

More than 5000 Celebrities and Film Professionals Raise their Voices! For a Thousand Lives: Be Human.

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appeal to their national governments and the European Commission to handle the humanitarian crisis in accordance with the basic values of the European Union, which stipulate respect for human dignity and human rights, including the rights of persons belonging to minorities. (Article 2, Treaty on E.U. 2008)

- The European Union must offer legal ways for people fleeing war, terror, or political persecution to seek protection in the E.U. by setting up infrastructures in their countries of origin, and in third party countries, where they can apply for asylum. This will stop forcing them to take illegal routes, and risk their lives.
- European nations must act in solidarity as we are facing the biggest refugee crisis since WWII. The Dublin convention has obviously led to absurd and unjust burdens for the border countries of the E.U. Consequently, immediately repealing the Dublin convention and enforcing a better division of refugees among the E.U. states is a must.
- The European Countries must create living conditions for refugees that embrace personal freedom, physical safety without restriction, and devote the necessary means to ensure that refugees can work legally, get access to education and build a new life.

Europe must act now. Let's not risk another life!

Shocked by the recent humanitarian crisis, Belgian documentary filmmaker Nathalie Borgers and Austrian producer Ursula Wolschlager launched the Appeal on Sept. 2nd.

It went viral, received thousands of signatures and rallied the support of Europe's leading institutions. The Venice Film Festival highlighted the appeal at the closing gala which was broadcast live on Italian TV. The San Sebastian Film Festival also supported it and even opened their award ceremony with it's reading.

To sign the appeal: www.for-a-1000-lives.eu

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