

## Refugee Legal Aid Project (RLAP)

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### Refugee Status Determination (RSD)

- Preparation workshops for *first instance* RSD interviews
- Assistance or advice on writing an *appeal to UNHCR for those rejected as a refugee*
- Assistance or advice on requests for *reopening* for those with closed UNHCR files

To *register* for an information session or to request assistance with an appeal, visit the RLAP office:

First instance RSD interview	Appealing an RSD rejection or requesting a reopening
At least one month before interview data, give the RLAP office manager: <i>Name</i> (as written on UNHCR card), <i>UNHCR number</i> , <i>Phone number</i> , <i>RSD date</i> , <i>Language</i> , <i>Date of birth</i>	Bring your notice of rejection or file closure from UNHCR to the RLAP office manager. RLAP will determine if a legal advisor can assist. An <i>appeal</i> must be filed within 30 days of receiving a rejection.
Office hours: Sunday-Thursday 9am-5pm (10am-4pm during Ramadan)	To check RSD result, go to UNHCR Cairo RSD website: <a href="http://rsd.unhcregypt.org">http://rsd.unhcregypt.org</a>

### Resettlement

- Recognized refugees in Cairo with a blue card
- Self-referrals accepted twice per year for one month
- Based on self-referral form, RLAP may conduct a needs assessment. Not everyone who submits a self-referral is granted an RLAP interview.
- Referral to UNHCR for resettlement consideration for those who are eligible under UNHCR guidelines
- UNHCR and resettlement countries make the final decision about resettlement.
- Resettlement is *not* a right. Less than 1% of refugees are resettled.

For information about dates or for forms:

Dates when referrals accepted	Forms
Community based organizations (CBO) are notified by RLAP. Contact your local CBO.	<i>When RLAP is accepting forms</i> , approach RLAP for an application form.

RLAP *does not assist* with the following for resettlement:

Updates for UNHCR cases already interviewed
Call the UNHCR resettlement hotline: 01279177993