



UNHCR

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
Haut Commissariat des Nations Unies pour les réfugiés

Practical Information for Participants

Inter-Agency Standing Committee Working Group
8 and 9 July 2003

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Geneva

As part of its regular schedule, the 53rd Inter-Agency Standing Committee Working Group (IASC-WG) will take place in Geneva. The meeting will be hosted by the **United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees** from **Tuesday 8 July to Wednesday 9 July 2003** and will be held in Room MBT 04a. The opening meeting is scheduled for 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 8 July 2003, however coffee/tea will be provided from 09:30 onwards outside the conference room.

Kindly be reminded that the UNHCR Building is smoke free.

Location of United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees:

UNHCR headquarters is located on the western side of Geneva, not far from the United Nations Palais des Nations. UNHCR Headquarters is a short bus ride from the Cornavin railway station - Bus No. 5 can be caught from downtown Geneva (Cornavin - near the Notre Dame Cathedral). Buses F or V or Z may also be caught from behind Cornavin on rue Montbrillant and alight at bus stop 'Montbrillant'.

UNHCR's street address and telephone number (switchboard) are:

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
94 rue Montbrillant
1211 Geneva, Switzerland
tel: +41-22 739 8111 (in town dial 022-739 8111)

Security:

Participants will need to show their UN Laissez Passer, the Palais des Nations Identity Card or a copy of an email addressed to IASC WG members regarding this WG meeting to the security guards at UNHCR's main entrance.

Transport:

Transport from Cointrin Airport:

Taxis can be found at the rank outside the arrival hall, alternatively call number 022-33 141 33. Expected fare for the distance from the airport to UNHCR is approximately SFr 20 –25.

Train: the railway station is located in the airport basement. All trains lead directly to Geneva Cornavin station.

Buses: There are no direct buses from the Airport to UNHCR Headquarters.
Bus No. 10 from the Airport is a direct line to downtown Geneva:

Car: Parking space is not available at UNHCR Headquarters. Those wishing to park their car may do so at Parking Palais des Nations. The use of public transport is encouraged.

Transport from Cornavin Railway Station:

Taxis can be found at the railway station.

Bus No 5, alight at Varembe

Accommodation:

Participants are requested to make their own arrangements

Meals:

Lunch will be at the expense of the participants. UNHCR's cafeteria is located in the main building.

Coffee and tea will be provided, courtesy of UNHCR, during the meeting breaks.

A working dinner at the expense of the participants will be organised for the evening of Tuesday 8 July at Lemon Café, 4 rue du Vidollet (22 733 6024). Please confirm your participation to Tina Divecha (Divecha@unhcr.ch) and copy Kim Mahoney (Mahoney@un.org).

For further information:

For further information regarding the practical arrangements for the 53rd IASC-WG meeting, please contact Tina Divecha, UNHCR, Secretariat and Inter-Organisation Service, telephone: 41-22-739 7850, fax: 41-22-739 7349, e-mail: Divecha@unhcr.ch