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Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme Sixty-sixth session
Geneva, 5 - 9 October 2015
Item 4 of the provisional agenda
High-level segment on the
Afghan refugee situation

Agenda for the high-level segment

Tuesday, 6 October

15:00

Opening of the high-level segment (open to the press)

Introduction by the Chairperson

Film

Remarks by the High Commissioner for Refugees, Mr. António Guterres

Video message by H.E. President Mohammad Ashraf Ghani of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

Represented by Mr. Sayed Hussain Alemi Balkhi Minister for Refugees and Repatriation of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

15:50-16:30

Statements by the Islamic Republics Iran and Pakistan

Mr. Abdolreza Rahmani Fazli Minister of Interior of the Islamic Republic of Iran

Lt. Gen. (Rtd) Abdul Qadir Baloch Minister for States and Frontier Regions of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

16:30-17:30

Statements by partners and other guests

Ms. Aqeela Asifi Nansen Refugee Award Laureate

The Honourable Anne C. Richard Assistant Secretary of State for Population, Refugees and Migration of the United States of America Ms. Annett Günther

Deputy Director General for Humanitarian Assistance, Crisis Prevention and Peacebuilding in the German Federal Foreign Office

Mr. Mark Bowden

Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan (UNAMA), and United Nations Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator for Afghanistan

Mr. Andreas Kamm Secretary General Danish Refugee Council

Dr. Sima Samar Chairperson Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission

17:30 - 18:00

Interventions from the floor by Member States and Observers (closed to the press)

Wednesday, 7 October

10:00 - 13:00

Continuation of interventions from the floor

13:15 – 15:00 side event (room XII)

Launch of the Afghan portfolio of projects for the voluntary repatriation and reintegration of Afghan refugees

15:00 - 16:00

Continuation of interventions from the floor

Closing of the high-level segment (open to the press)

Statement by the Executive Committee

Summing up by the High Commissioner