

# A Special Issue on Refugees from the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) and Eastern Europe

#### From the Editor's Desk:

**Refuge** has been published four times a year for over ten years. With this issue we are pleased to announce that we will be publishing ten issues a year. We will publish only one issue for July-August and there will be no December issue. The reasons for this are twofold.

First, this fall we began to publish a new periodical called *Soviet Refugee Monitor* (the title quickly became obsolete) as part of our larger early warning thrust to pinpoint emerging areas of refugee flows. We also began plans for an initial publication of *China Refugee Monitor* and planning for an *African Refugee Monitor*. The proliferation of publications was just too difficult to manage and we decided to incorporate them all into *Refuge* as an expanded, more frequent (effectively monthly) publication.

We have set up editorial advisory boards to oversee the special issues dealing with the various areas; each area of the world or problem area will have a guest editor. With this issue, we will also be mailing (as a free gift and part of your old subscription) a copy of Soviet Refugee Monitor.

Of course, we have had to raise our subscription rates. But for only double the price you will be receiving two and one half times more copies of the magazine - ten instead of four. We will also be able to keep you more current. Our next special issue for June will deal with environmental refugees.

We retain our policy of trying to bring to the attention of the wider community the results of academic research in the refugee field. We trust you will continue to learn and benefit from our expanded program of publications for *Refuge* and will renew your subscription from the summer of 1992.

Howard Adelman

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### Letter to the Editor:

I just received the March 1992 issue of *Refuge* on African Refugees. I am delighted with it, and especially with the emphasis upon Africa.

I have just returned from visiting refugee camps in Kenya. The trip was organized by Church World Service which staffs the Joint Voluntary Agency Office in Nairobi. We visited camps with mixed ethnicity and those with only Somali refugees. Since we left, the influx of Somalis has continued and increased unabated as you undoubtedly know.

Your issue is timely, thoughtful, and important. Thanks for the good work.

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### CALL FOR PAPERS

SPECIAL ISSUE ON

# SOMALI CRISIS

The Centre for Refugee Studies intends to publish a special issue of its periodical *Refuge* on the Somali crisis.

The issue will primarily be dealing with the following topics:

- the roots and causes of the present crisis
- the country's disintegration and the mass exodus of refugees
- the refugee situation and support of the international community
- an assessment of the present situation of the Somali people inside and outside

Papers are now being invited on these issues, but other areas could be also considered.

### Procedure and Deadline:

A 200-word abstract should be sent to the editor by end of May '92 and the deadline for submission is June 30, 1992.

The paper length may not exceed 15 pages (double spaced).

Please send two copies of each paper. Submissions may also be sent on disc or by E-mail.

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