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Louise Aubin is the Representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Canberra, with geographical responsibility for the region, which includes Australia, the Cook Islands, the Republic of Fiji, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of Kiribati, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Republic of Nauru, New Zealand, Niue, the Republic of Palau, the Independent State of Papua New Guinea, the Independent State of Samoa, the Solomon Islands, the Kingdom of Tonga, Tuvalu and the Republic Vanuatu.

Building on the tradition of cooperation in the region, Louise's role is to work with governments and other partners to increase understanding and support for refugees and asylum-seekers, and stateless persons.

Prior to commencing her assignment in Canberra, Louise was the Deputy Director (Protection Operational Support Service) in the Division of International Protection at UNHCR's Headquarters in Geneva. She oversaw the development of policies and operational guidance to UNHCR field operations on a range of protection issues including child protection, sexual and gender-based violence, and gender equality, with a particular focus on UNHCR's emergency protection response and internal displacement.

Louise is a Canadian lawyer. Since joining UNHCR, she has served in a number of refugee and internal displacement operations including Central African Republic, Rwanda, Guinea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Bangladesh, in addition to legal and advocacy work in Canada and in France.