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Note verbale dated 12 July 2010 from the Permanent Mission of the Congo to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Congo to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to inform him of the decision of the Government of the Republic of the Congo to present its candidature for membership in the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

The Republic of the Congo has always welcomed many people from a number of African countries. The Congolese Government and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees have signed partnership agreements on the management of these people with some of the countries of the subregion from which they came.

The Republic of the Congo's membership in the Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees would be useful in the quest for appropriate, comprehensive and sustainable solutions to the problems of refugees, displaced persons and stateless persons in the Great Lakes region in general and in the Republic of the Congo in particular.



