JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

FROM THE HIGH-LEVEL FORUM ON DURABLE SOLUTIONS FOR DISPLACED PERSONS FROM KOSOVO

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On the occasion of the UNHCR and OSCE-supported High-level Forum on Durable Solutions for Displaced Persons from Kosovo¹ the participating institutions, led by Minister Dalibor Jevtić (Pristina), Director Marko Đurić (Belgrade), Director Željko Šofranac (Podgorica) and State Secretary Enver Husejin (Skopje), confirmed strong support for entering the implementation phase of the inter-institutional initiative on durable solutions for displaced persons from Kosovo.

The purpose of this meeting of the High-level Forum was to review progress since the Forum's second meeting in Budva in September 2015, during which participants issued a second *Joint Communiqué* formally endorsing three documents guiding the operational work of the participating institutions in their effort to support durable solutions for displaced persons from Kosovo, namely a *Concept Note on Co-ordination and Planning, Priority Areas and Measures*, and *Scope of Work for the Technical Working Group*.

Having reiterated the principles that guide the process, the participants note the successful work of the members of all five Thematic Technical Working Groups² within this period, through the development and institutional endorsement of Action Point documents, three of which (*Property rights, Security dialogue and reintegration, and Personal documentation*) have been formally endorsed while two (*Data management and Solutions planning*) are in the process of endorsement.

The High-level Forum participants welcome the finalisation of the pending Action Point documents and commit to proceeding to the implementation phase of the Inter-institutional initiative on durable solutions for displaced persons from Kosovo.

Participants express their commitment to fully engage all institutions to implement the adopted action points and to regularly track and report on their implementation with the continued support of the OSCE and the UNHCR.

Noting the importance of the need to use this window of opportunity to find durable solutions for displaced persons from Kosovo, participants commit to evaluate progress made in implementing the Thematic Working Group action points at the next High-level Forum in the end of 2016.

Also, following Belgrade's presentation of the project 'Sunny Valley' aimed at enhancing the returns process of displaced persons from Kosovo, participants took note of it and requested additional information that would enable consideration of this and other projects within the Technical Working Group on Solutions Planning, in accordance with the agreed guiding principles of the process.

¹ All reference to Kosovo should be understood in full compliance with United Nation Council resolution 1244 (1999)

² Property rights, Security dialogue and reintegration, Personal documentation, Data Management and Solutions Planning.

Participants wish to express their gratitude to OSCE and UNHCR for organizing the meetings of this process, and use this opportunity to request the support of the donor community in implementing the endorsed action points.