EUROPEAN REFUGEE SITUATION: SERBIA

MAIN DEVELOPMENTS AND RESPONSE OF UNHCR PROGRAM FIRST HALF OF 2017

UNHCR RESPONSE AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH





Refugee Agency

Information, identification and referrals of Persons with Specific Needs (PSN):

- More than 75,700 translation services provided, mainly for authorities
- Some 35,000 refugees, asylum seekers and migrants provided with information
- Over **7,600** protection interviews conducted
- Over 4,200 persons entered in the UNHCR Global proGres database
- Over 1,500 PSN identified and referred to appropriate services, including 25 cases of gender based violence

Unaccompanied and Separated Children (UASC):

- Some 1,300 UASC identified and referred to child welfare services
- Over 900 children, incl. some 500 UASC, received psychological assessment and counselling
- Over 120 Best Interest Assessments by Child Welfare Services supported

Resettlement:

- 11 refugees were resettled (Thanks to France, Sweden, Norway and Australia)
- 5 more refugees have been accepted for resettlement, awaiting departure

Asylum:

- Over **8,500** refugees, asylum seekers and migrants received asylum/legal counseling
- Close to 1,000 asylum seekers assisted with registration and transported to government shelters
- Over 270 monitoring visits to Asylum Centres
- Regular monitoring visits to over 30 sites including border areas
- **177** asylum seekers gave power of attorney for representation in asylum procedures
- 81 asylum seekers represented in asylum procedures
- 4 refugees successfully supported in securing (temporary) employment
- 1 appeal before the Constitutional Court supported

Education

- Over 160 recreational workshops organized, mainly for children, including UASC
- Over **130** educational workshops for children organized
- **45** UASC assisted to attend public primary and secondary schools; **7** successfully completed the school year in June



- 500 additional long-term accommodation places secured through rehabilitation of Obrenovac Transit Centre
- Joint <u>assessment</u> of all 19 shelter sites in Serbia against applicable UN, EU and national reception standards regularly updated and posted online
- 33,000 clothing items (winter & summer), 13,000 baby diapers, 8,800 bottles of water, 4,500 hygiene packages, 4,300 pairs of footwear, 4,000 blankets, 3,300 sets of bed-linen and 460 bunk beds distributed



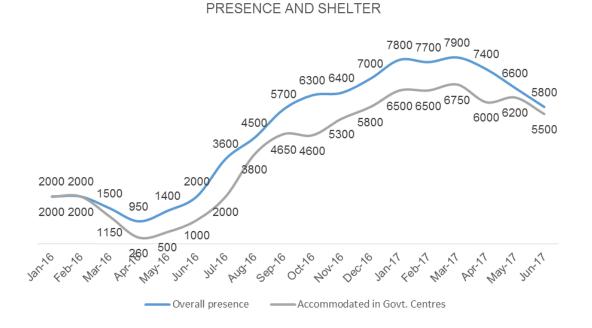
- Medical teams engaged in 10 government centres
- 66,000 medical services, including medications, to over 5,500 refugees, asylum seekers and migrants

Coordination Support

- Under the Refugee Coordination Model, UNHCR Serbia:
 - o co-chaired 15 UNCT Refugee and Migrants Theme Group meetings
 - o co-chaired **3 Partners Briefings** on Refugee and Migration Response
 - co-chaired **3 Refugee Protection Working Group**, as well as several more sectoral, Belgrade and other local coordination meetings
- Produced over 100 daily, weekly and monthly updates on the ERS in Serbia
- Compiled 6 Serbia Interagency Operational Updates
- Conducted 5 cross-border missions with neighbouring UNHCR operations in Croatia, Romania, Bulgaria and fYRo Macedonia

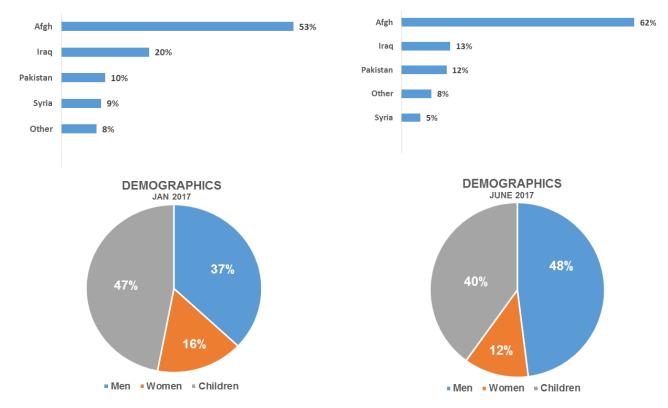


Presence and Profile of new Refugees, Asylum Seekers and Migrants



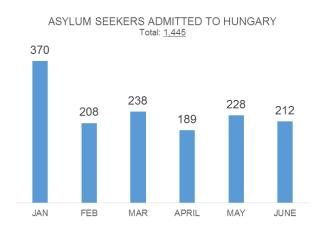
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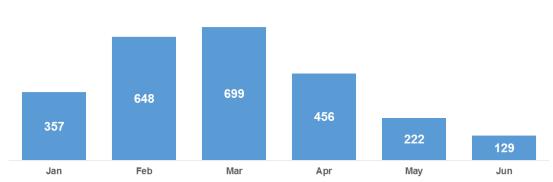


Presence and Departures – North Serbia

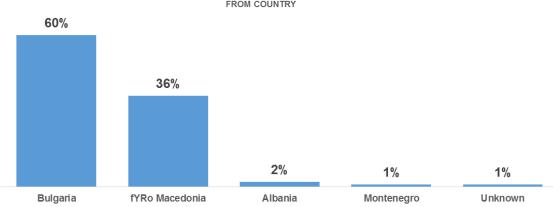




New Arrivals (as observed by UNHCR and partners)



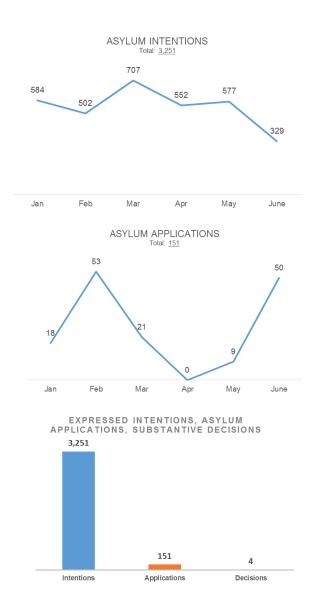
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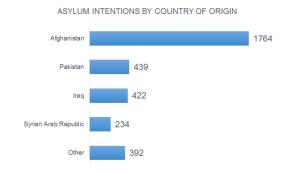


OBSERVED NEW ARRIVALS FROM COUNTRY

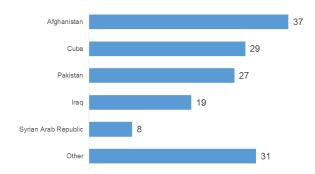
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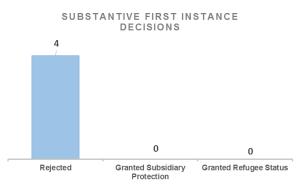




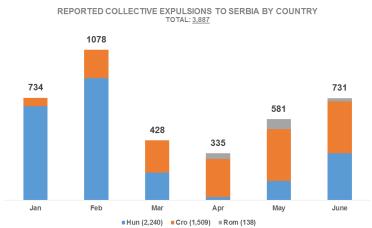


ASYLUM APPLICATIONS BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN





Collective Expulsions



PUSHBACKS FROM SERBIA AS OBSERVED IN TYRo MACEDONIA Total: <u>1.356</u> 225 120 Jan Feb Mar Apr May June

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