Statement

COMMITMENTS POST THE WORLD HUMANITARIAN SUMMIT

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1. The Inter-Agency Standing Committee decided to implement their commitments made at the World Humanitarian Summit, in close collaboration with partners at local, regional and international levels, and to put their commitments into action immediately.

2. We will employ new ways of working, in particular in protracted crises, where we will strengthen alignment across the humanitarian-development nexus and promote a stronger role for local responders. Our commitment to humanitarian principles remains steadfast. And we commit to build resilience and reduce affected people’s vulnerability through preparedness and prevention activities.

3. Initial focus will be placed on the response to some of the most difficult situations, including contexts of prolonged conflict and protracted need, global health threats, and places where the impacts of climate change are generating acute humanitarian need.

4. We redouble our call for all to safeguard and enhance respect for international humanitarian law, international human rights law and refugee law. We will promote and strengthen the protection of civilians, as well as healthcare personnel and humanitarian aid workers and volunteers, particularly in the context of armed conflict.