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Table 1 - Activity from 20/11/2000

Applications	Pre 2003	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	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	868	34,761
Re-applications for a declaration as a refugee	*36	417	501	19	73	52	59	29	21	8	15	1,194
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	883	35,955
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	883	59,046
Decisions returned for processing	293	36	147	184	211	121	121	116	107	12	1	1,349
Previous DII determinations where transfer completed [Deemed Withdrawn S22(8)]	0	0	0	3	6	80	266	227	147	94	42	865
No. of applications processed since 20/11/00	32,810	7,936	4,913	4,506	4,524	4,106	3,987	2,805	2,045	1,294	694	69,620
<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>3</i>
No. of applications outstanding	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	190	199

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 114 interviews were scheduled. Excluding interviews postponed, applicants attended in 85.7% 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 2012 is 105 as at 30th of November.

*2002 only

Table 2 - Activity breakdown for November 2012

Applications

New applications for a declaration as a refugee	72
Re-applications for a declaration as a refugee	0
Total applications for a declaration as a refugee	72

Outcomes

Recommendations to grant an applicant refugee status	8
Recommendation to refuse an applicant refugee status	
▪ Where section 13(4)(b) applies	40
▪ Where section 13(5) applies	13
	- Withdrawn 1
▪ Where section 13(2) applies	- Deemed Withdrawn 19
	- Total 20
▪ Where section 22(8) applies	6
▪ Determinations made under the EU Dublin II Regulation	11
Unprocessable	0
Amendment / Adjustment	0
Total outcomes	98

Additional activity

Cases returned for processing	9
Decisions withdrawn/reviewed	2
Previous DII determinations where transfer completed [Deemed Withdrawn s.22(8)]	6
Total additional cases	17

Table 3 - Cases Processed to Completion [2002 to 2012 (30/11)]

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Positive recommendations	894	345	430	455	397	376	295	97	24	61	57
Negative recommendations following interview	5,965	5,461	4,906	3,952	3,249	2,621	2,942	2,612	1,309	1,050	668
Other negative recommendations and cases withdrawn	7,565	3,509	1,562	835	598	811	964	797	596	480	266
Determinations made under the Dublin Convention / EU Dublin II Regulation	191	237	243	439	540	368	385	402	263	243	135
Unprocessable	586	-911	-20	1	0	-24	-1	0	0	0	0
Amendment/Adjustment							-4				
Total	15,201	8,641	7,121	5,682	4,784	4,152	4,581	3,908	2,192	1,834	1,126

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 2012

Applications

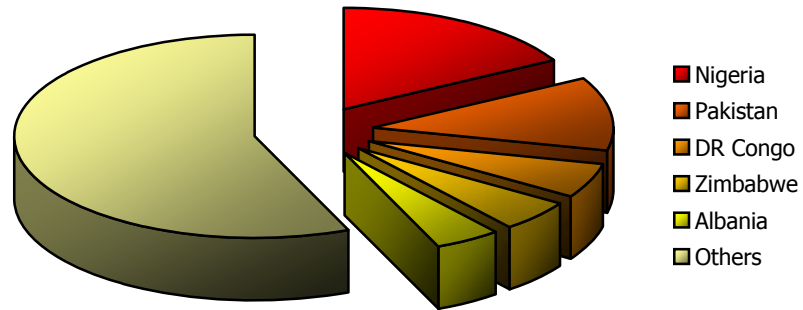
Total applications for a declaration as a refugee **1**

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	3	
	- 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	3	

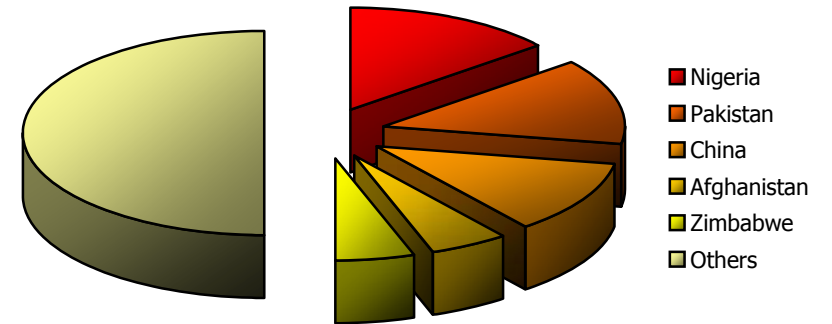
Table 5 - Applications for a declaration to be a refugee (top 5 nationalities)

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

Applications in 2011 (30/11)



Nationality	Applications	% of total
Nigeria	169	14.2
Pakistan	164	13.7
China	139	11.6
Afghanistan	62	5.2
Zimbabwe	62	5.2
Others	598	50.1
Total	1,194	100.0

Table 6 - Family Reunification

Monthly / Year-to-date activity	November		2012	
	Applications	Dependants	Applications	Dependants
Family Reunification files received by ORAC	14	26	198	388
Family Reunification files returned to the Minister	13	24	259	505

Applications outstanding as at 30-Nov: 64

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

