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To: Pisarik, HollyHollyPisarik@gov.sc.gov  
Date: 3/17/2016 8:56:22 AM  
Subject: Fwd: refugees

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I can provide figures on refugees this fiscal year that are 0-17; and 18+.

Are you comfortable with that data being provided?

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Melanie Wiedel <[MelanieWiedel@scsenate.gov](mailto:MelanieWiedel@scsenate.gov)>  
Date: March 17, 2016 at 8:45:40 AM EDT  
To: "Wingo, Karen" <[Karen.Wingo@dss.sc.gov](mailto:Karen.Wingo@dss.sc.gov)>  
Cc: Deanne Gray <[DeanneGray@scsenate.gov](mailto:DeanneGray@scsenate.gov)>, Ken Harris <[KenHarris@scsenate.gov](mailto:KenHarris@scsenate.gov)>  
Subject: Re: refugees

Morning,

Is there any way to break down further to show age? Trying to see how many are kids and adults.

Thanks!

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On Mar 16, 2016, at 4:26 PM, Wingo, Karen <[Karen.Wingo@dss.sc.gov](mailto:Karen.Wingo@dss.sc.gov)> wrote:

Yes. Below is the breakdown on the countries of origin for the 84 refugees resettled in the state in this fiscal year through 2/29:

Belarus - 16 refugees  
Bhutan - 5 refugees  
Burma - 7 refugees  
Dem. Rep. of Congo - 37 refugees  
Eritrea - 3 refugees  
Iraq - 9 refugees  
Syria - 2 refugees  
Ukraine - 5 refugees

Please let me know if you have any other questions.

All the best,  
Karen

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On Mar 16, 2016, at 4:15 PM, Melanie Wiedel <[MelanieWiedel@scsenate.gov](mailto:MelanieWiedel@scsenate.gov)> wrote:

Hi Karen,

I have a follow-up question. Is there any way to get a break down of the nationality of the 84 refugees? Do you know how many cases they relate to?

Thanks,

Melanie

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From: Wingo, Karen [<mailto:Karen.Wingo@dss.sc.gov>]  
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 4:10 PM  
To: Melanie Wiedel <[MelanieWiedel@scsenate.gov](mailto:MelanieWiedel@scsenate.gov)>  
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According to our records and cross-referenced against records and information obtained from the federal government, two individuals of Syrian national origin have been resettled in South Carolina in the last 5+ years. In this fiscal year, through February 29th, 84 refugees were resettled in the state and two of those 84 refugees were of Syrian national origin. The 84 refugees that were resettled in this fiscal year through February 29th came from approximately 8 different countries.

Please let me know if you have any other questions.

All the best,  
Karen

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On Mar 16, 2016, at 4:06 PM, Melanie Wiedel <[MelanieWiedel@scsenate.gov](mailto:MelanieWiedel@scsenate.gov)> wrote:

Hey Karen,

Thanks for your assistance.

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