



Office of the Refugee Applications Commissioner

Monthly Statistics

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31 December, 2001

Asylum Applications. The Office of the Refugee Applications Commissioner. Activity from 20/11/2000					Table 1
	1998	1999	2000	2001	Total
Applications					
No. of applications for a declaration as a refugee	4,626	7,724	10938	10325	33613
Balance of applications awaiting a recommendation from 17/11/00	145	3,093	6189		9427
Applications received from 20/11/00			1132	10325	11457
No. of applications processed since 20/11/00**	126	2,881	5,744	3,278	12,029
<u>Unprocessable</u>	12	9	193	158	372
No. of applications outstanding	7	203	1,384	6,889	8,483

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.

One 1997 case which cannot yet be finalised is included in the 1998 figure and an additional three have been added to the 1998 recommendations. All other pre 1998 cases have been processed.

Processing of Outstanding Applications

All adult applicants are scheduled for interviews. In December 639 interviews were scheduled and applicants attended in 314 cases (attendance rate of 49%)

**** Year end adjustment**

Cases Returned to the Substantive Process

During 2001, 176 Cases receiving negative recommendations were overturned at appeal or Judicial Review and returned to the substantive process. These cases have been subtracted from applications processed in the above figures.

Applications and Cases Processed to Completion for December 2001		Table 2
Applications for a declaration as a refugee		960
Cases Completed These are broken down as follows:		1152
Recommendations to declare applicant to be a refugee		44
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee following interview - S13		282
Recommendation that an application is Manifestly Unfounded following interview - S12(1)		9
Recommendation to Refuse following failure to attend for second interview - S11(9)		65
Determinations made under Dublin Convention		28
Applications to withdraw processed		365
Unprocessable		359

Applications and Cases Processed to Completion for 2000/2001				Table 3
	2000 (20/11-31/12)	2000 (1/1-31/12)	2001	
Recommendation to declare applicant to be a refugee	11	211	456	
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee following interview - S13	93	2409	3963	
Recommendation that an application is Manifestly Unfounded following interview - S 12(1)	33	2259	567	
* Recommendation to Refuse following failure to attend for second interview - S 11(9)	4	1515	1971	
* Determinations made under Dublin Convention	2	2	232	
Applications to withdraw processed	292	2376	4581	
Unprocessable			372	
Total	435	8,770	12,142	

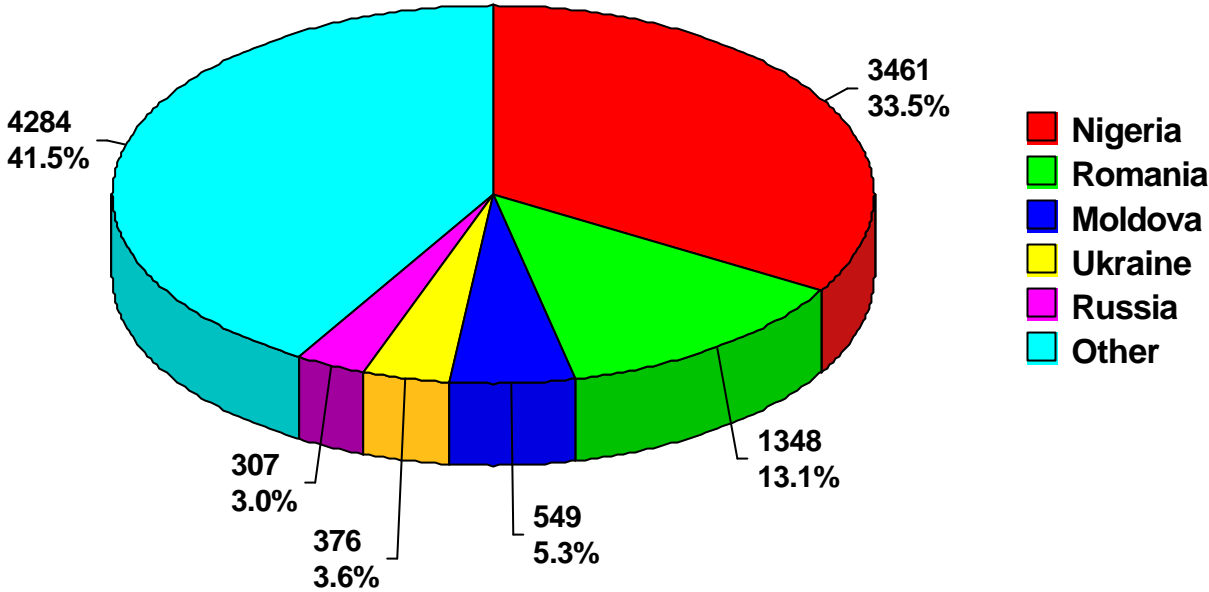
It should be noted that these recommendations refer to the year in which the recommendations were made and NOT to the year in which the applications were lodged.

*The figure stated for 2000 includes Manifestly Unfounded following failure to attend for second interview and Deemed Abandon cases.

*Dublin Convention are not included in the figure for the year 2000 as they are not comparable.

Top five countries of origin 2001

Total: 10325



Top five countries of origin 2000

Total: 10938

