

## Australian Intervention– 7 July

Noting the request for country statements to not at this stage be a by-line negotiation, Australia would like to lay out some key principles which will guide our proposed text changes which we will submit in writing to the facilitators.

- x We agree on reaffirming existing international legal frameworks and that our response to large movements of refugees and migrants must be based on international human rights law and, as applicable, IHL.
  - o support the reaffirmation of the 1951 Refugee Convention and 1967 Protocol, including that the institution of asylum and principle of non-refoulement apply regardless of a country being a signatory of the 51 Convention and 67 Additional Protocol
  
- x We support building on key commitments made at the World Humanitarian Summit and reflecting strong regional processes such as the State Process
  
- x We welcome focus on implementation of the 2030 Agenda given its aim of addressing the root causes of large movements of refugees and migrants and facilitating orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility
  - o Where possible, use previously agreed language from Paris, Sendai and SDG agreements in discussing related issues
  - o Use agreed language from relevant GA resolutions and the most recent Declaration of the High Level both return and readmission
    - o Reflect need to counter irregular, unsafe and well as the exploitation, abuse and discrimination as a result.
    - o Pursue recognition of the right and responsibility of borders and acknowledge that a strong management system is an enabler of both safe, orderly and regular migration
    - o Discourage dangerous, secondary movements to country of asylum.
    - o Support cooperation between countries of origin and destination, to ensure migrants not meeting criteria are able to return (4 xix).
  
- x In considering climate change as a factor in migration consistent with the Paris Agreement
  - o Proposals to endorse/develop guidelines on treatment of migrants in vulnerable situations - who have refugee status, or other similar initiatives should

