



Ad-Hoc Query on Unescorted Forced Removals

Requested by BE EMN NCP on 21st May 2013

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Responses from Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Estonia, Finland, France, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom (18 in Total)

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1. Background Information

Based on the coalition agreement, the Belgian government is putting particular emphasis on return, preferably on a voluntary basis but coercively if necessary. In the context of forced return, the aim is to avoid, as far as possible, the use of coercion during the removal operation. To this end, the person to be returned must be convinced to leave without resistance and thus without coercion (escort). Should too much resistance being shown or feared, a **law enforcement/police escort operation** can take place.

In Belgium, a lot of efforts are invested in removing obstacles to allow the person to leave “without problems”. Nevertheless it is being examined how to further improve this process, lifting further barriers explaining why people do not leave without resistance. In this perspective, Belgium is highly interested in **identifying Member States which achieve better success in implementing removals without escorts and in examining their best practices in this field.**

Belgium is concretely looking for the following information:



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1. Are there any **figures available on the ratio “successful removals with / without escort”**? If so, please provide such figures for the last three years, if possible with a further breakdown by nationality (or country of destination?).
2. Are there **figures available on the ratio “forced return / voluntary return”**?
3. Do you have **specific strategies, procedures, operations or best practices** which, in your view, help make the success rate of unescorted removals rise?

Due to the fact that a working group is planning to discuss this topic on 14 June 2013, we would be grateful to receive answers **by 12 June 2013**. Late responses are still welcome.

2. Responses

	Austria	No	This EMN NCP has provided a response to the requesting EMN NCP. However, they have requested that it is not disseminated further			
	Belgium	Yes	1.			
			2010			
			Nationality	without escorts	with escorts	TOTAL % escorts
			Morocco	106	155	261 59%
			Brazil	222	4	226 2%
			Albania	69	22	91 24%
			Ukraine	69	3	72 4%
			Turkey	44	27	71 38%
			Georgia	35	18	53 34%
			Kosovo	33	17	50 34%
			Serbia	36	13	49 27%
			Nigeria	13	23	36 64%
			Algeria	14	29	43 67%

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			TOTAL	1765	510	2275	22%
		2011					
		Nationality	without escorts	with escorts	TOTAL	% escorts	
		Albania	238	42	280	15%	
		Morocco	130	137	267	51%	
		Brazil	219	0	219	0%	
		Kosovo	81	88	169	52%	
		Serbia	74	48	122	39%	
		Turkey	65	25	90	28%	
		FYROM	57	22	79	28%	
		Armenia	45	29	74	39%	
		Nigeria	24	18	42	43%	
		Algeria	7	11	18	61%	
		TOTAL	1779	641	2420	26%	
		2012					
		Nationality	without escorts	with escorts	TOTAL	% escorts	
		Albania	323	92	415	22%	
		Morocco	160	160	320	50%	
		Brazil	141	4	145	3%	
		Turkey	88	37	125	30%	
		Kosovo	71	42	113	37%	
		Armenia	70	40	110	36%	
		Serbia	79	24	103	23%	
		Ukraine	78	2	80	2%	

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Nigeria	19	13	32	41%
Algeria	11	14	25	56%
TOTAL	1908	730	2638	28%

The total percentage of escorts is increasing in the last three years. For some countries, this percentage is clearly above average. In 2010, a total of 4706 forced removal attempts were organized (including Dublin and bilateral removals), of which 3270 were successful (69%), of which 774 were organized with escort (including JRO en national charter flights). In 2011, a total of 4531 forced removal attempts were organized (including Dublin and bilateral removals), of which 3379 were successful (73%), of which 827 were organized with escort (including JRO en national charter flights). In 2012, a total of 5129 forced removal attempts were organized (including Dublin and bilateral removals), of which 3571 were successful (70%), of which 932 were organized with escort (including JRO en national charter flights).

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Year	Forced Removals	Removals at border	Voluntary Return		% voluntary return	TOTAL
			without assistance	AVRR		
2010	3586	1863	131	2957	36%	8537
2011	3708	2735	512	3358	38%	10313
2012	3847	1895	962	4686	50%	11390

3. Different actions are undertaken, inter alia:

- **Promoting voluntary return:** The more we publicize voluntary return, the more the number of voluntary returnees increases;
- **Providing clear information:** It helps to always explain (in writing and/or verbally – in a language he/she understands) what the consequences of an order to leave the territory are, and what happens in case of non compliance (forced return, entry ban, ...);
- **Using a DVD:** Since 2007, a DVD presenting the different kinds of return (voluntary, forced return without escort, forced return with escort, special flight), is shown (in +/- 20 different languages) to all detained returnees to make clear that a forced return will take place if he/she refuses to go back voluntarily. This can help to convince some of the detainees to return without coercion.
- **Convincing to sign a declaration of voluntary departure:** We try to convince some persons to undersign a declaration of voluntary return (important for e.g. criminal detainees, who have to return after having passed their criminal sentence in prison → that declaration can help them to be granted an early release);
- **Reducing detention prior to removal:** We reduce detention time prior to removal thanks to pre-identification schemes (trying to obtain agreement on travel documents before detaining in order to remove);
- **Resorting to special flights:** We organize special flights as a deterrent (this can sometimes lead to a subsequent increase in voluntary returns towards the same country).

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	Bulgaria	No	This EMN NCP has provided a response to the requesting EMN NCP. However, they have requested that it is not disseminated further			
	Estonia	Yes	1.			
			2010			
			Nationality	with escorts	without escorts	Total
			Russian Federation	16	0	16
			Latvia	9	0	9
			Azerbaijan	1	0	1
			Armenia	2	0	2
			Ukraine	1	0	1
			Belarus	2	0	2
			Turkey	1	0	1
			Georgia	2	0	2
			Undefined citizenship	9	0	9
			Finland	3	0	3
			Lithuania	6	0	6
			Sweden	1	0	1
			Italy	1	0	1
			Afghanistan	2	0	2
			Rumania	1	0	1
			India	1	0	1
			Iraq	1	0	1
			Syria	4	0	4
			Brazil	1	0	1
			United Kingdom	2	0	2
			Total	66	0	66
			2011	with	without	Total

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		Nationality	escorts	escorts	
		Russian Federation	29	0	29
		Latvia	7	0	7
		Azerbaijan	2	0	2
		Armenia	5	0	5
		Ukraine	5	0	5
		Belarus	4	0	4
		Kazakhstan	1	0	1
		Cameroon	1	0	1
		Georgia	14	0	14
		Uzbekistan	1	0	1
		Undefined citizenship	10	0	10
		Finland	4	0	4
		Lithuania	6	0	6
		China	4	0	4
		Malaysia	1	0	1
		The occupied Palestinian territory	1	0	1
		Afghanistan	5	0	5
		Poland	2	0	2
		Germany	1	0	1
		Algeria	4	0	4
		Tanzania	2	0	2
		Iraq	1	0	1
		Slovakia	1	0	1
		Total	111	0	111
		2012	with	without	Total

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Georgia	11	0	11
Kyrgyzstan	3	0	3
Undefined citizenship	9	0	9
Somalia	1	0	1
Nepal	2	0	2
Finland	6	0	6
Lithuania	12	0	12
Sweden	1	0	1
USA/Canada	1	0	1
Egypt	2	0	2
China	2	0	2
Rumania	5	0	5
Poland	1	0	1
Syria	6	0	6
Algeria	2	0	2
Vietnam	15	0	15
Pakistan	5	0	5
Israel	1	0	1
Tajikistan	1	0	1
Kosovo	1	0	1


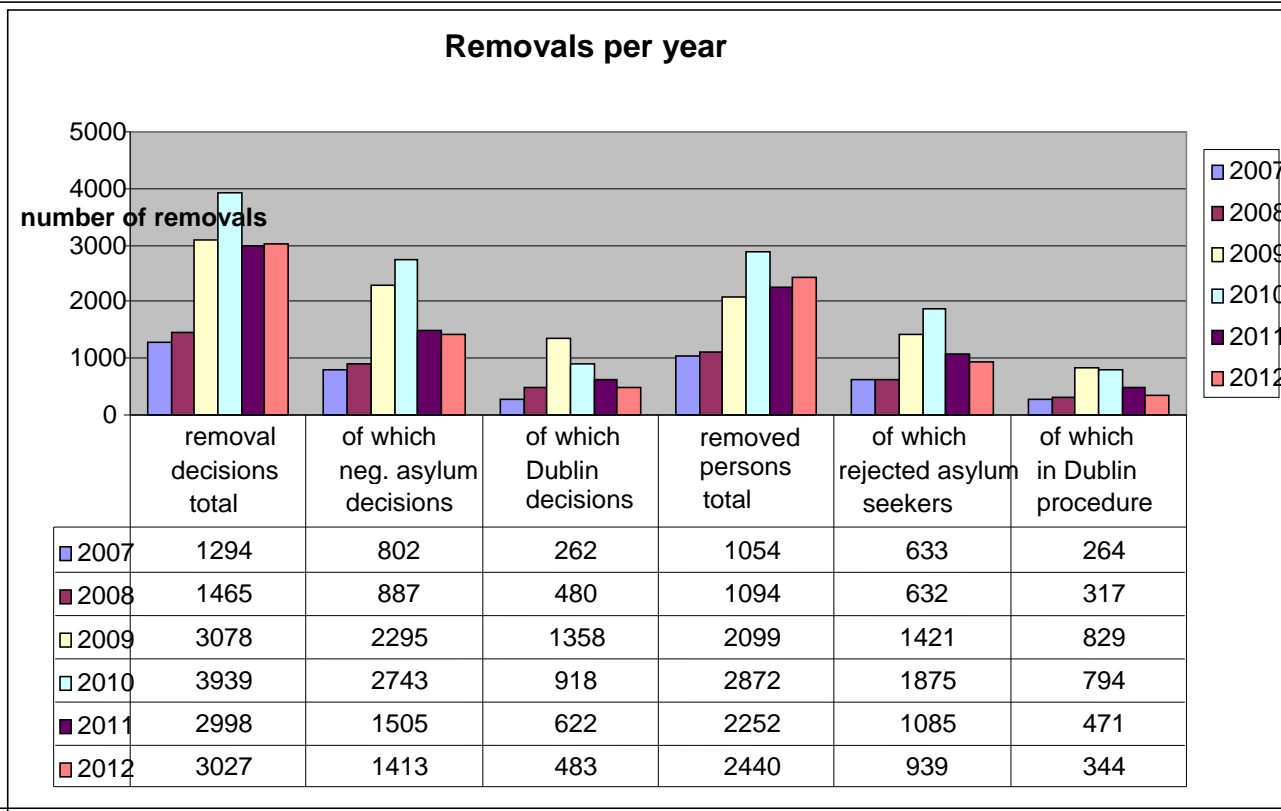

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			Indonesia	1	0	1			
			Albania	1	0	1			
			Total	155	0	155			
			Only forced returns, removals at the border not included. Dublin cases not included.						
			2.						
			Year	Forced Removals	Removals at border	Voluntary Return		% voluntary	
						without assistance	VARRE	return	TOTAL
			2010	66	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
			2011	111	264	70	8	17%	453
			2012	155	264	59	29	17%	507
			Total	332	528	129	37	16%	1063
			VARRE - Voluntary Assisted Return and Reintegration Programme from Estonia						
			3. In practice decision to use or not to use escort is case-based and will be made on the basis of risk analysis (absconding, violence etc. are taken into account).						


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	Italy	Yes	<p>1. From 1st January 2013 to 30th September 2013 (latest data available), 5,943 irregular migrants were returned as part of forced return measures whereas 1,424 returned voluntarily.</p> <p>2. For an exhaustive overview on total assisted migrants concerning AVR please refer to the following table published on EMN Italy Annual Policy Report 2012:</p> <p>Assisted Voluntary Returns. Total assisted migrants (June 2009 - June 2012)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Project</th> <th>Responsible body</th> <th>Period</th> <th>With support for reintegration</th> <th>Without support for reintegration</th> <th>Total</th> <th>Incidence of those with support on the total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>PARTIR I</td> <td>Oim</td> <td>June 2009-March 2010</td> <td>176</td> <td>52</td> <td>228</td> <td>77.2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>PARTIR II</td> <td>Oim</td> <td>August2010-March 2011</td> <td>139</td> <td>69</td> <td>208</td> <td>66.8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ODISSEO I</td> <td>Virtus Italia</td> <td>August2010-March 2011</td> <td>6</td> <td>0</td> <td>6</td> <td>100.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>RIVAN I</td> <td>Oim</td> <td>August2010-March 2011</td> <td>0</td> <td>50</td> <td>50</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>PARIVUL</td> <td>Oim</td> <td>August2010-March 2011</td> <td>80</td> <td>80</td> <td>80</td> <td>100.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>PARTIR III</td> <td>Oim</td> <td>August2011-June 2012</td> <td>128</td> <td>72</td> <td>200</td> <td>64.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>PARTIR III bis</td> <td>Oim</td> <td>August2011-June 2012</td> <td>116</td> <td>34</td> <td>150</td> <td>77.3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>PARTIR III ter</td> <td>Oim</td> <td>August2011-June 2012</td> <td>76</td> <td>42</td> <td>118</td> <td>64.4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ODISSEO II</td> <td>Virtus Italia</td> <td>August2011-June 2012</td> <td>8</td> <td>0</td> <td>8</td> <td>100.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>RIVAN II</td> <td>Oim</td> <td>August2011-June 2012</td> <td>0</td> <td>100</td> <td>100</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>REMPLOY, mod. 2</td> <td>Oim</td> <td>August2011-June 2012</td> <td>71</td> <td>29</td> <td>100</td> <td>71.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>REMIDA, mod. 2</td> <td>Cefa</td> <td>August2011-June 2012</td> <td>28</td> <td>0</td> <td>28</td> <td>100.0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Programme North Africa</td> <td>Civic Protection</td> <td>September 2011-December 2012</td> <td>0</td> <td>94</td> <td>94</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>Various</td> <td>June 2009-June 2012</td> <td>828</td> <td>622</td> <td>1.370</td> <td>60.4</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>SOURCE: European Migration Network Italy. Elaboration of IOM data</i></p> <p>National strategies tend to focus on the enhancement of AVR Programs, also thanks to the operational support provided by the Italian Network for Assisted Voluntary Returns (RIRVA). The “Guidelines for the implementation of voluntary and assisted return programmes” were adopted in Ministry of Interior Decree dated 27 October 2011. The decree sets out guidelines for the implementation of such programmes, the admission criteria, as well as the criteria for identifying organisations, institutions and associations to manage them.</p>	Project	Responsible body	Period	With support for reintegration	Without support for reintegration	Total	Incidence of those with support on the total	PARTIR I	Oim	June 2009-March 2010	176	52	228	77.2	PARTIR II	Oim	August2010-March 2011	139	69	208	66.8	ODISSEO I	Virtus Italia	August2010-March 2011	6	0	6	100.0	RIVAN I	Oim	August2010-March 2011	0	50	50	-	PARIVUL	Oim	August2010-March 2011	80	80	80	100.0	PARTIR III	Oim	August2011-June 2012	128	72	200	64.0	PARTIR III bis	Oim	August2011-June 2012	116	34	150	77.3	PARTIR III ter	Oim	August2011-June 2012	76	42	118	64.4	ODISSEO II	Virtus Italia	August2011-June 2012	8	0	8	100.0	RIVAN II	Oim	August2011-June 2012	0	100	100	-	REMPLOY, mod. 2	Oim	August2011-June 2012	71	29	100	71.0	REMIDA, mod. 2	Cefa	August2011-June 2012	28	0	28	100.0	Programme North Africa	Civic Protection	September 2011-December 2012	0	94	94	-	Total	Various	June 2009-June 2012	828	622	1.370	60.4
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	Latvia	Yes	<p>1. Number of successful removals (forced return) with escort: 2010 – 94, 2011 – 54, 2012 – 57.</p> <p>Number of successful removals without escort: 2010 – 104, 2011 – 1004,</p>																																																																																																									

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			<p>2012 – 2010.</p> <p>2.Forced return cases: 2010 – 94, 2011 – 54, 2012 – 57.</p> <p>Voluntary return cases: 2010 – 104 (16 cases- AVRR), 2011 – 1004 (73 cases- AVRR), 2012 – 2010 (105 cases- AVRR).</p> <p>3.The Cabinet of Ministers “Regulations Regarding Forced Return of Foreigners, Standard Travel Document and the Issue Thereof” adopted on 21 June 2011 prescribes the procedures for forced return of a foreigner. Article 11 foresees that Forced return of the foreigner may be implemented by escorting the foreigner to: 11.1. the border crossing point of the Republic of Latvia; 11.2. the border crossing point of the transit country on the removal route; 11.3. the border crossing point of the country of destination; 11.4. the place of residence of the foreigner or a specialised institution in the country of destination. The condition referred to in this Sub-paragraph may only be applied to vulnerable persons.</p> <p>Article 12 provides the following: When taking a decision on escorting the foreigner to the place referred to in Paragraph 11 of this Regulation, the following conditions shall be evaluated: 12.1. the state of health of the foreigner; 12.2. the psychological traits and risk of absconding of the foreigner; 12.3. the availability of direct flights; 12.4. the consent of the transit country on the removal route to implement the forced return through the territory of the country in question; 12.5. the conditions for participation in the joint return operation to be organised by a European Union Member State; 12.6. the need to hand over the vulnerable person to a family member, legal representative or the representative of a specialised institution.</p>
	<p>Lithuania</p>	<p align="center">Yes</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The figures are not available. 2. For 2012: forced return – 236, voluntary return – 1380, assisted voluntary return (IOM) – 65. 3. N/A

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Luxembourg	Yes	2010					
		Returns (persons) in 2010					
		Nationality	forced	after rétention	voluntary	Total returns	with assistance of the OIM
	with escort (1)	without escort (2)	without escort (3)	(1) + (2) + (3)			
		Albania	0	3	1	4	2
		Algeria	0	5	1	6	3
		Afghanistan	0	0	4	4	4
		Belarus	0	2	6	8	6
		Bosnia/H	0	3	2	5	2
		Brazil	0	3	11	14	6
		Cape-Verde	1	5	0	6	3
		China	0	1	5	6	6
		Congo (R.D.)	1	0	0	1	0
		Croatia	1	3	0	4	0
		Gambia	1	1	1	3	1
		Guinea(Conakry)	2	2	0	4	0
		Iran	0	0	2	2	2
		Kosovo	35	3	51	89	53
		Malaysia	0	1	0	1	0
		Mali	1	0	0	1	0
		Morocco	0	4	0	4	1

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			Moldavia	4	0	0	4	0
			Montenegro	0	1	9	10	9
			Nigeria	9	1	0	10	0
			Panama	0	0	1	1	0
			Russia (Fed.)	0	0	2	2	2
			Serbia	4	3	3	10	3
			Tanzania	0	1	0	1	0
			Tunisia	0	2	0	2	0
			TOTAL	59	44	99	202	103
			2011					
			Returns in 2011					
			Nationality	Forced	After detention	Voluntary returns	Total returns	with assistance of the OIM
				with escort(1)	without escort (2)	without escort (3)	(1) +(2) + (3)	Total
			Afghanistan		1	0	1	1
			Albania	0	5	2	7	2
			Algeria	0	2	1	3	1
			Australia	0	0	1	1	1
			Bangladesh	0	0	1	1	1
			Belarus	0	2	5	7	5

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		Bosnia and Herzegovina	3	1	8	12	1
		Brazil	0	3	8	11	3
		Bulgaria	0	0	2	2	0
		Bulgaria	0	0	1	1	0
		Cape Verde	2	3	0	5	1
		China	0	0	10	10	10
		Côte d'Ivoire	0	0	1	1	1
		Ethiopia	0	0	1	1	1
		FYROM (Macedonia)	0	3	62	65	2
		Gambia	0	1	0	1	1
		Guinea	1	1	0	2	1
		Iraq	0	1	0	1	1
		Kirghizstan	0	1	2	3	3
		Kosovo	12	2	58	72	56
		Mexico	1	0	2	3	2
		Moldavia	0	1	2	3	1
		Montenegro	1	0	5	6	0
		Morocco	1	0	0	1	0
		Nigeria	3	0	0	3	0
		Paraguay	0	1	0	1	0
		Russia	0	0	1	1	0
		Serbia	0	2	348	350	1
		Sudan	0	0	1	1	1
		Tunisia	2	3	2	7	2

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TOTAL		26	33	524	583	99
2012						
Returns in 2012						
Country	Forced returns with escort	Voluntary returns	Total returns	with assistance of IOM		
		without escort (2)	(1) +(2)			
Albania	13	188	201	0		
Algeria	0	1	1	1		
Macedonia	15	310	325	0		
Belorus	1	5	6	4		
Bosnia-Herzegovina	1	71	72	0		
Brazil	2	10	12	4		
Cameroon	1	0	1	0		
Cape Verde	1	2	3	1		
China	0	2	2	2		
Colombia	1	0	1	0		
Croatia	2	0	2	0		
Georgia	0	1	1	1		
Guinea (Conakry)	3	1	4	1		
Iran	0	2	2	1		
Iraq	0	6	6	6		
Jordania	0	1	1	1		

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Kazakhstan	0	1	1	1
Kenya	1	0	1	0
Kirghizstan	0	1	1	1
Kosovo	15	64	79	57
Morocco	1	1	2	1
Moldavia	0	1	1	1
Montenegro	26	152	178	0
Nepal	0	1	1	1
Nigeria	3	0	3	0
Russia	1	3	4	3
Senegal	0	1	1	1
Serbia	52	732	784	1
Sudan	0	1	1	1
Togo	0	1	1	1
Tunisia	1	0	1	0
Turkey	0	3	3	2
Ukraine	2	0	2	0
USA	0	1	1	1
Total	142	1563	1705	94

2.

Year	Forced Removals With escorts (1)	Returns without escorts		% returns without escorts	TOTAL
		voluntary returns and after retention (2)	AVRR		

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					(voluntary)		
		2010	59	143	103	71%	202
		2011	26	557	99	96%	583
		2012	142	1563	94	92%	1705
<p>The above data is related only to returns of third country nationals to their country of origin (or where they come from). Dublin transfers are excluded.</p> <p>The part of forced returns has strongly decreased since 2011.</p> <p>The nationals from Serbia, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, who had filed their international protection application after the 31/12/2009 and the nationals from Bosnia-Herzegovina and Albania who had filed their international protection application after the 31/12/2010 are excluded from the AVRR program. For these people the Directorate of Immigration organizes and finances weekly voluntary returns in collaboration with a Luxemburgish bus company.</p> <p>3.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Since the transposition of the “Returns directive” in 2011, Luxembourg introduced important legislative changes for example on voluntary return. The law grants the person 30 days to leave the country voluntarily and if he/she cannot do it this deadline can be extended. Also, the concerned person can participate in an assisted voluntary return scheme. b. Since 2010, detainees can also opt for voluntary return and benefit from IOM assistance. c. The information on the voluntary return is achieved through a variety of channels. An information brochure in 10 languages is available at the Ministry of Immigration, at OLAI, at the bar association, in diverse associations in contact with the international protection seeker’s or TCN. The international protection seeker is informed as soon as he/she lodges an application and if he/she gets a negative answer to his demand. The individuals retained at the Retention Centre get the information as soon as they arrive at the Centre. Briefings are organized in non-profit organizations and regularly take place in shelters for applicants for international protection. 							
	Netherlands	Yes	2010				
			Nationality	without escorts	with escorts*	TOTAL	% escorts

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		Albania	60	5	70	10%
		Algeria	30	35	65	54%
		Brazil	85	5	90	4%
		Armenia	30	10	35	22%
		Georgia	175	35	210	17%
		Kosovo	10	5	15	20%
		Nigeria	170	45	210	21%
		Ukraine	120	10	130	7%
		Serbia	35	5	40	17%
		Serbia and Montenegro		<5	<5	100%
		Morocco	175	120	295	40%
		Turkey	215	55	270	21%
		Total 2010	1.105	330	1.435	23%
		2011				
		Nationality	without escorts	with escorts*	TOTAL	% escorts
		Albania	80	10	90	10%
		Algeria	15	10	25	40%
		Brazil	30	5	35	9%
		Armenia	25	25	50	48%
		Georgia	85	35	120	29%
		Kosovo	15	5	15	19%
		Nigeria	135	35	170	20%

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			Ukraine	85	5	95	8%
			Serbia	35	15	50	33%
			Serbia and Montenegro	5	5	5	50%
			Morocco	95	70	165	43%
			Turkey	125	40	165	24%
			Total 2011	730	255	980	26%
			2012				
			Nationality	without escorts	with escorts*	TOTAL	% escorts
			Albania	150	5	155	4%
			Algeria	20	25	45	53%
			Brazil	45	5	50	8%
			Armenia	25	65	90	73%
			Georgia	85	30	115	28%
			Kosovo	10	5	15	43%
			Nigeria	45	60	105	58%
			Ukraine	85	15	100	14%
			Serbia	40	15	55	24%
			Serbia and Montenegro	10	5	10	25%
			Morocco	135	90	220	40%
			Turkey	115	25	140	17%
			Total 2012	760	340	1.100	31%
			Source: DT&V				
			*Removals via land to Belgium and Germany are counted under "with				


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			<p>escorts”.</p> <p>The total percentage of escorts is increasing in the last three years. For some countries, this percentage is clearly above average. In 2010, a total of 4.380 forced removal were carried out, 1.080 (25%) were organized with escort (including JRO en national charter flights). In 2011, a total of 3.440 forced removal were carried out, 1.040 (30%) were organized with escort (including JRO en national charter flights). In 2012, a total of 3.590 forced removal were carried out, 1.210 (34%) were organized with escort (including JRO en national charter flights).</p> <p>The above mentioned data considers forced removals from de caseload of the DT&V. Forced removals are carried out by the border police (KMAR). Because of registration issues the numbers won't match with the set of data mentioned below.</p> <p>Source: DT&V</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Year</th> <th rowspan="2">Forced Removals</th> <th rowspan="2">Removals at border</th> <th colspan="2">Voluntary Return</th> <th rowspan="2">% voluntary return</th> <th rowspan="2">TOTAL</th> </tr> <tr> <th>without assistance</th> <th>AVRR</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2010</td> <td>5040</td> <td>2990</td> <td>690</td> <td>3060</td> <td>32%</td> <td>11.780</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2011</td> <td>3370</td> <td>3260</td> <td>690</td> <td>3470</td> <td>39%</td> <td>10.790</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2012</td> <td>3490</td> <td>2480</td> <td>1210</td> <td>2910</td> <td>41%</td> <td>10.090</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Source: KMI</p> <p>3.</p> <p>Generally speaking, foreign nationals leave the Netherlands without supervision. If there are indications that the individual in question might resist deportation, the DT&V will request the Royal Netherlands Military Constabulary to escort the individual during his or her trip out of the Netherlands.</p> <p>The DT&V works on the basis of case management. DT&V staff always take an individually-oriented approach. An assessment of the possibilities and conditions for departure is made for each individual. This means that the DT&V always provides tailor-made solutions. Through personal contact with the foreign national and consultation with the chain partners, staff assess how the – preferably voluntary – departure can best be arranged. Through personal contact with the foreign national the DT&V staff tries to point out that the departure of the foreign national is a fact and that it's in his best interest to make the departure as normal as possible.</p>	Year	Forced Removals	Removals at border	Voluntary Return		% voluntary return	TOTAL	without assistance	AVRR	2010	5040	2990	690	3060	32%	11.780	2011	3370	3260	690	3470	39%	10.790	2012	3490	2480	1210	2910	41%	10.090
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 Poland	Yes	1. The following tables include data on forced returns carried out by air:				
		2010				
		Country of citizenship	Total number of deportees (forced returns)	Total number of escorted deportees	% of DEPA (deportee accompanied)	
		Afghanistan	5	5	100%	
		Albania	4	1	25%	
		Armenia	22	8	36%	
		Bangladesh	2	0	0%	
		China	16	0	0%	
		Dominicana	2	0	0%	
		Egypt	2	0	0%	
		Ghana	1	1	100%	
		Georgia	238	229	96%	
		India	9	2	22%	
		Iran	3	1	33%	
		Jordania	1	0	0%	
		Canada	1	0	0%	
		North Korea	1	0	0%	
		Liban	2	0	0%	
		Libia	1	1	100%	
		Mali	1	1	100%	
		Morocco	1	1	100%	
Mexico	1	0	0%			
Moldova	4	2	50%			
Mongolia	10	1	10%			
Nepal	4	0	0%			
Nigeria	1	0	0%			
Pakistan	2	2	100%			
Russia	8	4	50%			
Romania	2	2	100%			
Senegal	1	0	0%			
Thailand	20	0	0%			
Taiwan	1	0	0%			

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			Tunisia	3	0	0%
			Turkey	17	1	6%
			Uzbekistan	5	0	0%
			Vietnam	34	0	0%
			TOTAL	425	262	62%
			2011			
			Country of citizenship	Total number of deportees (forced returns)	Total number of escorted deportees	% of DEPA (deportee accompanied)
			Albania	1	0	0%
			Algeria	2	1	50%
			Armenia	21	5	24%
			Azerbaijan	1	0	0%
			Bangladesh	1	0	0%
			China	29	0	0%
			Egypt	1	0	0%
			Gambia	1	1	100%
			Georgia	147	145	99%
			India	1	0	0%
			Iran	1	0	0%
			Israel	1	0	0%
			Cameroon	2	1	50%
			FYROM	1	0	0%
			Mexico	1	0	0%
			Moldova	3	0	0%
			Mongolia	6	0	0%
			Nepal	5	3	60%
			Nigeria	1	0	0%
			Paraguay	1	1	100%
			Russia	4	1	25%
			Romania	1	0	0%
			Somalia	1	0	0%
			Tunisia	2	1	50%
			Turkey	6	1	17%


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			Uganda	1	1	100%
			Uzbekistan	2	0	0%
			Vietnam	9	0	0%
			TOTAL	253	161	64%
			2012			
			Country of citizenship	Total number of deportees (forced returns)	Total number of escorted deportees	% of DEPA (deportee accompanied)
			Afghanistan	35	3	9%
			Albania	1	0	0%
			Armenia	12	1	8%
			Bangladesh	18	2	11%
			Belarus	1	0	0%
			Cameroon	2	2	100%
			China	3	0	0%
			DR Congo	5	3	60%
			Egypt	9	1	11%
			Georgia	139	56	40%
			Guinea	1	0	0%
			India	22	17	77%
			Iran	1	1	100%
			Iraq	1	1	100%
			Israel	1	0	0%
			Kazakhstan	2	0	0%
			Liban	3	0	0%
			Mali	1	0	0%
			Moldova	3	0	0%
			Mongolia	3	0	0%
			Morocco	2	0	0%
			Nepal	2	0	0%
			Nigeria	5	1	20%
			Pakistan	17	6	35%
			Russia	24	22	92%
			Stateless	1	0	0%


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			TOTAL	68	155	223	70 %		
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					Voluntary return		% voluntary return	TOTAL	
			Year	Forced return	Without assistance	AVR			
			2010	594	-	130		724	
			2011	389	1	95		485	
			2012	273	23	54		350	
			<p>Forced return – in this category the persons who have voluntarily left the Slovak Republic via the border crossing are not included, these are included in the category “voluntary return(without assistance)“. The category “forced return” includes also cases of readmission and verified departure in case the illegal stay was discovered at the border crossing when leaving the country.</p> <p>Voluntary return without assistance – these are the cases when the third country national voluntarily fulfilled his/her obligation to leave the Slovak Republic in the time period set in the decision on administrative expulsion (so called voluntary departure). There were no such cases in 2010.</p> <p>3. The Slovak Republic has no specific procedures in this regard. Much depends on the foreigner him/herself whether he/she wants to return and is cooperating or not in a constructive manner (very often this depends also on his/her health condition or on the airlines company if the police escort is requested. In case more than one foreigner is being returned the police escort has to be secured so the airline gives its consent.).</p>						
	Slovenia	Yes	<p>In year 2012 we issued 700 orders for voluntary return. We have evidence that 42 aliens have returned based on voluntary return orders. We have issued 113 return orders.</p> <p>Other statistical data and data breakdowns are not available.</p> <p>Success ratio of removals without escort varies a lot and it depends on aliens’ willingness to return. Approach in terms of assistance and clarifications of procedures enhances success ratio.</p>						

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 Spain	Yes	1.				
		2010				
		Nationality	without escorts	with escorts	TOTAL	% escorts
		MOROCCO	53	1869	1922	97,24%
		ALGERIA	2	1753	1755	99,89%
		BOLIVIA	892	109	1001	10,89%
		BRAZIL	805	102	907	11,25%
		NIGERIA	15	541	556	97,30%
		COLOMBIA	252	258	510	50,59%
		ECUADOR	259	190	449	42,32%
		PARAGUAY	375	39	414	9,42%
		SENEGAL	58	326	384	84,90%
		VENEZUELA	156	21	177	11,86%
		UKRAINE	114	61	175	34,86%
		ARGENTINA	128	33	161	20,50%
		TOTAL	3109	5302	8411	63,04%
		2011				
		Nationality	without escorts	with escorts	TOTAL	% escorts
		MOROCCO	37	2290	2327	98,41%
		ALGERIA	3	1683	1686	99,82%
BOLIVIA	762	102	864	11,81%		
BRAZIL	572	77	649	11,86%		
COLOMBIA	312	316	628	50,32%		
ECUADOR	297	179	476	37,61%		
NIGERIA	14	431	445	96,85%		
PARAGUAY	360	43	403	10,67%		

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SENEGAL	30	310	340	91,18%
VENEZUELA	161	23	184	12,50%
ARGENTINA	143	38	181	20,99%
DOMINICAN REP.	97	77	174	44,25%
TOTAL	2788	5569	8357	66,64%

2012				
Nationality	without escorts	with escorts	TOTAL	% escorts
MOROCCO	16	2243	2259	99,29%
ALGERIA	0	1433	1433	100,00%
COLOMBIA	305	278	583	47,68%
BOLIVIA	476	72	548	13,14%
ECUADOR	209	220	429	51,28%
BRAZIL	328	54	382	14,14%
PARAGUAY	282	26	308	8,44%
SENEGAL	35	238	273	87,18%
NIGERIA	17	228	245	93,06%
DOMINICAN REP.	91	69	160	43,13%
ROMANIA	110	47	157	29,94%
VENEZUELA	124	20	144	13,89%
TOTAL	1993	4928	6921	71,20%

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In 2012, a total of 17.253 forced removal attempts were organized (including Dublin and bilateral removals), of which 16.401 were successful, of which 5.831 were organized with escort (including JRO on national charter flights).

2.

2010		
Nationality	FORCED RETURN	VOLUNTARY RETURN
MOROCCO	1922	0
ALGERIA	1755	1
BOLIVIA	1001	505
BRAZIL	907	312
NIGERIA	556	2
COLOMBIA	510	495
ECUADOR	449	1483
PARAGUAY	414	156
SENEGAL	384	25
VENEZUELA	177	21
UKRAINE	175	19
ARGENTINA	161	568
TOTAL	8411	3587

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MOROCCO	2327	21
ALGERIA	1686	1

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BOLIVIA	864	471
BRAZIL	649	1397
COLOMBIA	628	3100
ECUADOR	476	8105
NIGERIA	445	6
PARAGUAY	403	771
SENEGAL	340	18
VENEZUELA	184	129
ARGENTINA	181	1987
DOMINICAN REP.	174	121
TOTAL	8357	16127

2012		
Nationality	FORCED RETURN	VOLUNTARY RETURN
MOROCCO	2259	20
ALGERIA	1433	3
COLOMBIA	583	1346
BOLIVIA	548	863
ECUADOR	429	2818
BRAZIL	382	642
PARAGUAY	308	532
SENEGAL	273	13
NIGERIA	245	7
DOMINICAN REP.	160	43
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TOTAL	6921	6372

3. No suggestion can be provided.

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			Ghana	856	96	952	10%	
			Malaysia	822	16	838	2%	
			Total	37302	3520	40822	9%	
			2011					
			Nationality	without escorts	with escorts	TOTAL	% escorts	
			India	7828	255	8083	3%	
			China	3091	141	3232	4%	
			Pakistan	4017	354	4371	8%	
			Brazil	1758	27	1785	2%	
			Nigeria	2365	179	2544	7%	
			Afghanistan	1421	78	1499	5%	
			Bangladeshi	1703	171	1874	9%	
			Vietnam	821	41	862	5%	
			Ghana	565	78	643	12%	
			Malaysia	549	15	564	3%	
			Total	37819	3118	40937	8%	
			2012					
			Nationality	without escorts	with escorts	TOTAL	% escorts	
			India	9341	269	9610	3%	
			China	3399	133	3532	4%	
			Pakistan	5244	242	5466	4%	
			Brazil	1001	17	1018	2%	
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Afghanistan	1056	86	1142	8%
Bangladeshi	1775	173	1948	9%
Vietnam	751	38	789	5%
Ghana	635	52	687	8%
Malaysia	433	17	450	4%
Total	41079	2984	44063	7%

The total percentage of escorts in the last three years has not changed and has remained below 10%.

1. Are there figures available on the ratio “forced return / voluntary return”?

The table below details the UK figures of removals and voluntary departures in the last three years. The figures include both asylum and non-asylum figures.

Year	Enforced Removals ¹	Refused entry at port and subsequently departed	Voluntary Return		% voluntary return
			without assistance	AVRR	
2010	14,854	18,276	22,572	4,541	45%
2011	15,063	15,700	23,299	3,120	46%
2012	14,435	13,529	25,092	3,699	51%

¹Figures include asylum and non-asylum removals

2. Do you have specific strategies, procedures, operations or best practices which, in your view, help make the success rate of unescorted removals rise?

We are striving to increase compliance and minimise the numbers of people who overstay.

We aim to persuade people to go at the earliest stage, with proactive contact in reporting centres and through local enforcement teams, as well increased activity in community third sector areas.

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			In addition we have recently put in place new arrangements with a third party supplier to maintain contact and dialogue with those we know are still in the UK without legitimate leave following a refusal to extend their stay here. Our supplier ensures those concerned are aware that they have overstayed their leave, that we know where they are, and that we will seek to remove them if they do not leave voluntarily or regularise their stay.
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