

**ABA International Refugee Law Committee**  
**Weekly**  
**HOT TOPICS DIGEST**  
**20 February 2017**

NEWS

**Another Injunction Against Trump Travel/Refugee Ban: Commonwealth of Virginia** <https://www.lexisnexis.com/legalnewsroom/immigration/b/newsheadlines/archive/2017/02/14/another-injunction-against-trump-travel-refugee-ban-commonwealth-of-virginia.aspx?Redirected=true#sthash.IwAIrnQZ.dpuf>

**Accommodation Update as of 14 February 2017 // UNHCR Refugees/Migrants Response - Mediterranean** <http://data.unhcr.org/mediterranean/regional.php>

**International Criminal Court told Australia's detention regime could be a crime against humanity** [https://www.theguardian.com/australia-news/2017/feb/13/international-criminal-court-told-australias-detention-regime-could-be-a-against-humanity?CMP=share\\_btn\\_tw&utm\\_source=Refugees+Deeply&utm\\_campaign=4c4b1e279e-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2017\\_02\\_17&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_8b056c90e2-4c4b1e279e-117584105&mc\\_cid=4c4b1e279e&mc\\_eid=eb52d0b586](https://www.theguardian.com/australia-news/2017/feb/13/international-criminal-court-told-australias-detention-regime-could-be-a-against-humanity?CMP=share_btn_tw&utm_source=Refugees+Deeply&utm_campaign=4c4b1e279e-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_02_17&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_8b056c90e2-4c4b1e279e-117584105&mc_cid=4c4b1e279e&mc_eid=eb52d0b586)

**Pakistan: Mass Forced Returns of Afghan Refugees: UN Refugee Agency Complicit in Government Coercion** [https://www.hrw.org/news/2017/02/13/pakistan-mass-forced-returns-afghan-refugees?utm\\_source=Refugees+Deeply&utm\\_campaign=4c4b1e279e-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2017\\_02\\_17&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_8b056c90e2-4c4b1e279e-117584105&mc\\_cid=4c4b1e279e&mc\\_eid=eb52d0b586](https://www.hrw.org/news/2017/02/13/pakistan-mass-forced-returns-afghan-refugees?utm_source=Refugees+Deeply&utm_campaign=4c4b1e279e-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_02_17&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_8b056c90e2-4c4b1e279e-117584105&mc_cid=4c4b1e279e&mc_eid=eb52d0b586)

**Texas Attorney General first in country to file brief backing Trump travel ban** <https://www.texastribune.org/2017/02/15/ken-paxton-files-brief-support-trumps-travel-ban/>

**AILA Podcast: Ethics of Filing for Asylum to Apply for Cancellation of Removal** <http://www.aila.org/about/announcements/aila-podcast-ethics-of-filing-for-asylum>

**Home Office is lying about capacity to care for child refugees** <https://www.theguardian.com/social-care-network/2017/feb/13/home-office-lying-capacity-care-child-refugees>

**US-to-Canada Refugee Route Makes National News** <http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/immigration/2017/02/us-to-canada-refugee-route-makes-national-news.html>

**NJ Pushes Bill To Bar Port Authority From Aiding Travel Ban** <https://www.lexisnexis.com/legalnewsroom/immigration/b/newsheadlines/archive/2017/02/14/nj-pushes-bill-to-bar-port-authority-from-aiding-travel-ban.aspx?Redirected=true#sthash.RyfOpvNL.dpuf>

**Syrian Refugee Sues Trump Over Asylum Suspension** <https://www.lexisnexis.com/legalnewsroom/immigration/b/newsheadlines/archive/2017/02/14/syrian-refugee-sues-trump-over-asylum-suspension.aspx?Redirected=true>

EVENTS/CALLS TO ACTION/JOB/STRAINING

**The ABA SIL International Refugee Law Committee is calling for submissions on refugee and asylum topics for “The Refuge”** Submission Deadline: Cut-off is the 20th of each month. Contact the editors at [irlcrefuge@gmail.com](mailto:irlcrefuge@gmail.com).

**Summer School on Global and Regional Migration Governance in Geneva** <http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/immigration/2017/02/summer-school-on-global-and-regional-migration-governance-in-geneva.html>

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Every 2nd Tuesday:

March 14

April 11

May 9

June 13

July 11

August 8