
Office of the Refugee Applications Commissioner



Monthly statistical report November 2013

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Table 1 - Activity from 20/11/2000

Applications	Pre 2003	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
New applications for a declaration as a refugee	*11598	7,483	4,265	4,304	4,241	3,933	3,807	2,660	1,918	1,282	940	869	35,702
Re-applications for a declaration as a refugee	*36	417	501	19	73	52	59	29	21	8	16	8	1,203
Total applications for a declaration as a refugee	*11634	7,900	4,766	4,323	4,314	3,985	3,866	2,689	1,939	1,290	956	877	36,905
Balance of applications awaiting a recommendation from 17/11/00	9,427												
Applications received from 20/11/00	23,091	7,900	4,766	4,323	4,314	3,985	3,866	2,689	1,939	1,290	956	877	59,996
Decisions returned for processing	293	36	147	184	213	122	134	130	113	69	13	0	1,454
Previous DII determinations where transfer completed [Deemed Withdrawn S22(8)]	0	0	0	3	8	80	266	227	147	96	77	46	950
No. of applications processed since 20/11/00	32,810	7,936	4,913	4,506	4,526	4,107	4,000	2,819	2,052	1,358	964	615	70,606
<i>Unprocessable</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>4</i>
No. of applications outstanding	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	261	267

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 interview. In November 101 interviews were scheduled. Excluding interviews postponed, applicants attended in 86.1% of cases.

Decisions Returned for Processing

These are EU Dublin II Regulation cases in which their transfers have expired and which have therefore been returned to ORAC for further processing.

The total number of cases returned for processing in 2013 is 92 as at 30th of November.

*2002 only

Table 2 - Activity breakdown for November 2013

Applications

New applications for a declaration as a refugee	108
Re-applications for a declaration as a refugee	1
Total applications for a declaration as a refugee	109

Outcomes

Recommendations to grant an applicant refugee status	11	
Recommendation to refuse an applicant refugee status		
▪ Where section 13(4)(b) applies	37	
▪ Where section 13(5) applies	16	
	- Withdrawn	2
▪ Where section 13(2) applies	- Deemed Withdrawn	12
	- Total	14
▪ Where section 22(8) applies	5	
▪ Determinations made under the EU Dublin II Regulation	3	
Unprocessable	0	
Amendment / Adjustment	0	
Total outcomes	86	

Additional activity

Applications returned for processing	4
Recommendations withdrawn/reviewed	0
Previous DII determinations where transfer completed [Deemed Withdrawn s.22(8)]	5
Total additional cases	9

Table 3 - Cases Processed to Completion [2002 to 2013 (30/11)]

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Positive recommendations	894	345	430	455	397	376	295	97	24	61	67	124
Negative recommendations following interview	5,965	5,461	4,906	3,952	3,249	2,621	2,942	2,612	1,309	1,050	700	521
Other negative recommendations and cases withdrawn	7,565	3,509	1,562	835	598	811	964	797	596	480	287	240
Determinations made under the Dublin Convention / EU Dublin II Regulation	191	237	243	439	540	368	385	402	263	243	144	138
Unprocessable	586	-911	-20	1	0	-24	-1	0	0	0	0	1
Amendment/Adjustment							-4					
Total	15,201	8,641	7,121	5,682	4,784	4,152	4,581	3,908	2,192	1,834	1,198	1,024

It should be noted that the above figures refer to the year in which the outcomes were made, and not to the year in which the applications were lodged.

Table 4

Applications received and cases processed to completion which are subject to a Ministerial prioritisation directive under Section 12 of the Refugee Act 1996 - November 2013

Applications

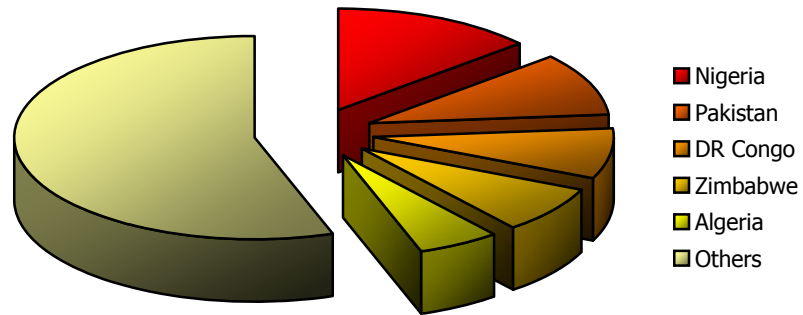
Total applications for a declaration as a refugee **3**

Outcomes

Recommendations to grant an applicant refugee status	0	
Recommendation to refuse an applicant refugee status		
▪ Where section 13(4)(b) applies	0	
▪ Where section 13(5) applies	0	
	- Withdrawn	0
▪ Where section 13(2) applies	- Deemed Withdrawn	0
	- Total	0
▪ Where section 22(8) applies	0	
▪ Determinations made under the EU Dublin II Regulation	0	
Unprocessable	0	
Total outcomes	0	

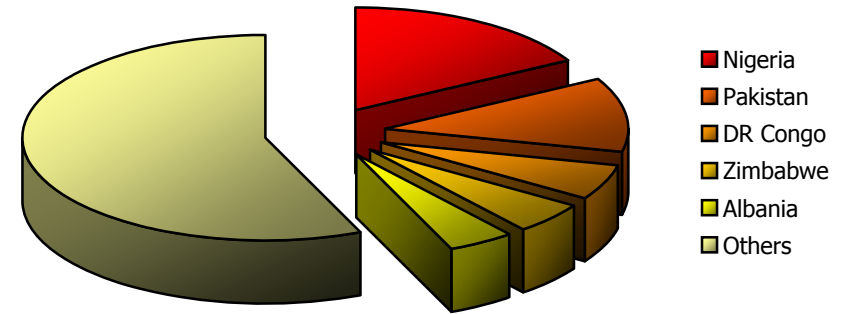
Table 5 - Applications for a declaration to be a refugee (top 5 nationalities)

Applications in 2013 (30/11)



Nationality	Applications	% of total
Nigeria	120	13.7
Pakistan	86	9.8
DR Congo	71	8.1
Zimbabwe	66	7.5
Algeria	49	5.6
Others	485	55.3
Total	877	100.0

Applications in 2012 (30/11)



Nationality	Applications	% of total
Nigeria	149	16.9
Pakistan	103	11.7
DR Congo	49	5.5
Zimbabwe	45	5.1
Albania	39	4.4
Others	498	56.4
Total	883	100.0

Table 6 - Family Reunification

Monthly / Year-to-date activity	November		2013	
	Applications	Dependants	Applications	Dependants
Family Reunification files received by ORAC	11	20	153	273
Family Reunification files returned to the Minister	11	17	146	292

Applications outstanding as at 30-November 67

Table 7 - Family Reunification files received [Top 5 Nationalities]

