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- UNHCR Representation Office
- UNHCR Sub-Office
- UNHCR Field Office
- UNHCR Field Unit
- Refugee Camp
- Inactive Refugee Camp (Closed/Refugee camp not yet officially handed over to the local administrations)

**Refugee site**

- Refugee Center
- Refugee Location
- Refugee Urban Location
- Crossing points
- Admin 1 (Region) boundary
- International boundary line
- Dashed boundary line
- Dotted boundary line: Abyei North, Abyei South

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