

## France UNHRC Position Paper

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Before we begin, we want you to imagine that you have been forcibly removed from your home and the country that you have embraced through the years. You have nowhere to stay and no choice but to seek assistance from other countries.

France would want to provide you with information on how it assists these unfortunate individuals;

In France, seeking asylum is a legal right protected by the French constitution. Meanwhile, the status of refugees are guaranteed by relevant regulations which France signed on July 25, 1951. According to the French Office for the Protection of Refugees and Stateless Persons, there were 455.295 refugees under different types of international protection in France as of December 31, 2020. Following the framework agreement between UNHCR and France in 2008, France pledged to review as many dossier submissions as possible each year within UNHCR's mandate. The objective for France is to accept and support the settlement of vulnerable refugees who are unable to return to their home country and integrate in their first country of asylum. In these past few years, France welcomed many refugees of different nationalities to be supportive of resettlement agreements.

New Presidential promises were made at the end of 2017 to welcome 10.000 refugees over a two-year period, with 7.000 coming from the Middle East and 3.000 from other nations.

Unfortunately we can't comment on country border crossings because each country has its own laws. We'd like to work with NGOs to establish webpages about refugees and their profiles, which include information such as where they plan to stay and their background. We'd like to be clear about why we want information about their background because we plan on locals welcoming refugees to their homes through this website. We wouldn't want our people to feel unsafe under the fragile topic of welcoming refugees to their countries and home.

We hope that along with the help of you fellow delegates, we will be able to hear the voices of these unfortunate people.