



Office of the Refugee Applications Commissioner

Monthly Statistics

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Asylum Applications. The Office of the Refugee Applications Commissioner.					Table 1
Activity from 20/11/2000					
	Pre 2001	2001	2002	2003 (31/01/03)	Total
Applications					
No. of applications for a declaration as a refugee	*10938	10325	11634	979	22938
Balance of applications awaiting a recommendation from 17/11/00	9,427				9427
Applications received from 20/11/00	1,132	10325	11634	979	24070
Decisions overturned	201	23	5	0	229
No. of applications processed since 20/11/00**	10,493	9,884	7,356	30	27763
Unprocessable	223	349	426	1	999
No. of applications outstanding	44	115	3,857	948	4964

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 17/11/2000

Processing of Outstanding Applications

All adult applicants are scheduled for interviews. In January 1192 interviews were scheduled and applicants attended in 476 cases (attendance rate of 40%)

Decisions overturned

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

*2000 only

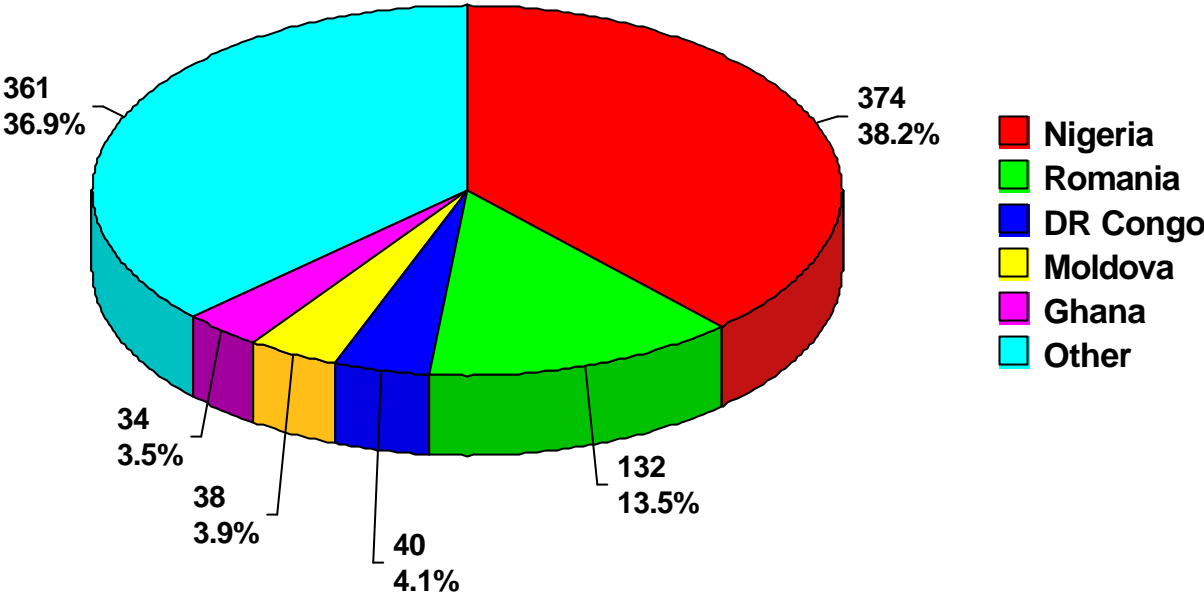
Applications and Cases Processed to Completion for January 2003		Table 2
Applications for a declaration as a refugee		979
Cases Completed These are broken down as follows:		1121
Recommendations to declare applicant to be a refugee		38
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee following interview - S13		383
Recommendation that an application is Manifestly Unfounded following interview - S12(1)		9
Recommendation to Refuse following failure to attend for second interview - S11(9)		132
Determinations made under Dublin Convention		27
Applications to withdraw processed		491
Unprocessable		41

Applications and Cases Processed to Completion for 2001/2002/2003				Table 3
	2001	2002	2003	
Recommendation to declare applicant to be a refugee	458	893	38	
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee following interview - S13	3963	5852	383	
Recommendation that an application is Manifestly Unfounded following interview - S 12(1)	567	114	9	
Recommendation to Refuse following failure to attend for second interview - S 11(9)	1971	1503	132	
Determinations made under Dublin Convention	232	191	27	
Applications to withdraw processed	4581	6073	491	
Unprocessable	372	586	41	
Total	12,144	15,212	1,121	

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 (31/01)

Total: 979



Top five countries of origin for same period in 2002

Total: 838

