



## **Office of the Refugee Applications Commissioner**

### **Monthly Statistics**

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**31 August, 2003**

<b>Asylum Applications. The Office of the Refugee Applications Commissioner. Activity from 20/11/2000</b>					<b>Table 1</b>
	<b>Pre 2001</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003 (31/08/03)</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Applications</b>					
No. of new applications for a declaration as a refugee	*10912	10316	11598	5700	
No of re-applications for a declaration as a refugee	*26	9	36	351	
<b>Total No. of applications for a declaration as a refugee</b>	<b>*10938</b>	<b>10325</b>	<b>11634</b>	<b>6051</b>	
Balance of applications awaiting a recommendation from 17/11/00	9,427				<b>9427</b>
Applications received from 20/11/00	1,132	10325	11634	6051	<b>29142</b>
Decisions overturned	202	23	15	1	<b>241</b>
<b>No. of applications processed since 20/11/00</b>	<b>10,532</b>	<b>9,993</b>	<b>10,644</b>	<b>1,284</b>	<b>32453</b>
<u>Unprocessable</u>	221	342	434	189	<b>1186</b>

<b>No. of applications outstanding</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>4,579</b>	<b>5171</b>
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It should be noted that the above figures refer to the year in which the application was lodged and NOT to the year in which it was processed. These statistics reflect activity since the implementation of the Refugee Act 1996 (as amended) on 17/11/20

**Processing of Outstanding Applications**

All adult applicants are scheduled for interview. In August 491 interviews were scheduled. Excluding interviews postponed by ORAC, applicants attended in 75% of cases.

**Decisions overturned**

These are manifestly unfounded cases overturned at appeal and cases which were overturned following Judicial Review.

\*2000 only

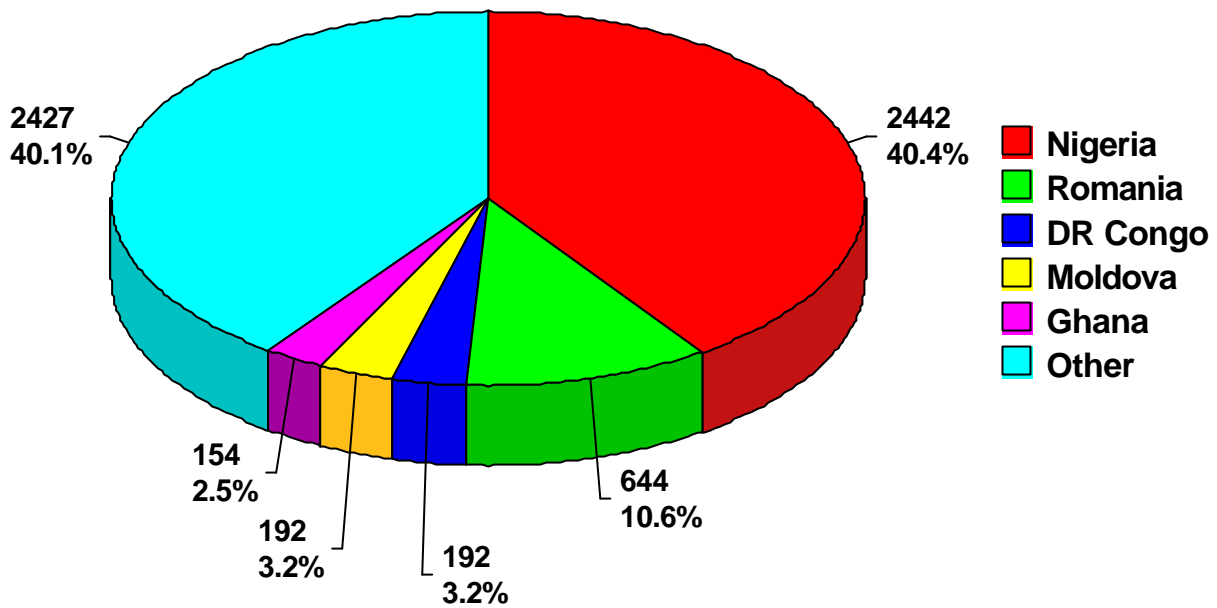
<b>Applications and Cases Processed to Completion for August 2003</b>		<b>Table 2</b>
New applications for a declaration as a refugee		550
Re-applications for a declaration as a refugee		105
<b>Total Applications for a declaration as a refugee</b>		<b>655</b>
<b>Cases Completed</b>		
These are broken down as follows:		594
Recommendations to declare applicant to be a refugee		33
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee following interview - S13		399
Recommendation that an application is Manifestly Unfounded following interview - S12(1)		10
Recommendation to Refuse following failure to attend for second interview - S11(9)		51
Determinations made under Dublin Convention		33
Applications to withdraw processed		46
Unprocessable		22

<b>Applications and Cases Processed to Completion for 2001/2002/2003</b>		<b>Table 3</b>		
	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003 (31/08)</b>	
Recommendation to declare applicant to be a refugee	458	893	251	
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee following interview - S13	3980	5852	3654	
Recommendation that an application is Manifestly Unfounded following interview - S 12(1)	595	114	142	
Recommendation to Refuse following failure to attend for second interview - S 11(9)	1930	1501	565	
Determinations made under Dublin Convention	232	191	162	
Applications to withdraw processed	4621	6064	1091	
Unprocessable	372	586	228	
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,188</b>	<b>15,201</b>	<b>6,093</b>	

It should be noted that these recommendations refer to the year in which the recommendations were made and NOT to the year in which the applications were lodged.

### Top five countries of origin 2003 (31/08)

Total: 6051



### Top five countries of origin for same period in 2002

Total: 7213

