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REFUGEES IN SOUTH AFRICA

1. DEFINITION

- **A PERSON WHO LEFT HIS/ HER COUNTRY OF ORIGIN DUE TO WELL FOUNDED FEAR OF BEING PERSECUTED FOR REASONS OF RACE,RELIGION,NATIONALITY,M EMBERSHIP TO A SOCIAL OR POLITICAL GROUP,AS SUCH HE/SHE IS FORCED TO LEAVE HIS/HER COUNTRY**

2. CAUSES

- 2.1. PUSH FACTORS

- 2.2 PULL FACTORS

- 2.3 A COMBINATION OF THE

ABOVE

- **ECONOMIC FACTORS**

- **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS**

2.2 PULL FACTORS

- **BETTER JOB PROSPECT** (economic)
- **BETTER FACILITIES** e.g educational and health
- **WELFARE SYSTEM**
- **FAMILY MEMBERS**

3.MY RESEARCH

ZIMBABWEAN NATIONALS WERE INTERVIEWED at Makeketela village which is in Mankweng(37kmEast of PLK)

I ALSO INTERVIEWED SA NATIONALS TO GET THEIR FEELINGS

4.MY FINDINGS

- THEY CAME BECAUSE OF BETTER JOB OPPORTUNITIES (economic)
- AGRICULTURAL SECTOR HAS COLLAPSED DUE TO MISMANAGEMENT AND DROUGHT

•POLITICAL PERSECUTION

i.e ZANU PF vs MDC support

•ESCAPING FROM POVERTY

• **LACK OF SUPPORT FROM
THE GOVERNMENT IN
TERMS OF CREATING JOB
OPPORTUNITIES IN
ZIMBABWE**

5.ADVANTAGES(FOR THE HOST)

- **THEY POSSESS SOME SKILLS WHICH SOUTH AFRICANS DO NOT HAVE**
- **BOOST TO THE ECONOMY**

6.ADVANTAGES(FOR THE HOST)

- **HELP CLEAN THE
ENVIRONMENT**

7. DISADVANTAGES (HOST)

- **CRIME**

- **EXPLOITATION**

- **XENOPHOBIA**

8. CHALLENGES

- LACK OF TRUST PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW
- SELECTION OF RELEVANT PEOPLE
- POLITENESS
- PATIENCE

9. RECOMMENDATIONS & WAYFORWARD

- **FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF SA's REFUGEES ACT OF 1998(Chap5)**
- **CAMPAIGNS BY ALL STAKEHOLDERS**
- **HELP THROUGH THE FULL**

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THANK YOU

THE REFUGEES IN SOUTH AFRICA

REFUGEE- a person who has been forced to leave his country in order to escape war,poverty,famine and natural disasters.

INTERVIEWEE: MS AMAKELANG (ZIMBABWE)

QUESTION:I would first like to know where you come from?

RESPONSE:I come from Zimbabwe.

QUESTION:What caused you to come to South Africa?

RESPONSE:The economic and political situation in my country.

QUESTION:Can you explain in detail how the state of your country is like?

RESPONSE:The country is in a very bad state;people are oppressed, no proper health care facilities and also people are struggling to put food on the table because of lack of jobs.

QUESTION:How did most of the people in your country reacted to the situation?

RESPONSE:They reacted by protesting to the government and the government suppressed them by introducing the state of emergency.

QUESTION:So you are saying the government did not respond to your demands?

RESPONSE:Yes the government did very little in terms of delivery of services.

QUESTION: Was it easy to come to South Africa?

RESPONSE: It was easy for me and my family because we had passports.

QUESTION: How did you know South Africa?

RESPONSE: I knew it as the land of milk and honey.

QUESTION:What are the difficulties that you are facing on a daily basis in South Africa.

RESPONSE:I was always frightened because of xenophobic attacks.

QUESTION: So far what can you say about your stay in South Africa?

RESPONSE:I found it hard to adapt but finally I managed and also proud to say it is a great country.

QUESTION:How long have you been in South Africa.

RESPONSE :I have been here for three years.

QUESTION:Do you ever think of going back?

RESPONSE:Yes, but I won't enjoy my visit because of the situation at home.

QUESTION:Have you ever been treated badly since you were here?

RESPONSE:Not really but I have seen other people been treated badly and also read about them in the newspapers.

QUESTION:So far how many languages of South Africa can you speak?

RESPONSE:Two, that is Sepedi and English.

QUESTION:What is it that you can change in South Africa if you were able to do so?

RESPONSE:I would educate South Africans to respect and treat the refugees very well.

TSHEPO: Thank you for your time.

AMAKELANG:You are welcome.

2. INTERVIEWEE:ANONYMOUS

QUESTION:Could you please tell me where you come from?

RESPONSE:I come from Zimbabwe.

QUESTION:What caused you to come to South Africa?

RESPONSE:The economic situation in my country.

QUESTION:Can you you explain why you say so?

RESPONSE:There are no jobs and people are suffering,and the government is doing nothing to address the situation.

QUESTION:What is it that you are doing for a living.

RESPONSE:We depend on the livestock and the produce from the fields.

QUESTION:Do you experience food shortage?

RESPONSE:Yes, but not that much as we help one another.

QUESTION:Was it easy for you to come to South Africa?

RESPONSE:Not easy because I came into the country illegally.

QUESTION:So far how is your stay in this country?

RESPONSE:I am not educated so I am just a herdboy;it is tough.

QUESTION:How do people in South Africa treat you?

RESPONSE:Well, but at times face some challenges.

QUESTION:What type of challenges?

RESPONSE:They sometimes refuse to share the seats with us in public transport.

QUESTION:How long have you been in South Africa?

RESPONSE: I have been here for a year.

EVIDENCE OF REFLECTION

I interviewed the refugees from Zimbabwe.These people come from a very deplorable economic situation and political situation respectively.Those that I interviewed are still working under bad conditions.These people are not educated.They had to work hard in order to make ends meet.So we South Africans must accept these refugees and make them feel at home.We have to give them jobs and accommodation.