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Monthly statistical report July 2012

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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	540	34,433
Re-applications for a declaration as a refugee	*36	417	501	19	73	52	59	29	21	8	9	1,188
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	549	35,621
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	549	58,712
Decisions returned for processing	293	36	147	184	211	121	120	116	88	3	1	1,320
Previous DII determinations where transfer completed [Deemed Withdrawn S22(8)]	0	0	0	3	6	80	266	227	147	93	22	844
No. of applications processed since 20/11/00	32,810	7,936	4,913	4,506	4,524	4,106	3,986	2,805	2,027	1,275	374	69,262
<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	0	18	176	194

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 89 interviews were scheduled. Excluding interviews postponed, applicants attended in 80.3% 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 76 as at 31st of July.

*2002 only

Table 2 - Activity breakdown for July 2012

Applications

New applications for a declaration as a refugee	91
Re-applications for a declaration as a refugee	0
Total applications for a declaration as a refugee	91

Outcomes

Recommendations to grant an applicant refugee status	2
Recommendation to refuse an applicant refugee status	
▪ Where section 13(4)(b) applies	38
▪ Where section 13(5) applies	16
	- Withdrawn 2
▪ Where section 13(2) applies	- Deemed Withdrawn 14
	- Total 16
▪ Where section 22(8) applies	8
▪ Determinations made under the EU Dublin II Regulation	12
Unprocessable	0
Amendment / Adjustment	0
Total outcomes	92

Additional activity

Cases returned for processing	10
Decisions withdrawn/reviewed	2
Previous DII determinations where transfer completed [Deemed Withdrawn s.22(8)]	8
Total additional cases	20

Table 3 - Cases Processed to Completion [2002 to 2012 (31/07)]

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Positive recommendations	894	345	430	455	397	376	295	97	24	61	29
Negative recommendations following interview	5,965	5,461	4,906	3,952	3,249	2,621	2,942	2,612	1,309	1,050	445
Other negative recommendations and cases withdrawn	7,565	3,509	1,562	835	598	811	964	797	596	480	179
Determinations made under the Dublin Convention / EU Dublin II Regulation	191	237	243	439	540	368	385	402	263	243	86
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	739

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 - July 2012

Applications

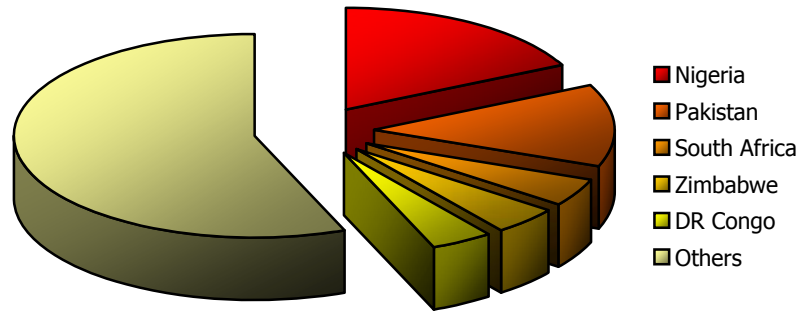
Total applications for a declaration as a refugee 1

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	4
	- Withdrawn 0
▪ Where section 13(2) applies	- Deemed Withdrawn 1
	- Total 1
▪ Where section 22(8) applies	1
▪ Determinations made under the EU Dublin II Regulation	0
Unprocessable	0
Total outcomes	6

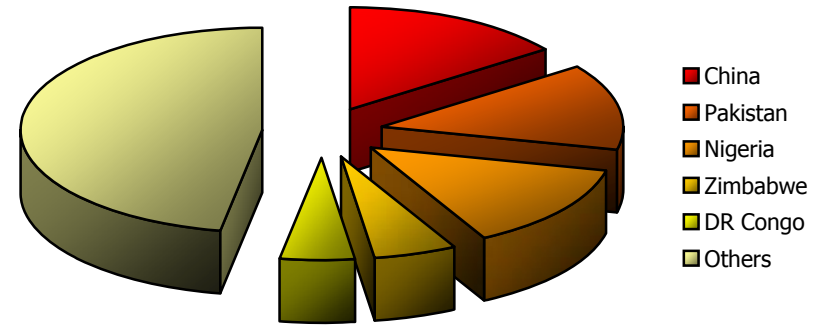
Table 5 - Applications for a declaration to be a refugee (top 5 nationalities)

Applications in 2012 (31/07)



Nationality	Applications	% of total
Nigeria	97	17.7
Pakistan	72	13.1
South Africa	25	4.6
Zimbabwe	24	4.4
DR Congo	23	4.2
Others	308	56.1
Total	549	100.0

Applications in 2011 (31/07)



Nationality	Applications	% of total
China	120	15.1
Pakistan	109	13.7
Nigeria	107	13.4
Zimbabwe	44	5.5
DR Congo	41	5.1
Others	376	47.2
Total	797	100.0

Table 6 - Family Reunification

Monthly / Year-to-date activity	July		2012	
	Applications	Dependants	Applications	Dependants
Family Reunification files received by ORAC	18	34	133	255
Family Reunification files returned to the Minister	21	35	197	372

Applications outstanding as at 31-Jul: 61

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

