Glossary

ACC Administrative Committee on Coordination

AEMS Advanced Emergency Management Seminar

AGEP Afghan Gender Equity Project

AHC Assistant High Commissioner

Amicus curiae In US legal practice, a "friend of the court"

APC Asia-Pacific Intergovernmental Consultations on Regional Approaches to Refugees and Displaced Persons

ARC Action for the Rights of the Child

BPRM Bureau for Population, Refugees and Migration (US State Department)

BWI Bosnian Women's Initiative

CAP Consolidated Appeal Process

CASWANAME Regional Bureau for Central Asia, South-West Asia, North Africa and the Middle East

CCA Common Country Assessment

Cessation clauses Provisions in the 1951 Convention that indicate when refugee status comes to an end.

CIS Commonwealth of Independent States

CMS Career Management System

CPA Comprehensive Plan of Action (for Indo-Chinese Refugees)

CRPC Commission for Real Property Claims of Displaced Persons and Refugees

DAFI Albert Einstein Academic Scholarship Programme for Refugees

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DMC Disaster Management Center

DOS Division of Operational Support

DPKO Department of Peace Keeping Operations

DRC Democratic Republic of the Congo

ECHA Executive Committee for Humanitarian Affairs

ECHO European Community Humanitarian Office

ECOMOG Economic Community of West African States Monitoring Group

ECPS Executive Committee for Peace and Security

EESS Engineering and Environmental Services Section

EFCT Emergency Field Coordination Training

EMERCOM Ministry of the Russian Federation for Civil Defence, Emergencies and Elimination of Consequences of Natural Disasters

EMPT Emergency Management Preparedness Training

EMTP Emergency Management Training Programme

EPAU Evaluation and Policy Analysis Unit

EPRS Emergency Preparedness and Response Section

ERISS Electronic Resettlement Information and Submission System

EU European Union

EVIs Extremely Vulnerable Individuals

ExCom Executive Committee of High Commissioner's Programme

FAO Food and Agriculture Organisation

FAOP Framework Agreement for Operational Partnership

FDP Formerly Deported Peoples: People who were deported from their historic homeland during the Soviet period. Some of the persons belonging to this category may be stateless. (Applies to situations in CIS countries. The definition does not carry a universal or binding character.)

FSS Field Safety Section

GIF General Initiative Fund for Refugee Women

GIS Geographic Information System

GP General Programmes

HEP Humanitarian Evacuation Programme

HIV/AIDS Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome

HQ Headquarters

HTP Humanitarian Transfer Programme

IAPSO Inter-Agency Procurement Services

IARLJ International Association of Refugee Law Judges

IASC Inter-Agency Standing Committee

ICRC International Committee of the Red Cross

IDP Internally displaced person: A person forced or obliged to flee from their homes but who had not crossed an internationally recognised

IFRC International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

ILO International Labour Organization

IMG International Management Group

INS Immigration and Naturalization Service (US)

INTERFET International Force in East Timor

INTERPOL International Police Organisation

INTRAC International NGO Training and Research Centre

IOM International Organization for Migration

IRP Involuntary Relocating Persons: Persons who were forced to relocate to the country of their citizenship as a result of circumstances endangering their lives, such as armed conflict, internal disorder, interethnic conflict or systematic violations of human rights and who are in need of assistance to resettle in their countries of citizenship. (Applies to situations in CIS countries. The definition does not carry a universal or binding character).

ISP Integrated Systems Project

IT Information Technology

JMC Joint Monitoring Committee

JPO Junior Professional Officer

KFOR Kosovo Force

KIMS Knowledge and Information Management System

KWI Kosovo Women's Initiative

LCI Liberian Children's Initiative

Mandate refugees Persons who are recognised as refugees by UNHCR acting under the authority of its Statute and relevant UN General Assembly resolution. Mandate status is especially significant in States that are not parties to the 1951 Convention or its 1967 Protocol.

MARS Mandatory Absence for the Relief of Stress

MERP Middle East Resettlement Project

MINUGUA United Nations Human Rights Verification Mission in Guatemala

MINURSO United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

MOSS Minimum Operations Safety Standards

MOU Memorandum of Understanding

NATO North Atlantic Treaty Organization

NGO Non-governmental organisation

OAU Organisation of African Unity

OCHA Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

ODIHR OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

ODPR Office for Displaced Persons and Refugees (Croatia)

OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

OHR Office of the High Representative (Bosnia and Herzegovina)

OIC Organization of the Islamic Conference

OIF Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie

OMS Operations Management System

OSCE Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe

PARinAC Partnership in Action

PIMS Protection Information Management System

PKK Kurdistan Workers Party

POP People-Oriented Planning

PPMS Protection and Programme Management System

Prima facie A practice by which all persons forming part of a large-scale influx are regarded as refugees (i.e. prima face refugees)

QIPs Quick Impact Projects

Refoulement The removal of a person to a territory where she/he would be at risk of being persecuted, or of being moved to another territory where she/he would face persecution.

RRTF Return and Reconstruction Task Force

RSC Regional Service Centre

RSD Refugee Status Determination

RWI Rwandan Women's Initiative

SAMM Staff Administration and Management Manual

Sine die Indefinitely

SFOR Stabilization Force

SMC Senior Management Committee

SOLAR Special Operational Living Allowance

SP Special Programme

STAR Supply Travel on Rotation

STS Supply and Transportation Section

TF Trust Fund

UAM Unaccompanied Minor

UNAMSIL United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone

UNCSD United Nations Common Supply Database

UNDAF United Nations Development Assistance Framework

UNDG United Nations Development Group

UNDP United Nations Development Programme

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme

UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation

UNESCO PEER UNESCO Programme of Education for Emergencies and Reconstruction

UNF United Nations (Turner) Foundation

UNFIP United Nations Fund for International Partnerships

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund

UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund

UNLO United Nations Liaison Office

UNMIBH United Nations Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina

UNMIK United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo

UNOA United Nations Office in Angola

UNOMIG United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia

UNOPS United Nations Office for Project Services

UNSECOORD Office of the United Nations Security Coordinator

UNTAET United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor

UNVs United Nations Volunteers

VARI Voluntary Absence for the Relief of Isolation

WEM/ERT Workshop on Emergency Management for UNHCR's Emergency Response Team

WEM/HQ Workshop on Emergency Management at Headquarters

WFP World Food Programme

WHO World Health Organisation