Statement By Romain Nadal spokesman of French Foreign Affairs Ministry

Minister visiting Turkish Nizip refugee

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USPA NEWS - As part of his visit to Turkey, Jean-Marc Ayrault, Minister of Foreign Affairs, arrived in Gaziantep where he meets humanitarian actors who work daily to alleviate the suffering of the Syrian population. He will visit the camp Nizip refugee, which hosts a large number of Syrians.

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France reiterates its support for all humanitarian workers who, every day, often risking their lives, provide relief to the Syrian population. We recall the urgent need to achieve a lasting cessation of hostilities to allow the delivery of humanitarian assistance to populations in need and the resumption of a political process, as envisaged in the resolution 2254 of the Security Council United Nations." Source French Diplomacy

ABOUT NIZIP REFUGEE CAMPS ------Southeast Turkey is home to more than a million Syrian refugees, 220,000 of them in camps. Turkey itself has welcomed 2.5 million Syrians and hundreds of thousands of others, notably from Iraq. It is the largest refugee hosting country in the world.

At the Nizip I and II camps, home to almost 16,000 refugees, some of whom fled their country four years ago, Grandi said the choice of his first visit as High Commissioner was to send a message to the world that Turkey is doing a wonderful job handling the huge number of displaced people. Source UNHCR

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