

**DECISION ON THE SITUATION OF REFUGEES,  
RETURNEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS**  
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**The Executive Council:**

1. **EXPRESSES CONCERN** on the persistence and the magnitude of the phenomenon of refugees and displaced persons in Africa;
2. **TAKES NOTE** with satisfaction of the positive developments registered in some conflict situations on the continent, which have raised hopes of the return of refugees and displaced persons;
3. **COMMENDS** the host countries for the generosity they continue to show despite the limited resources at their disposal;
4. **CALLS UPON** the international community to increase assistance to the States and populations concerned;
5. **REQUESTS** the Commission to formulate a policy that will facilitate access of refugees and displaced persons to education, including at the post-primary level;
6. **NOTES** the progress made in the preparation of the Ministerial Meeting on Refugees and Displaced Persons scheduled for June 2006 in Burkina Faso; and **INVITES** Member States to actively participate towards its success.

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