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**Dr. Kamel Mehanna**  
**Founder and President of Amel Association,**  
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Dear Kamel,

*Cher Kamel,*

On behalf of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), its staff and refugees, I would like to reiterate my sincere thanks and appreciation for the exemplary dedication of your organization and your committed staff.

Your commitment and professionalism have been the key to an exceptional World Refugee Day. Your continuous and tireless work for refugees is indispensable for UNHCR to be able to fulfil its mandate. It is indeed this kind of partnership that made this year's activities a great success.

Needless to say that we, together, succeeded in providing cheerful and colourful moments to refugees, which is, to say the least, rewarding to the humanitarian community.

My deepest appreciation also goes to your staff for mobilizing the refugees and for their continuous concern for refugees' welfare and well being.

Again, I deeply thank you for making this year's World Refugee Day such a memorable one.

Sincerely yours,

Stephane Jaquemet  
UNHCR Representative

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