

**U.S. Statement for the
UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)
Regional Review of the Global Compact for Migration (GCM)
Thematic Session 4
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Thank you, Madam Chair, distinguished delegates, and especially to our distinguished co-chairs of this review, Spain and Moldova. Thank you to the United Kingdom for presenting our joint statement of support for the Migration MPTF.

The United States recognizes that addressing unprecedented levels of irregular migration and forced displacement requires a collaborative strategy and cooperative action. We are stronger when we work together.

In line with Objective 23—which calls for strengthened international cooperation—the United States and 21 other countries in the western hemisphere endorsed the Los Angeles Declaration on Migration and Protection—the first hemisphere-wide framework that seeks to mobilize the region around safe, orderly, and humane migration management.

Together with our regional partners, we work to help refugees and migrants find stability and integrate where they are, access lawful pathways and international protection, and, for those with no lawful basis to stay where they are, to return and reintegrate in their home countries, all the while working to address the root causes underlying human mobility.

Globally, the United States promotes respect for human rights and the dignity of all, regardless of their immigration status. To help reduce vulnerabilities of migrants, we work with regional, national, and subnational partners to implement practices aimed at preventing and resolving statelessness, expanding access to birth registration, and mobilizing and advocating for reforms to eliminate discrimination in nationality laws against

women, members of minority communities, and others, and assessing the impact of climate change on migration.

The United States seeks to expand U.S. and multilateral efforts to strengthen collaborative migration management. The United States believes that all individuals should be able to have a safe, stable, and dignified life, including decent work, within their own countries, while ensuring that asylum and other lawful migration pathways remain available to those who need them.

Thank you.