

ELDERLY REFUGEES

The provisions reproduced below call on States and/or UNHCR to ensure that the needs of elderly refugees are addressed. One provision urges all UN agencies to pay special attention to elderly refugees, and several provisions refer to the International Year of Older Persons in 1999. One provision welcomes the development of UNHCR guidelines on elderly refugees.

Resolution / Paragraph Number & Date	Full Text
GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS	
44/67, OP12 8 Dec 1989	12. <i>Urges</i> all the relevant agencies of the United Nations system dealing with refugees to pay special attention to the plight of all elderly refugees;
53/125, OP19 9 Dec 1998	19. <i>Notes</i> that 1999 has been declared the International Year of Older Persons, and calls upon the Office of the High Commissioner to make renewed efforts to ensure that the rights, needs and dignity of elderly refugees are fully respected and addressed through appropriate programme activities;
53/126, OP24 9 Dec 1998	24. <i>Calls upon</i> the Office of the High Commissioner to make renewed efforts to ensure that the rights, needs and dignity of elderly refugees are fully respected and addressed through appropriate programme activities;
54/146, OP20 17 Dec 1999	20. <i>Recognizes</i> the special role of elderly refugees within the refugee family, and bearing in mind that 1999 has been declared the International Year of Older Persons, calls upon States and the Office of the High Commissioner to make renewed efforts to ensure that the rights, needs and dignity of elderly refugees are fully respected and addressed through appropriate programme activities;
55/74, OP23 4 Dec 2000	23. <i>Underlines</i> the particular role of elderly refugees within the refugee family, welcomes the development by the Office of the High Commissioner of guidelines to address their special needs, and calls upon States and the Office of the High Commissioner to make renewed efforts to ensure that the rights, needs and dignity of elderly and disabled refugees are fully respected and that programmes are designed bearing in mind their special vulnerabilities;
55/77, OP32 4 Dec 2000 56/135, OP28 19 Dec 2001 57/183, PP32 18 Dec 2002	32. <i>Calls upon</i> States and the Office of the High Commissioner to make renewed efforts to ensure that the rights, needs and dignity of elderly refugees are fully respected and addressed through appropriate programme activities;

