



Office of the Refugee Applications Commissioner

Monthly Statistics

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31 July, 2003

Asylum Applications. The Office of the Refugee Applications Commissioner. Activity from 20/11/2000					Table 1
	Pre 2001	2001	2002	2003 (31/07/03)	Total
Applications					
No. of new applications for a declaration as a refugee	*10912	10316	11598	5186	
No of re-applications for a declaration as a refugee	*26	9	36	211	
Total No. of applications for a declaration as a refugee	*10938	10325	11634	5397	
Balance of applications awaiting a recommendation from 17/11/00	9,427				9427
Applications received from 20/11/00	1,132	10325	11634	5397	28488
Decisions overturned	202	23	10	0	235
No. of applications processed since 20/11/00	10,528	9,993	10,422	964	31907
<u>Unprocessable</u>	221	343	435	165	1164

No. of applications outstanding	12	12	787	4,268	5079
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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 17/11/2000

Processing of Outstanding Applications

All adult applicants are scheduled for interview. In July 647 interviews were scheduled. Excluding interviews postponed by ORAC, applicants attended in 72% of cases.

Decisions overturned

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

*2000 only

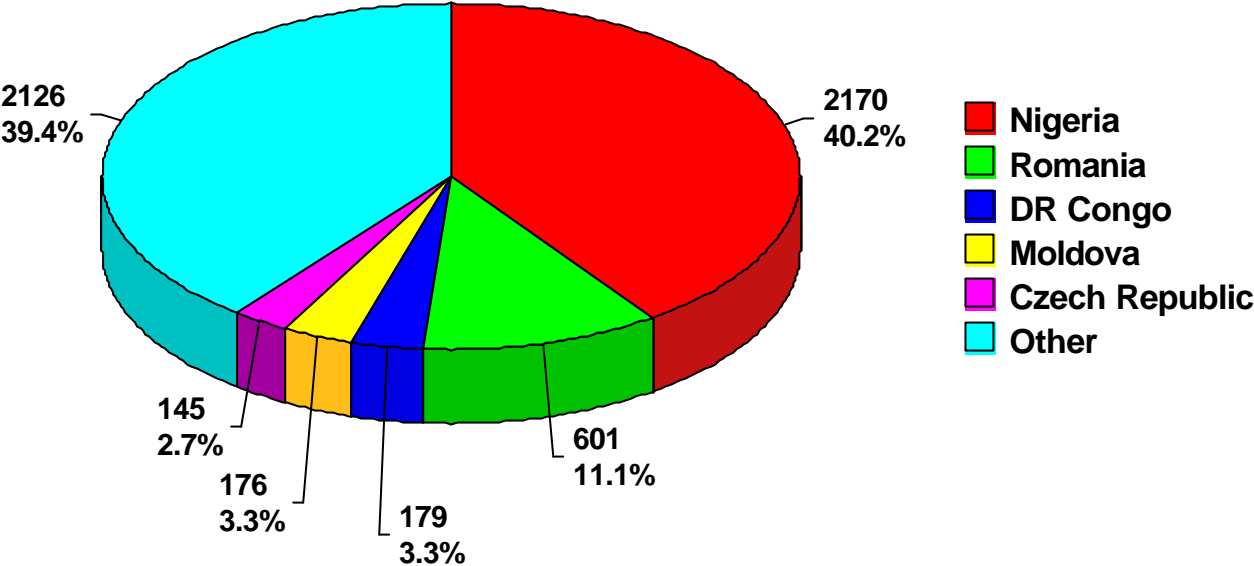
Applications and Cases Processed to Completion for July 2003		Table 2
New applications for a declaration as a refugee		574
Re-applications for a declaration as a refugee		73
Total Applications for a declaration as a refugee		647
Cases Completed		
These are broken down as follows:		741
Recommendations to declare applicant to be a refugee		36
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee following interview - S13		534
Recommendation that an application is Manifestly Unfounded following interview - S12(1)		18
Recommendation to Refuse following failure to attend for second interview - S11(9)		65
Determinations made under Dublin Convention		20
Applications to withdraw processed		55
Unprocessable		13

Applications and Cases Processed to Completion for 2001/2002/2003				Table 3
	2001	2002	2003 (31/07)	
Recommendation to declare applicant to be a refugee	458	893	218	
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee following interview - S13	3980	5852	3255	
Recommendation that an application is Manifestly Unfounded following interview - S 12(1)	595	114	132	
Recommendation to Refuse following failure to attend for second interview - S 11(9)	1930	1501	514	
Determinations made under Dublin Convention	232	191	129	
Applications to withdraw processed	4621	6064	1045	
Unprocessable	372	586	206	
Total	12,188	15,201	5,499	

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 (31/07)

Total: 5397



Top five countries of origin for same period in 2002

Total: 6218

