



**AGENDA
FOR HUMANITY**
5 CORE RESPONSIBILITIES
24 TRANSFORMATIONS



Annual Report on World Humanitarian Summit Commitments - Report the Abuse 2016



Stakeholder Information

Organisation Name

Report the Abuse

Organisational Type

NGO - International

City and Country where Headquartered

Geneva, Switzerland

Focal Point Name

Megan Nobert

Region

Europe

Twitter ID

reporttheabuse



2C Speak out on violations

Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to speak out and systematically condemn serious violations of international humanitarian law and serious violations and abuses of international human rights law and to take concrete steps to ensure accountability of perpetrators when these acts amount to crimes under international law.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

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Keywords

- Gender Humanitarian principles

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Individual Commitments

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