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### **STATEMENT BY MINISTER OF RELIEF, DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND REFUGEES, 13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2016 FOLLOWING THE VERIFICATION PROCESS IN SOME OF THE REFUGEES SETTLEMENTS**

The Registration of Persons Act 2015; establishes OPM-DOR as the office for Registration of Refugees (Section 1(2) (b)).

OPM-DOR has since conducted verification of refugees in the settlements of Arua, Adjumani, Kiryandongo and Rwamwaja.

This verification exercise comes four (4) years after the last one was conducted in 2012 by UNHCR.

The verification results indicate a drop of 10.7% (103,612 persons) from the total population of 968,997 to 865,385.

#### **Note that:**

- This exercise was conducted before July 2016, before onset of the current South Sudan refugee influx.
- Verification results are partial, not all settlements have undergone the exercise as efforts have been channeled to containing the South Sudan emergency.
- Repatriation/Spontaneous return to South Sudan and Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) over the years when verification was not conducted and resettlement contribute to the reduction in refugee numbers for the said period.
- Resettlements account for over 20,000 refugees over the said period.

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**Vision:** A Public Sector that is responsive and accountable in steering Uganda towards rapid economic growth and development.

- Verification is on going in the remaining settlements of Kyaka II and Kampala anticipated to be concluded in April 2017.
- Having a verified number of refugees country wide will help partners better organize and deploy resources to deserving People of Concern in terms Food, NFIs and land for settlement of refugees.

I do therefore wish to issue these as the official statistics of refugees in Uganda as of 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2016.



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**MINISTER FOR RELIEF, DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND REFUGEES**



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UGANDA REFUGEES & ASYLUM SEEKERS AS AT DECEMBER 5th, 2016



	Adjumani		Kampala		Kiryandongo		Arua		Yumbe		Kyaka II		Kyangwali		Nakivale		Oruchinga		Rwamwanja		Grand Total
DR CONGO	10	35,754	158	329	58,326	37,933	26,442	4	39,716	51,319	4,148	60,870	218,746								
SOUTH SUDAN	186,041	10,014	48,456	1	3,410	72	344,256														
SOMALIA	16,104	2,497	16	13	22,655	1,914	38,779														
RWANDA	7,026	23	6	1,679	11,195	1,908	17,720														
BURUNDI	10,871	99	484	1,351	32,987	1,092	43,322														
ERITREA	275	2,046	136	9	14	93	11,963														
SUDAN	7	1,888	19	4	16	964	3,079														
ETHIOPIA	19	457	19	4	12	32	2,864														
KENYA	19	19	19	4	1	1	224														
PAKISTAN	7	7	7	7	7	7	458														
CENTRAL AFRICAN REP	2	2	2	2	2	2	23														
SYRIA	2	2	2	2	2	2	19														
CHAD	2	2	2	2	2	2	7														
EGYPT	2	2	2	2	2	2	0														
PALESTINE	2	2	2	2	2	2	7														
INDIA	2	2	2	2	2	2	2														
MALI	2	2	2	2	2	2	4														
TANZANIA	2	2	2	2	2	2	4														
ANGOLA	2	2	2	2	2	2	2														
CANADA	2	2	2	2	2	2	2														
IRAN	2	2	2	2	2	2	2														
IRAQ	2	2	2	2	2	2	2														
YEMEN	33	33	33	33	33	33	33														
COMOROS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0														
CONGO BRAZAVILLE	4	4	4	4	4	4	4														
GAMBIA	1	1	1	1	1	1	1														
GUINEA	1	1	1	1	1	1	1														
IRELAND	1	1	1	1	1	1	1														
LIBERIA	1	1	1	1	1	1	1														
MALAWI	1	1	1	1	1	1	4														
NIGERIA	2	2	2	2	2	2	1														
SENEGAL	1	1	1	1	1	1	1														
TURKEY	1	1	1	1	1	1	1														
ZAMBIA	1	1	1	1	1	1	1														
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>186,333</b>	<b>86,784</b>	<b>48,888</b>	<b>59,159</b>	<b>37,933</b>	<b>29,528</b>	<b>43,600</b>	<b>120,415</b>	<b>7,971</b>	<b>60,922</b>	<b>681,533</b>										

Note the following populations in Transit / Reception Centres as at 1/June/16

Adjumani	Nyumanzi Reception Centre	3,109
Rhino Camp	Ocea Reception Centre	
Yumbe/Bindirai	Reception Centre	180,107
Kisoro	Nyakabanda TC	211
Nakivale	Reception Centre	423
<b>Total</b>		<b>183,850</b>

**GRAND TOTAL**

**865,383**