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VACCINATIONS FOR HOMELESS UNDOCUMENTED MIGRANTS

As of today the GGD [Municipal Health Service] in 15 regions have started vaccinating homeless and undocumented people who reside at NGOs. This concerns the regions Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Utrecht, Haaglanden, Flevoland, Zaanstreek Waterland, Groningen, Brabant-Zuidoost, Hollands Midden, Zuid Limburg, Drenthe, Zuid-Holland-Zuid, IJsselland, Hollands Noorden and Limburg Noord. NGOs from these regions have already been informed by the GGD.

At a later stage the national GGDs will give other undocumented migrants the opportunity to register in order to be vaccinated.

Information about mechanism of action of these vaccinations in several languages is to be found at the site of Pharos: <https://www.pharos.nl/coronavirus/begrijpelijke-informatie-over-het-nieuwe-coronavirus/>

BASIC RIGHTS

Court of Appeal: assistance benefit for Moroccan mother of Dutch child from date of application

This woman applied for a residence permit as the mother of a Dutch child and applied for assistance benefit at the same time. Social services did not want to provide the assistance benefit until after a waiting time of three months. However, the Court is of the opinion that there is a right to assistance benefit immediately from the date of arrival (Court of Appeal Rotterdam, ROT 21/1984, 30.4.21).

ADMISSION POLICY

Court of Appeal: in case of decisions concerning naturalisation individual consideration about criminal record is required

This case concerns naturalisation. Usually someone who has been convicted to community service cannot naturalise. However, in this case the community service had been imposed instead of a financial penalty, moreover it concerned a minor financial penalty. The Court is of the opinion that the minister should have taken these personal circumstances into consideration when taking his decision. The minister should reconsider the naturalisation request and make a new decision (Court of Appeal Utrecht, UTR 20/3554, 14.4.21).

Court of Appeal: requirements for status as a westernized Afghan woman

This judgment shows that the IND should take the following aspects into consideration in case of Afghan women who apply for asylum status on the grounds of westernization:

- 1) the behaviour of the migrant in the country of origin,
- 2) her age at the time she left the country,
- 3) how she developed in the Netherlands and
- 4) how long she resided in the Netherlands.

A westernized Afghan woman should be able to explain in which way her westernization is visible and why she cannot change or hide her westernization. It should also be clear which risks she runs in Afghanistan because of this visible westernization.

In this case the Court is not of the opinion that the woman is westernized. When she came to the Netherlands she was 28 years of age and she is a Muslim, wears a headscarf and never had problems in Afghanistan. You will find more information [here](#).

Court of Appeal: no continued residence for Moroccan woman who was abandoned, not enough evidence domestic violence

This woman came to the Netherlands in 2018 and was left behind in Morocco by her husband in 2019 without her Dutch residence permit. With the help of the Dutch embassy she travelled back to The Netherlands. Subsequently she was granted the status of abandoned woman. Now she is applying for a status 'continued residence'.

One of the conditions for a permit 'continued residence abandoned woman' is that domestic violence is the reason for the dissolution of the marriage. However, this woman has no objective evidence that actual domestic violence has occurred, all the statements (police, consul, general practitioner) are based

on the story of the woman herself. The abandonment in itself is insufficient evidence. Therefore her application has been denied. You will find more information [here](#).

CHECK AND DETENTION

Court of Appeal: pregnant woman with current application residence with partner does not need to stay in detention

This woman ran away before when she was under threat of eviction, therefore the Aliens Police want to keep her in detention. However, the Court stated that the circumstances have changed - she is pregnant and has applied for residence with partner. Moreover she is supervised by juvenile rehabilitation and has a duty to report there. The Court is of the opinion that the woman no longer needs to be in detention of aliens because of these circumstances. You will find more information [here](#).

Court of Appeal: no prospect of eviction Afghanistan due to departure UN military forces

Because foreign forces leave Afghanistan there is no capacity for the support of Afghan migrants who are evicted. The Court in den Bosch concludes that this situation will last until September and that therefore there is no 'prospect of eviction in the short term'. Therefore Afghan people should be released from the detention of aliens. You will find more information [here](#).

ACTIVITIES

Vacancy STIL Utrecht: manager for the team Medical and Support (24 hours per week)

STIL supports undocumented migrants in Utrecht with respect to legal, medical and social aspects. For our new management team we are looking for a colleague with a special focus on health care.

Applications please **before 29 May** at sollicitatie@stil-utrecht.nl.

<https://www.oneworld.nl/vacaturebank/vacature-leidinggevende-medisch-en-ondersteuning/>

Action 20,000 names, 1-28 June

With this action we want to commemorate the fatalities who fell victim to the European asylum and migration policy. For this purpose we will make 20,000 monuments that eventually will get a place on the Scheveningen beach. We are looking for groups who want to help make the monuments.

More information at migreat.org and facebook.nl/migreat.nl.

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