes due to climate conditions, we the peoples, who respect the aspiration of every person to get good living conditions notwithstanding current or possible environmental challenges, claim an ultimate goal of ours to protect those suffering from climate change,

1. *Calls upon* the international community to recognize the term “climate refugant” and implement in the system of international law as follows “any person or a group of people who not by their choice but by current, or upcoming, or possible climate conditions in where they live are forced to leave their home and to resettle in another place considering within the one country”;
2. *Urges* the host countries of climate refugants to legally support the temporary settlement of climate refugees in the host country until the living conditions in their homelands are safe enough;
3. *Encourages* the host countries to provide the climate refugants with good living conditions in the host country until they are to go back home, or in case it appears to be no longer possible to support their economic inclusion in the host country in order they to be possible to provide good living conditions for themselves;
4. *Strongly recommends* the host countries of climate refugants to introduce a special educational programme about refugees and climate change;
5. *Calls upon* the UN member states and corresponding organs to cooperate with climate change analytical centers and meteorological centers throughout the world in order to predict climate conditions which may force people to resettle;
6. *Encourages* warning people about climate conditions which may force them to resettle and facilitating their resettlement by providing help and guidance;
7. *Welcomes* warning the host countries about the upcoming flow of climate refugants and assisting them throughout the preparation process;
8. *Proposes* to create a special mandate on climate refugants within the United Nations;

9. *Calls upon* the World Bank as well as the International Monetary Fund to provide more international funding to the countries damaged by ecological disasters and to the hosting countries of the climate refugants;
10. *Urges* the UN member states to define a legitimate guidance containing specific conditions under which the countries would be officially unable to host refugees.