



EMN Ad-Hoc Query on COM REG AHQ on Undesirable and Unreturnable Migrants

Requested by Salvatore SOFIA on 4th October 2016

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Responses from Blocked / Unknown, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Norway (19 in total)

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Background information:

During the 11th EMN REG meeting on 16th September 2016, a presentation was provided by the Refugee Law Initiative in cooperation with the Centre for International Criminal Justice, during which they presented the results of their recently completed research on “Undesirable and Unreturnable Migrants” (UBUs). In their research UBUs concerned excluded asylum seekers and other migrants suspected of serious criminality who cannot be removed. The Study included the EU Member States, but also North America, Australia, Brazil, and India.

The results indicated that the group of UBUs is highly diverse, whilst at the same time governmental policies in response to UBUs are also highly diverse. It was emphasised that the lack of harmonisation of approaches may negatively affect not only the individuals concerned (e.g. protracted limbo situation/ social, economic, physical and psychological consequences) but also the governments (e.g. they may be criticised for hosting ‘criminals’).

Following the presentation, a discussion ensued amongst REG Practitioners about their specific approaches to UBUs and an interest was expressed to further explore this issue by means of an Ad-Hoc Query.


Against this background, the European Commission would like to collect more information on the scale of the problem (i.e. the volume of excluded asylum seekers and/or other migrants suspected of serious criminality) as well as approaches/practices of EU Member States in dealing with this category of migrants, identifying the challenges involved and any good practices.












The results of this Ad-Hoc Query will be discussed during the next REG Meeting scheduled to take place on November 16th 2016.






Questions

1. Due to the presence of questions with several tables and lists, please reply directly in the attached word document and upload your reply as 'supporting document'.

Responses

	Country	Wider Dissemination	Response
	Blocked / Unknown	Yes	1. supporting document
	Croatia	Yes	1. Please refer to an attached document.

	Czech Republic	No	
	Estonia	Yes	1. Word Document uploaded
	Finland	No	
	France	No	
	Germany	Yes	1. No statements can be made on this specific case group.
	Latvia	Yes	1. See the attached file.
	Lithuania	No	
	Malta	Yes	1. Supporting Document attached
	Netherlands	Yes	1. Reply added
	Poland	Yes	1. In the attachment
	Portugal	Yes	1. Supporting document.
	Slovak Republic	No	

	Slovenia	No	
	Sweden	Yes	1. Please see the supporting document
	Switzerland	No	
	United Kingdom	Yes	1. The UK's response is in the attached document. Kind regards Susie Macpherson
	Norway	Yes	1. The requested information is not readily available.