



GENERAL

A/CONF.2/99
20 July 1951

Original: ENGLISH

CONFERENCE OF PLENIPOTENTIARIES
ON THE STATUS OF REFUGEES AND
STATELESS PERSONS
(Item 6 of the agenda)

Dual Distribution

DRAFT CONVENTION RELATING
TO THE STATUS OF REFUGEES

UK: Amendment to the Preamble

[The Contracting States]

Considering that the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights approved on 10 December 1948 by the General Assembly have reaffirmed the principle that human beings shall enjoy fundamental rights and freedoms without discrimination;

Considering that the United Nations has, on various occasions, and most recently by Resolution number 319 A (iv) of the General Assembly, manifested its profound concern for refugees and the need for their international protection;

Considering that a satisfactory solution of a problem of which the United Nations has recognized the international scope and nature cannot be achieved without international co-operation;

Desiring to revise and consolidate previous international agreements relating to the protection of refugees and to extend the scope of and the protection accorded by such instruments by means of a new agreement;

Noting that the High Commissioner for Refugees is charged with the task of supervising international conventions providing for the protection of refugees, and recognizing that the effective co-ordination of measures taken to deal with this problem will depend upon the co-operation of States with the High Commissioner;

Have agreed as follows:-