

3. The extent to which many of the women's concerns are in fact family issues should be emphasised. Their efforts to develop more effective strategies to cope with their experiences should be supported. This will result in increased benefit to them and their children. The women should not be expected to respond alone to the implications for intervention from the assessment. In this regard it is important also that the men are not alienated by falling into the trap of "beating" them with the assessment results.
4. The process of the Focus Group Discussion, the questionnaire survey, and the feedback of the survey results has enhanced the development of the women's groups and activities. This momentum should be used to initiate more self-help groups and further promote women's participation in the camp decision making.
5. The networks of women that were established during the focus group discussions should be maintained and supported as sources of assistance and information. They have provided much needed medium through which the women have been able to express their concerns in a constructive manner.
6. The women's anxieties about repatriation should and can be addressed by providing them with information from sources that they trust. The women themselves with the assistance of agencies working in the camps are best placed to determine these "reliable" sources, and to ensure that the information is widely disseminated and available for discussion. ■

Notes

1. Report prepared by: Community and Family Service International, Hong Kong, and International Catholic Child Bureau, Geneva. For a complete version of the report, contact Dr. Maryanne Loughry, CFSI, MCC - P.O. Box 2733, Makati, Metro Manila, Philippines.
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| Immigration and Refugee Board Convention Refugee Determination Division Claims Process Period: January 1, 1993 - June 30, 1993 | | | | | | | |
|--|----------|--------|--------|---------|----------|-------|----------|
| Regional Summary | | | | | | | |
| | Atlantic | Ottawa | Quebec | Ontario | Prairies | B.C. | National |
| Claims heard to completion (includes cases before 1993) | 232 | 577 | 4,311 | 7,853 | 266 | 617 | 13,856 |
| Decisions rendered | 193 | 574 | 4,241 | 7,312 | 285 | 640 | 13,245 |
| Claims rejected | 82 | 127 | 1,924 | 2,954 | 106 | 445 | 5,638 |
| Claims upheld | 111 | 447 | 2,317 | 4,358 | 179 | 195 | 7,607 |
| Decisions pending* | 46 | 134 | 639 | 2,000 | 25 | 151 | 2,995 |
| Withdrawn/abandoned | 10 | 42 | 509 | 1,212 | 19 | 136 | 1,928 |
| Claims pending** | 550 | 1,171 | 5,548 | 12,973 | 294 | 1,845 | 22,381 |
| (—Regional share | 2% | 5% | 25% | 58% | 1% | 8% | |

* Decisions pending include all claims heard to completion for which no decision has been rendered by the end of the reporting period.

** Claims pending include all claims referred to the Convention Refugee Determination Division that have not been finalized (i.e. by a positive or negative decision or by withdrawal or abandonment) as of the end of the reporting period.

| Statistical Summary by Major Source Countries | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------|---------------------------|-------|---------------|
| Country | — | Claims | — | Convention Refugee Status | | |
| of Alleged Persecution | Heard to Completion | Withdrawn/Abandoned | Decided | Yes | No | Accept. Rate% |
| 1 Sri Lanka | 2,548 | 85 | 2,413 | 1,944 | 469 | 80.6 |
| 2 Somalia | 1,559 | 64 | 1,565 | 1,516 | 49 | 96.9 |
| 3 Pakistan | 695 | 148 | 607 | 200 | 401 | 33.3 |
| 4 Iran | 611 | 54 | 555 | 595 | 160 | 71.2 |
| 5 Lebanon | 496 | 69 | 489 | 176 | 313 | 36.0 |
| 6 China | 443 | 49 | 556 | 103 | 453 | 18.5 |
| 7 India | 448 | 94 | 438 | 111 | 327 | 25.3 |
| 8 Russia | 389 | 48 | 320 | 213 | 107 | 66.6 |
| 9 Israel | 379 | 106 | 235 | 77 | 158 | 32.8 |
| 10 El Salvador | 354 | 64 | 418 | 87 | 331 | 20.8 |
| 11 USSR | 347 | 121 | 317 | 150 | 167 | 47.3 |
| 12 Peru | 314 | 13 | 294 | 220 | 74 | 74.8 |
| 13 Guatemala | 313 | 67 | 331 | 185 | 146 | 55.9 |
| 14 Romania | 305 | 25 | 275 | 140 | 135 | 50.9 |
| 15 Haiti | 269 | 13 | 274 | 199 | 95 | 65.3 |
| 16 Ghana | 258 | 134 | 258 | 38 | 220 | 14.7 |
| 17 Bangladesh | 241 | 35 | 237 | 101 | 136 | 42.6 |
| 18 Zaire | 223 | 8 | 240 | 142 | 98 | 59.2 |
| 19 Nigeria | 207 | 49 | 201 | 38 | 163 | 18.9 |
| 20 Sudan | 204 | 4 | 206 | 194 | 12 | 94.2 |
| 21 Ukraine | 186 | 25 | 156 | 103 | 53 | 66.0 |
| 22 Argentina | 170 | 53 | 140 | 26 | 114 | 18.6 |
| 23 Cuba | 166 | 20 | 135 | 101 | 34 | 74.8 |
| 24 Uruguay | 135 | 33 | 149 | 13 | 136 | 8.7 |
| 25 Ethiopia | 133 | 6 | 132 | 79 | 53 | 59.8 |
| Top-25 countries | 11,360 | 1,387 | 10,235 | 6,531 | 4,404 | 89.7 |
| Total | 13,956 | 1,928 | 13,245 | 7,507 | 5,638 | 87.4 |

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