

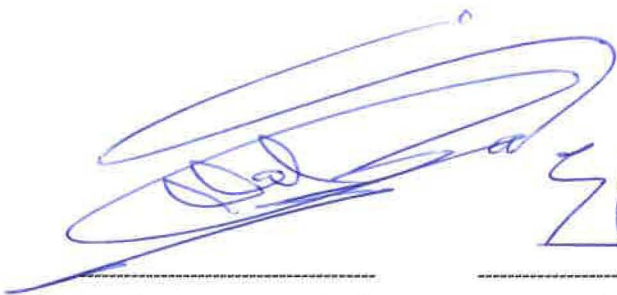


JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ
THIRD MEETING OF THE CHAD, SUDAN AND UNHCR TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
FOR
THE VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION OF CHADIAN REFUGEES FROM THE SUDAN
AND
THE VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION OF SUDANESE REFUGEES FROM CHAD

1. The third technical meeting of the voluntary repatriation of Chadian refugees from the Sudan, and that of Sudanese refugees in Chad was held in N'Djamena from 11-12 April 2017.
2. The delegation from the Sudan was led by Mr. Mohamed Yassin, Deputy Commissioner in the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees (COR) accompanied by other High Ranking Government Officials.
3. The delegation from Chad was led by Mr. Yacoub Sougui Tougoutami, Permanent Secretary of the *Commission Nationale d'Accueil, de Réinsertion des Réfugiés et des Rapatriés* (National Commission for reception, reinsertion of refugees and for repatriants, CNARR), accompanied by High Ranking Officials.
4. The joint Chad/Sudan UNHCR delegation was led by Mr. Edward O'Dwyer, Acting Representative in Chad accompanied by Senior UNHCR Officials from the Sudan and Chad.
5. The purpose of the meeting was to finalize the draft legal framework Agreements that will regulate the voluntary repatriation and reintegration of refugees in their respective countries.
6. The meeting achieved its objective of agreeing on the draft texts of the two Agreements, each to regulate the voluntary repatriation of the two refugee populations.

7. The next step is for the agreed texts to be signed by Representatives from both Governments of Chad and the Sudan, as well as by a Representative from UNHCR.
8. The signing ceremony will be in Khartoum, the Sudan and this has tentatively been set for 15 May, 2017.
9. The meeting was held in a very cordial atmosphere.

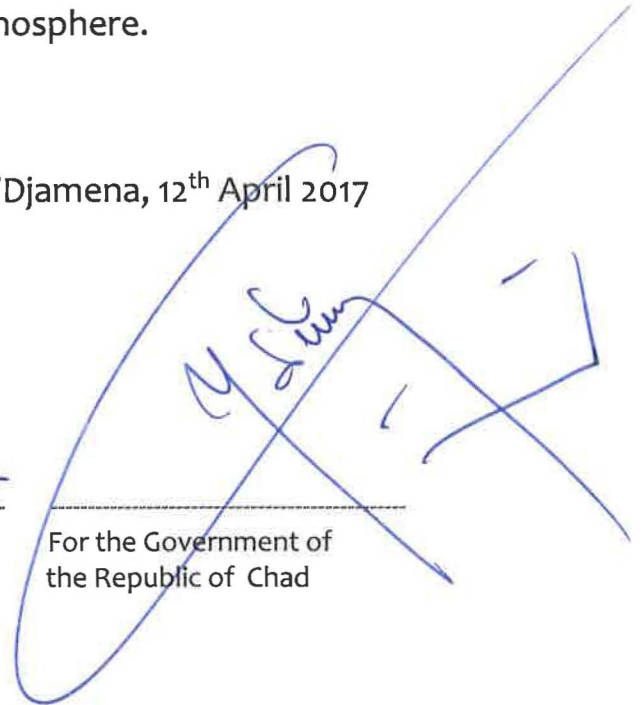
N'Djamena, 12th April 2017



For the Government of
the Republic of the Sudan



For the UNHCR



For the Government of
the Republic of Chad