

THE ROLE OF UNHCR AND KENYA AS A STATE IN REFUGEE PROTECTION.

A case study of Kakuma Refugee camp.

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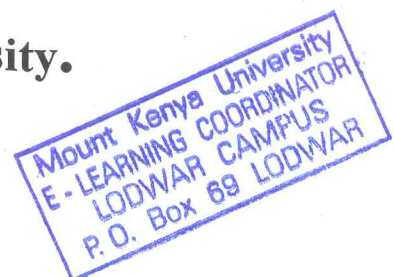
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ABSTRACT

This study examined the extent at which UNHCR and Kenya as a state are engaged in the work of Refugee protection. The results of the study show that Kenya as a state is giving little contributions to refugee protection work. The researcher recommends that, host states should not only rely on international legislation to make decisions on refugee's welfare. These states should look into the way it can domestically provide a legal frame work for fair and easier treatment of refugees. The work of refugee protection should not be only left in the hands of UNHCR, so states should take into account to refugee problems and assist UNHCR financially and in other ways because UNHCR is helping them to determine who asylum seekers are. States should treat be refugees well through allowing them to integrate with the locals in various ways in order to contribute to national integration. Also UNHCR should seek to promote the adoption of international standard for the treatment of refuges and the affective implementation of roles of refugee protection. This research will majorly rely on both primary and secondary data. Primary data will be gathered from the UNHCR and IOM offices through structured interviews with staff and some refugee community available in Nairobi town. Also questionnaires will be made and sent to sub office Kakuma (SOK) and secondary schools available in the camp, whereby they will be filled by the staff, students and community members from the source and sent back through a link which the researcher will use to receive them. This interviews and questionnaires will enable the researcher hear/get the views and suggestions from both cadres on how UNHCR and the governments of Kenya help incompleation of the work of refugee protection.