



# **Annual Report on World Humanitarian Summit Commitments - New Zealand 2016**



## Stakeholder Information

**Organisation Name**  
New Zealand

**Organisational Type**  
Member State

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## 1A Demonstrate timely, coherent and decisive political leadership

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand, having identified the potential for a relapse into conflict in the Great Lakes region, will use its membership of the Security Council to focus high level attention and mobilise support for efforts to prevent and manage these conflict risks, in close cooperation with partners in the region.	Policy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

At a UNSC meeting on the Great Lakes on 2 November 2016, New Zealand encouraged unified Council support for enhancing the credibility and effectiveness of the national dialogue process and political transition in the DRC, with a view to supporting long-term political reconciliation and regional stability. New Zealand also encouraged increased regional and bilateral attention to efforts to neutralise armed groups in eastern DRC and address the root causes of violence.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand is no longer a member of the Security Council.

## 1B Act early

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
In preparation for the World Prevention Forum, New Zealand is willing to convene a regional forum on conflict prevention to identify and advance elements of successful conflict prevention, which will include participation by the private sector and civil society.	Policy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
New Zealand will advocate for the Secretary-General to develop a comprehensive plan to strengthen conflict prevention at the United Nations based on lessons learnt and recommendations emanating from the Advisory Group of Experts on the 2015 Review of the United Nations Peacebuilding Architecture, the Report of the High-level Independent Panel on Peace Operations, and the Global Study on the implementation of resolution 1325, in time for the World Prevention Forum by 2020.	Policy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
New Zealand will support the UN in convening a World Prevention Forum by 2020 that identifies how Member States, the UN Secretariat, the Security Council and regional organisations can work more effectively together on conflict prevention and resolution.	Policy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
New Zealand will use its membership of the Security Council to advocate for the provision of regular Council briefings to ensure the Council is aware of emerging conflict risks, and encourage the Secretary-General to use his prerogative under Article 99 of the Charter to raise and brief the Security Council proactively on significant emerging issues.	Advocacy	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
New Zealand will use its membership of the Security Council to push for early attention to and engagement on emerging critical risks before they deteriorate into intractable conflicts, promoting the use of tools such as timely visiting missions, interactive dialogues, and the role of the Presidency.	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to act early upon potential conflict situations based on early warning findings and shared conflict analysis, in accordance with international law.	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
Commit to make successful conflict prevention visible by capturing, consolidating and sharing good practices and lessons learnt.	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand:



- led an initiative with the UN Secretariat and five other Security Council (UNSC) members establishing a monthly “Situational Awareness” briefing by the whole UN system to UNSC members on emerging crises. The first was under New Zealand’s Presidency in September 2016; they now occur monthly;
- has encouraged more strategic use of Council discussion under ‘Other matters’, including encouraging the Secretariat to update members in the spirit of Article 99 of the UN Charter;
- strongly advocated timely visiting missions of the Council to situations on its agenda, including small, more nimble configurations of travelers. During 2016, the Council undertook five visiting missions;
- encouraged, as President of the Security Council, the practice of the Presidency more informally updating Council members on relevant developments as they occurred (e.g. on representations made by the Pakistan Permanent to the UNSC President in September 2016).

### **How is your organization assessing progress**

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### **Next step to advance implementation in 2017**

New Zealand is no longer a member of the Security Council. Where there are opportunities, New Zealand will engage about the World Prevention Forum at the UN in 2017, and will continue to advocate for conflict prevention efforts.



## 1C Remain engaged and invest in stability

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand will support peacebuilding efforts and work with fragile and post-conflict societies in the Asia-Pacific, including by providing support, at the request of partner governments, to strengthen security and governance institutions.	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to improve prevention and peaceful resolution capacities at the national, regional and international level improving the ability to work on multiple crises simultaneously.	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
Commit to sustain political leadership and engagement through all stages of a crisis to prevent the emergence or relapse into conflict.	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts
Commit to address root causes of conflict and work to reduce fragility by investing in the development of inclusive, peaceful societies.	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand, Timor-Leste and Singapore will co-chair the ASEAN Regional Forum Workshop on Preventive Diplomacy in a Post-conflict Environment in Dili, Timor-Leste, from 19 to 20 April 2017. The workshop will bring together government practitioners and policymakers to share knowledge and encourage collaboration in preventive diplomacy, focused on practices, skills and tools for use within a post-conflict environment. The workshop aligns with ARF's Work Plan for preventative diplomacy, including in increasing the capacity and capability of ARF participants in preventive diplomacy. New Zealand has invited ARF member countries to take part in this workshop and encourage relevant agencies to attend.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Agenda for Humanity

1D - Develop solutions with and for people



## 1D Develop solutions with and for people

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand recently implemented a National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security and will continue to encourage others to do the same.	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts Leave No One Behind

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand:

- is implementing its National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security, adopted in October 2015, and is continuing to work towards implementation of UNSCR 1325 and related resolutions, and encourages others to do the same;
- is actively working to identify the barriers to, and increase the recruitment, promotion and retention of senior women within the Police and the Defence Force, to ensure women can deploy at all levels of decision making in conflict resolution processes.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

Efforts to implement the National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security are ongoing.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Keywords

Accountability to affected people

Gender

People-centred approach

#### Agenda for Humanity

3D - Empower and protect women and girls



## 2A Respect and protect civilians and civilian objects in the conduct of hostilities

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand will incorporate the Guidelines for Protecting Schools and Universities from Military Use during Armed Conflict into military manuals, doctrine, rules of engagement, operational orders, and other means of dissemination by December 2017.	Operational	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to promote and enhance the protection of civilians and civilian objects, especially in the conduct of hostilities, for instance by working to prevent civilian harm resulting from the use of wide-area explosive weapons in populated areas, and by sparing civilian infrastructure from military use in the conduct of military operations.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

Note next steps.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand Defence Force Commanders Law of Armed Conflict (LOAC) Manual is in the final stages of publication. This manual incorporates the Safe Schools Declaration as well as International Humanitarian Law obligations concerning educational institutions. Rules of Engagement and operational orders will likely include such guidelines, though the extent to which these are included will depend on the nature of the mission being undertaken.





## 2B Ensure full access to and protection of the humanitarian and medical missions

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand commits to use leverage and influence, including through the Security Council, to prevent and end any arbitrary withholding of consent to impartial humanitarian relief.	Advocacy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
New Zealand will continue to enhance its training of its armed forces on the applicable legal framework for the protection of health care as well as ethical duties of health care personnel by 2018.	Training	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
New Zealand will enhance its training of its armed forces in respect of the obligation to allow and facilitate rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian relief by incorporating these obligations into its law of armed conflict training program by 2018.	Training	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
The New Zealand Defence Force will review its military rules of engagement and operational practice to include measures to protect the delivery of humanitarian assistance and health care.	Policy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to ensure all populations in need receive rapid and unimpeded humanitarian assistance.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
Commit to promote and enhance efforts to respect and protect medical personnel, transports and facilities, as well as humanitarian relief personnel and assets against attacks, threats or other violent acts.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

As one of the co-leads on "Syria humanitarian" issues on the UN Security Council, New Zealand played an active and vocal role in trying to ensure that timely humanitarian relief was received and unimpeded, in accordance with Council resolutions. New Zealand was a member of the small group of elected Security Council members that developed the Healthcare in Armed Conflict Security Council resolution (UNSCR 2286), passed in May 2016. UNSC 2286 requires the UN Secretary-General to brief the Security Council on its implementation every 12 months - the first such briefing took place in September 2016. New Zealand armed forces training currently incorporates the applicable legal framework for the protection of healthcare as well as ethical duties of health care personnel.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand Defence Force is undertaking a review of Law of Armed Conflict training to ensure adequate incorporate of IHL obligations concerning protected persons and facilities as well as facilitating rapid and unimpeded passage of humanitarian relief.



New Zealand will continue to engage in the implementation of UNSCR 2286 (Healthcare in Armed Conflict), which mandates an annual briefing on implementation by the UN Secretary-General to the Security Council.



## 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

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand:

- took numerous actions as a Security Council member to condemn violations of IHL, most notably in the context of our leadership role on "Syria humanitarian" issues where we publicly condemned and called for an end to attacks against civilians and medical workers in the conflict;
- advocated strongly for respect for international human rights law, including in the General Assembly and Security Council, for instance in December 2016 on the DPRK (North Korea);
- supported the need for accountability in cases where serious crimes were committed, including in the Syria and South Sudan contexts.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.



## 2D Take concrete steps to improve compliance and accountability

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand will continue to play a leading role in the Pacific Prevention of Domestic Violence Programme, which is building the capacity of Pacific police services to prevent and respond to domestic violence.	Capacity	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
New Zealand commits to offer international humanitarian law and international human rights law training/dissemination sessions for armed forces, particularly in the Pacific.	Training	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
New Zealand commits to promote implementation of the Code of Conduct regarding Security Council action against genocide, crimes against humanity or war crimes.	Advocacy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
New Zealand commits to use leverage and influence to encourage the permanent members of the Security Council to refrain from exercising veto power where a mass atrocity has been ascertained.	Advocacy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
New Zealand will continue to champion and protect the rights of women and girls in all aspects of society, both domestically and through multilateral forums.	Advocacy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity Leave No One Behind

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to promote and enhance respect for international humanitarian law, international human rights law, and refugee law, where applicable.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
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

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand:

- launched Phase 3 of Pacific Prevention of Domestic Violence Programme 2016-2021 in August 2016, with a strong focus on building sustainability of training and mentoring provided to Pacific Police Services in the five core countries to prevent and respond to domestic violence;
- was a strong supporter of initiatives aimed at establishing a practice whereby Security Council members would not vote against resolutions where the most serious atrocities were involved. This included actively encouraging other countries to sign on to the Code of Conduct;
- voiced its long-held opposition to the use of the veto in situations of mass atrocities when such situations arose in the Security Council, and built on this theme following an informal meeting convened during our July 2015 Presidency focused on Council decision-making and the use of the veto.



### **How is your organization assessing progress**

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### **Next step to advance implementation in 2017**

New Zealand is no longer a member of the Security Council.

New Zealand:

- has provided Law of Armed Conflict training for Pacific Island nations previously, and is open to providing IHL and IHRL dissemination training sessions dependent on requests;
- actively engages in UN Third Committee and Human Rights Council processes to protect the rights of women and girls in all aspects of society by encouraging the implementation of practical initiatives and commitments by UN Member States;
- will continue to advocate for the rights of all women and girls and remain committed to speaking out against injustice.

### **Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives**

#### **Keywords**

- Gender

#### **Agenda for Humanity**

- 3D - Empower and protect women and girls



## 2E Uphold the rules: a global campaign to affirm the norms that safeguard humanity

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand commits to continuing to actively consider acceding to the Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance, in accordance with its domestic processes, prior to New Zealand's third Universal Periodic Review.	Policy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity
New Zealand commits to ongoing promotion of universalisation and implementation of the Arms Trade Treaty, especially in the Pacific.	Policy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to promote and enhance respect for international humanitarian law, international human rights law, and refugee law, where applicable.	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand:

- sponsored a Pacific Capacity-Building Workshop for Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) Implementation in Apia, Samoa in September 2016;
- served as Vice President for the ATT conference including outreach to Pacific states during the preparatory process;
- sponsored Pacific representatives to attend ATT conference in Geneva;
- sponsored a project with Control Arms identifying barriers to ratification and implementation in Africa;
- funded a Pacific Control List project which was undertaken by Control Arms;
- made a NZ\$95,000 contribution to ATT Voluntary Trust Fund;
- co-sponsored and voted in support of the ATT resolution at UNGA;
- supported the UNGA Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention resolution;
- supported mine clearance through NZ\$1.5m of funding to UNMAS;
- sponsored African attendees to the 2016 Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM) conference in Geneva;
- condemned use of cluster munitions in our statements at CCM conference and in our UNSC statements.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand:

- plans to undertake outreach to the Pacific regarding the ATT Voluntary Trust Fund;
- plans to support participation by Pacific Island representatives at the 3rd Conference of States Parties to the ATT in 2017;
- stands ready to share expertise in mine clearance through support to the Global Demining Initiative;
- will continue to undertake outreach to states to encourage implementing legislation;
- remains committed to considering whether to ratify the Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance by New Zealand's next UPR;
- has committed NZ\$4.5m to UN Mine Action Service over 2016-18.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives



## Agenda for Humanity

2D - Take concrete steps to improve compliance and accountability



## 3A Reduce and address displacement

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand will continue to support the institution of asylum and the principle of non-refoulement. Under the Immigration Act 2009, New Zealand has incorporated and codified into New Zealand law the 1951 United Nations Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees (Refugee Convention) and the 1967 Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees.	Policy	Leave No One Behind

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to promote and support safe, dignified and durable solutions for internally displaced persons and refugees. Commit to do so in a coherent and measurable manner through international, regional and national programs and by taking the necessary policy, legal and financial steps required for the specific contexts and in order to work towards a target of 50 percent reduction in internal displacement by 2030.	Leave No One Behind
Commit to actively work to uphold the institution of asylum and the principle of non-refoulement. Commit to support further accession to and strengthened implementation of national, regional and international laws and policy frameworks that ensure and improve the protection of refugees and IDPs, such as the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and the 1967 Protocol or the AU Convention for the Protection and Assistance of Internally Displaced Persons in Africa (Kampala convention) or the Guiding Principles on internal displacement.	Leave No One Behind

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

In June 2016, the New Zealand Government agreed to permanently increase New Zealand's Refugee Quota Programme to 1,000 places annually as of 1 July 2018.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand:

- will in 2016/17 and 2017/18 resettle 250 Syrian refugees in each year in addition to our Refugee Quota of 750 places annually;
- will chair the Annual Tripartite Consultations on Resettlement (ATCR) in Geneva in June 2017;
- chaired the Working Group on Resettlement – Integration meeting, hosted in Auckland on 15-17 February 2017. This meeting focused on the development of an integration framework and the use of communications and social media to support refugee resettlement;
- has committed NZ\$18m core contribution to UNHCR for 2015-18.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Keywords





Refugees

### **Specific Initiatives**

Platform on Disaster Displacement



## 3D Empower and protect women and girls

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand commits to working towards the completion of a national sexual and reproductive health plan in 2016.	Operational	Leave No One Behind
New Zealand recently implemented a National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security and will continue to encourage others to do the same.	Operational	Political Leadership to Prevent and End Conflicts Leave No One Behind
New Zealand will continue to champion and protect the rights of women and girls in all aspects of society, both domestically and through multilateral forums.	Advocacy	Uphold the Norms that Safeguard Humanity Leave No One Behind
New Zealand will continue to integrate women's empowerment and gender equality across its development and humanitarian activities.	Operational	Leave No One Behind
New Zealand, through its aid programme, will continue to actively support opportunities for women's training and leadership in preparation and response activities, recognising the important and diverse roles that women play in emergencies.	Capacity	Leave No One Behind

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Empower Women and Girls as change agents and leaders, including by increasing support for local women's groups to participate meaningfully in humanitarian action.	Leave No One Behind
Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights as agreed in accordance with the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the Beijing Platform for Action and the Outcome documents of their review conferences for all women and adolescent girls in crisis settings.	Leave No One Behind
Ensure that humanitarian programming is gender responsive.	Leave No One Behind

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand:

- integrates gender equality and women's empowerment as a cross-cutting issue in international development assistance.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand:



- is a strong supporter of women's and girls' rights, including access to safe and effective sexual and reproductive health services, and remains committed to high quality information, care and services, including in multilateral engagement and overseas development assistance;
- has committed to provide NZ\$7.5m in core contributions to the International Planned Parenthood Federation over 2015-18;
- has committed to provide NZ\$7.5m in core contributions to UN Women over 2015-18;
- has committed to provide NZ\$18m in core contributions to UNFA over 2015-18;
- will continue efforts to implement the National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security.

**Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives**

**Keywords**

Gender

**Agenda for Humanity**

1D - Develop solutions with and for people

2D - Take concrete steps to improve compliance and accountability



## 3G Address other groups or minorities in crisis settings

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand endorses the Charter on Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action.	Policy	Leave No One Behind

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand signed the Charter on Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand will review its Humanitarian Policy and Strategy in 2017, including to strengthen inclusion of persons with disabilities in humanitarian action.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Keywords

Disability

#### Specific Initiatives

Charter on Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action



## 4A Reinforce, do not replace, national and local systems

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand commits to continue to support, domestically and internationally, locally devised strategies and services, including livelihood generation and employment opportunities, to reduce dependency and vulnerability before, during and after disasters.	Financial	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand commits to continuing to reinforce national and local leadership in managing natural disasters and other hazards, including through an approach that is fit for context and scale of disasters, with a focus on the Pacific and Southeast Asia.	Capacity	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand commits to continuing to reinforce national and local leadership in natural disaster preparedness and response in the Pacific and South East Asia, by tailoring responses to the specific context, using national mechanisms as the default coordination arrangements, and ensuring that assistance is targeted at areas of need that cannot be fulfilled by affected governments and communities, and also commits to continuing to promote a similar approach among other responders.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand commits to improved regional cooperation in the Pacific to support national and local leadership of natural disaster response efforts.	Partnership	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand will continue its support for strengthening the core capacities of regional organisations in South East Asia and the Pacific.	Capacity	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand will continue to be a champion for small island developing states, and to draw attention to their specific development needs, including the challenges they may face in building resilience to natural disasters and other hazards.	Advocacy	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
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<p>Commit to a new way of working that meets people's immediate humanitarian needs, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years through the achievement of collective outcomes. To achieve this, commit to the following: a) Anticipate, Do Not Wait: to invest in risk analysis and to incentivize early action in order to minimize the impact and frequency of known risks and hazards on people. b) Reinforce, Do Not Replace: to support and invest in local, national and regional leadership, capacity strengthening and response systems, avoiding duplicative international mechanisms wherever possible. c) Preserve and retain emergency capacity: to deliver predictable and flexible urgent and life-saving assistance and protection in accordance with humanitarian principles. d) Transcend Humanitarian-Development Divides: work together, toward collective outcomes that ensure humanitarian needs are met, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years and based on the comparative advantage of a diverse range of actors. The primacy of humanitarian principles will continue to underpin humanitarian action.</p>	<p>Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need</p>
<p>Commit to reinforce national and local leadership and capacities in managing disaster and climate-related risks through strengthened preparedness and predictable response and recovery arrangements.</p>	<p>Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need</p>
<p>Commit to increase investment in building community resilience as a critical first line of response, with the full and effective participation of women.</p>	<p>Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need</p>
<p>Commit to ensure regional and global humanitarian assistance for natural disasters complements national and local efforts.</p>	<p>Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need</p>
<p>Commit to empower national and local humanitarian action by increasing the share of financing accessible to local and national humanitarian actors and supporting the enhancement of their national delivery systems, capacities and preparedness planning.</p>	<p>Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity</p>

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand:

- continues to support preparedness and reinforce leadership of local actors in humanitarian response, and to build local resilience through its international development programme;
- provided funding to support the Secretariat of the Pacific Community for preparedness and resilience-building work, including to support geoscience activities;
- through the New Zealand Ministry of Civil Defence and Emergency Management, worked to build DRM capability in Samoa, Tonga, Niue, Tokelau and the Cook Islands;
- developed a M&E framework for humanitarian responses in the Pacific Islands in partnership with the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade;
- provided financial support to national disaster management offices to respond to flooding (Fiji) and an earthquake (Solomon Islands);
- supported the establishment of the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance (AHA Centre), including two three-year support packages worth a combined total of NZ\$1,500,000, current to May 2017, focusing on organisational and skills development.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017



New Zealand:

- will review its Humanitarian Policy and Strategy in 2017, including to strengthen localisation;
- will actively participate in the localisation workstream of the Good Humanitarian Donorship initiative;
- will design and implement a further three-year skills development package to deliver training courses in New Zealand for up to 75 AHA Centre Executive (ACE) Programme participants, along with AHA Centre and ASEC staff. The next delegation is planned to arrive in New Zealand September 2017.

**Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives**

**Specific Initiatives**

- Charter for Change

**Agenda for Humanity**

- 4B - Anticipate, do not wait, for crises



## 4B Anticipate, do not wait, for crises

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand commits to continue to engage in ongoing Pacific regional discussions on an integrated approach to climate change and disaster risk management.	Partnership	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand commits to continue to support early warning systems in the Pacific and Southeast Asia to reduce risk and improve nationally-led response capability.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand commits to continuing to reinforce national and local leadership in managing natural disasters and other hazards, including through an approach that is fit for context and scale of disasters, with a focus on the Pacific and Southeast Asia.	Capacity	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand commits to continuing to reinforce national and local leadership in natural disaster preparedness and response in the Pacific and South East Asia, by tailoring responses to the specific context, using national mechanisms as the default coordination arrangements, and ensuring that assistance is targeted at areas of need that cannot be fulfilled by affected governments and communities, and also commits to continuing to promote a similar approach among other responders.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand commits to improved regional cooperation in the Pacific to support national and local leadership of natural disaster response efforts.	Partnership	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand commits to the development of a National Disaster Resilience Strategy, which aims to take a broad societal approach to the management of disaster risk and efforts to strengthen resilience in New Zealand.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand commits to using data-driven, strategic foresight to forecast societal trends and what they might mean for emergency and disaster management, as part of developing a National Disaster Resilience Strategy to "future proof" New Zealand's disaster management arrangements.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
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<p>Commit to a new way of working that meets people's immediate humanitarian needs, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years through the achievement of collective outcomes. To achieve this, commit to the following: a) Anticipate, Do Not Wait: to invest in risk analysis and to incentivize early action in order to minimize the impact and frequency of known risks and hazards on people. b) Reinforce, Do Not Replace: to support and invest in local, national and regional leadership, capacity strengthening and response systems, avoiding duplicative international mechanisms wherever possible. c) Preserve and retain emergency capacity: to deliver predictable and flexible urgent and life-saving assistance and protection in accordance with humanitarian principles. d) Transcend Humanitarian-Development Divides: work together, toward collective outcomes that ensure humanitarian needs are met, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years and based on the comparative advantage of a diverse range of actors. The primacy of humanitarian principles will continue to underpin humanitarian action.</p>	<p>Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need</p>
<p>Commit to accelerate the reduction of disaster and climate-related risks through the coherent implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, as well as other relevant strategies and programs of action, including the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway.</p>	<p>Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity</p>
<p>Commit to improve the understanding, anticipation and preparedness for disaster and climate-related risks by investing in data, analysis and early warning, and developing evidence-based decision-making processes that result in early action.</p>	<p>Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need</p>

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand:

- participated in the Pacific Humanitarian Partnerships meeting in Suva in October 2016, and continues to engage in regional discussions on the Framework for Resilient Development in the Pacific (FRDP), including its conclusion;
- actively monitored and communicated with partner governments regarding disaster events;
- continues to support nationally led disaster response, including through ensuring coordinated and appropriate support is offered when necessary. This was a focus for the FRANZ (France, Australia, New Zealand) partnership meeting in November 2016;
- continues to refine and shape disaster response capabilities to support nationally led responses in the Pacific.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand:

- is currently developing its National Disaster Resilience Strategy;
- will continue to engage in regional forums and with regional partners on disaster risk management and humanitarian response;
- will review its Humanitarian Policy and Strategy in 2017, including to strengthen early recovery;
- will continue to monitor disasters and provide early warning system support to the Pacific;
- supports the implementation of the SAMOA (SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action) Pathway and continues to advocate strongly on issues surrounding Small Island Developing States;
- supports the implementation of the Sendai Framework domestically and internationally.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Keywords



Disaster Risk Reduction

### **Specific Initiatives**

Global Partnership for Preparedness

Platform on Disaster Displacement

Regional Organisations Humanitarian  
Action Network (ROHAN)

Risk and Vulnerability Data Platform

### **Agenda for Humanity**

4A - Reinforce, do not replace, national  
and local systems



## 4C Deliver collective outcomes: transcend humanitarian-development divides

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand commits to continuing to align its support, nationally and internationally, to national and local resilience efforts, and provide vulnerable people with a mix of short-term assistance to address immediate needs and longer-term assistance to improve self-reliance.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand endorses the Global Accord on Health in emergency settings, and the principle of improving national and global capacity to respond to health crises.	Policy	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand re-commits to the proper and coherent use, and the effective coordination of military assets in humanitarian action.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need
New Zealand will continue to ensure that its development assistance increases resilience to natural disasters and other hazards, and that New Zealand's humanitarian assistance help support recovery and longer-term development outcomes, especially in the Pacific.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity
New Zealand will continue to work to maintain core government capacity and ownership of solutions to humanitarian and development challenges, including protracted emergencies, and endeavour to support the re-establishment of basic market functions and private sector contributions through humanitarian, early recovery, and development responses.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility



Commit to a new way of working that meets people's immediate humanitarian needs, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years through the achievement of collective outcomes. To achieve this, commit to the following: a) Anticipate, Do Not Wait: to invest in risk analysis and to incentivize early action in order to minimize the impact and frequency of known risks and hazards on people. b) Reinforce, Do Not Replace: to support and invest in local, national and regional leadership, capacity strengthening and response systems, avoiding duplicative international mechanisms wherever possible. c) Preserve and retain emergency capacity: to deliver predictable and flexible urgent and life-saving assistance and protection in accordance with humanitarian principles. d) Transcend Humanitarian-Development Divides: work together, toward collective outcomes that ensure humanitarian needs are met, while at the same time reducing risk and vulnerability over multiple years and based on the comparative advantage of a diverse range of actors. The primacy of humanitarian principles will continue to underpin humanitarian action.

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### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand delivers an international development programme that maintains a disaster response capability to support immediate needs, while also increasing partners' resilience to natural disasters and other hazards.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand:

- will continue to build NZ government capability to deliver effective humanitarian response for partners, including through running simulation exercises;
- will to continue to effectively coordinate military assets in humanitarian action through ongoing engagement with FRANZ (France and Australia) partners;
- will continue to support long-term resilience building activities with our partners.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Keywords

- Disaster Risk Reduction                       People-centred approach

#### Specific Initiatives

- Commitment to Action: Transcending the humanitarian - development divide

#### Agenda for Humanity

- 4A - Reinforce, do not replace, national and local systems



## 5A Invest in local capacities

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand will support further discussions on increasing access for local and national humanitarian actors to multilateral humanitarian funding sources, subject to quality and accountability requirements being maintained.	Operational	Invest in Humanity

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to empower national and local humanitarian action by increasing the share of financing accessible to local and national humanitarian actors and supporting the enhancement of their national delivery systems, capacities and preparedness planning.	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand:

- will review its Humanitarian Policy and Strategy in 2017, including to strengthen localisation;
- will actively participate in the Good Humanitarian Donorship initiative workstream on localisation.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Keywords

- Central Emergency Response Fund       Country-based pooled funds

#### Specific Initiatives

- Charter for Change       Grand Bargain

#### Agenda for Humanity

- 4A - Reinforce, do not replace, national and local systems



## 5B Invest according to risk

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand will continue to ensure that its development assistance increases resilience to natural disasters and other hazards, and that New Zealand's humanitarian assistance help support recovery and longer-term development outcomes, especially in the Pacific.	Operational	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to accelerate the reduction of disaster and climate-related risks through the coherent implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change, as well as other relevant strategies and programs of action, including the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway.	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity
Commit to invest in risk management, preparedness and crisis prevention capacity to build the resilience of vulnerable and affected people.	Invest in Humanity

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

Resilience is an investment priority for the New Zealand Aid Programme. New Zealand continued to ensure resilience was prioritised in its development and humanitarian responses, including in its continuing support to the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance, the Secretariat of the Pacific Community, and the Green Climate Fund.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

Resilience is one of twelve investment priorities for New Zealand's overseas development assistance, and will continue to be incorporated into New Zealand's humanitarian responses.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Keywords

Disaster Risk Reduction

#### Specific Initiatives

Commitment to Action: Transcending the humanitarian - development divide

#### Agenda for Humanity

4B - Anticipate, do not wait, for crises





## 5C Invest in stability

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand will provide additional funding to support the UN's conflict prevention capacities, in particular conflict analysis and the good offices function, by contributing NZ\$ 1 million over the next two years (NZ\$ 0.5m per year), and will strongly advocate for an enhanced allocation of funding from the UN's regular budget funds towards conflict prevention.	Financial Contribution ( )	Invest in Humanity

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand provided NZ\$500,000 in core funding to support the UN's conflict prevention capacity through a Grant Contribution dated 26 August 2016.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand will provide an additional NZ\$500,000 in core funding to support the UN's conflict prevention capacity in the 2017/18 financial year.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Agenda for Humanity

1C - Remain engaged and invest in stability





## 5D Finance outcomes, not fragmentation: shift from funding to financing

### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
New Zealand will continue to participate actively in discussions on adapting multilateral funding instruments to help meet humanitarian needs, especially in protracted crises.	Operational	Invest in Humanity
New Zealand will continue to provide untagged multi-year core funding to prioritised multilateral humanitarian agencies, subject to performance and appropriations.	Financial	Invest in Humanity

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to enable coherent financing that avoids fragmentation by supporting collective outcomes over multiple years, supporting those with demonstrated comparative advantage to deliver in context.	Change People's Lives: From Delivering Aid to Ending Need Invest in Humanity
Commit to promote and increase predictable, multi-year, unearmarked, collaborative and flexible humanitarian funding toward greater efficiency, effectiveness, transparency and accountability of humanitarian action for affected people.	Invest in Humanity
Commit to broaden and adapt the global instruments and approaches to meet urgent needs, reduce risk and vulnerability and increase resilience, without adverse impact on humanitarian principles and overall action (as also proposed in Round Table on "Changing Lives").	Invest in Humanity

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand actively participated in OCHA Donor Support Group meetings throughout 2016. New Zealand provided untagged core funding to UNFPA, UNDP, UNICEF, ICRC, IFRC, OCHA, UNRWA, and the CERF.

### Challenges faced in implementation

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand will actively participate in all OCHA Donor Support Group meetings. New Zealand will continue to provide untagged core funding to UNFPA, UNDP, UNICEF, ICRC, IFRC, OCHA, UNRWA.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Keywords

Central Emergency Response Fund  Country-based pooled funds



## 5E Diversify the resource base and increase cost-efficiency

### Core Commitments

Commitment	Core Responsibility
Commit to promote and increase predictable, multi-year, unearmarked, collaborative and flexible humanitarian funding toward greater efficiency, effectiveness, transparency and accountability of humanitarian action for affected people.	Invest in Humanity

### Where did your organization stand on these issues prior to making these commitments

Consistent with existing policy settings.

### Achievements at a glance

New Zealand's humanitarian budget has been provided on a triennial basis to ensure predictability and transparency.

### How is your organization assessing progress

Through existing reporting and assessment channels.

### Next step to advance implementation in 2017

New Zealand:

- will continue to provide predictable funding to a range of multilateral humanitarian agencies on a multi-year basis to support greatest needs;
- will provide funding support in response to humanitarian events to respond to need on a case-by-case basis.

### Tag with other relevant transformations, keywords, initiatives

#### Specific Initiatives

Charter for Change

Commitment to Action: Transcending the humanitarian - development divide

Grand Bargain