

Thursday, 9 June, 2016

**PRESS BRIEFING BY THE United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees**

**Monday, 13 June 2016**

**3:30 – 4:00 PM**

**Hotel Intercontinental, Mara South**

UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, invites you to a press briefing by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Mr. Filippo Grandi on Monday 13 June 2016 from 3:30 – 4:00 PM at Hotel Intercontinental, Mara South Room.

The High Commissioner, Mr. Filippo Grandi is visiting Kenya and Somalia from 9-13 June. He will be accompanied by the Director of Africa Bureau, Mr. Valentin Tapsoba. He will meet with H.E President Uhuru Kenyatta and attend the Tripartite Agreement (Kenya, Somalia, UNHCR) meeting.

He will hold discussions with the donor community on resource mobilization to improve the living conditions in Somalia and support to the refugee hosting communities in Kenya. He will also be meeting UN officials and humanitarian workers.

Mr. Grandi will visit Dadaab and Kakuma refugee camps to assess the situation in the camps and meet with refugee representatives. He will be briefed on the process of voluntary repatriation of Somali refugees. The High Commissioner will travel to Somalia to meet with the President of Somalia and President of South West State. He will discuss durable solutions for Somalia refugees and efforts that should be made to ensure that Somalia is ready for sustained return of refugees.

Kenya remains a very important country for UNHCR as it has been hosting refugees for over 20 years. The High Commissioner appreciates the fact that Tripartite Agreement has been signed with the Government of Kenya and the Somalia Government which provides a legal framework that will guide the voluntary repatriation of Somali refugees.

For planning purposes, we would be grateful if you could kindly confirm your attendance at the press conference to [needham@unhcr.org](mailto:needham@unhcr.org) by Friday 10 June.

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