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**Date:** 12/9/2015 4:56:17 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Refugee Resettlement - Media Inquiry

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See below - we have a media request below. I will prepare a proposed response for review.

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**From:** Addison, Dorothy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 9, 2015 4:49 PM  
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**Subject:** FW:

Mr. Brown,

Your message is being forwarded to Ms. Karen Wingo, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs for our agency.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Brown, Dan [mailto:dbrown@aikenstandard.com]

Sent: Wednesday, December 9, 2015 4:32 PM

To: Addison, Dorothy <Dorothy.Addison@dss.sc.gov>

Subject:

My name is Dan Brown with the Aiken Standard in Aiken, SC and I'm doing a story on a resolution passed by Aiken County Council last night rejecting funding for the resettlement of Syrian refugees in Aiken County.

There has been a lot of rhetoric voiced over the last few weeks about this issue and I want to know if this resolution is legally binding, meaning does it hold sway or can the state relocate refugees here anyway?

My number is 843-499-3523, if you are free to discuss this.

Thank you.

Dan Brown  
Aiken Standard