

ABA International Refugee Law Committee
Weekly
HOT TOPICS DIGEST
6 March 2017

NEWS

Swedish court hands life sentence to Syrian for war crimes <http://www.thelocal.se/20170216/swedish-court-hands-life-sentence-to-syrian-for-war-crimes>

EU Court of Justice Statement-The General Court declares that it lacks jurisdiction to hear and determine the actions brought by three asylum seekers against the EU-Turkey statement which seeks to resolve the migration crisis <http://www.europeanmigrationlaw.eu/en/articles/news/court-of-justice-euturkey-statement>

Poland criticized for returning asylum-seekers to Belarus https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/europe/poland-criticized-for-returning-asylum-seekers-to-belarus/2017/03/01/9e74bca2-fe83-11e6-9b78-824ccab94435_story.html?utm_campaign=New%20Campaign&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_term=.f287103e1b71

HIRC brings issue of executive orders to Inter-American Commission on Human Rights <https://harvardimmigrationclinic.wordpress.com/2017/03/02/hirc-brings-issue-of-executive-orders-to-inter-american-commission-on-human-rights/>

Press Release: Groups File New Challenge to Trump Muslim Ban <https://refugeerights.org/press-release-groups-file-new-challenge-to-trump-muslim-ban/> (with link to petition)

EXCLUSIVE: Trump Administration Fact Sheets on New Executive Order Banning Travel to the US <https://www.justsecurity.org/38402/trump-administration-fact-sheets-executive-order-banning-travel/>

More Info Needed on Travel Ban's Claim that 300 Refugees Under Counterterrorism Investigations <https://www.justsecurity.org/38436/info-needed-travel-bans-claim-300-refugees-counterterrorism-investigations/>

A Line-by-Line Comparison Between Trump's Original Muslim Ban and Today's <https://www.justsecurity.org/38435/trump-bans-compared/>

Why the New Travel Ban Doesn't Resolve the Old One's Problems <https://www.justsecurity.org/38464/travel-ban-doesnt-resolve-ones-problems/>

These Changes May Keep Asylum Seekers From Getting Their Day in Court <http://immigrationimpact.com/2017/02/28/changes-may-keep-asylum-seekers-getting-day-court/>

USCIS Asylum Div. Revises Credible Fear / Reasonable Fear Lesson Plans <https://www.lexisnexis.com/legalnewsroom/immigration/b/insidenews/archive/2017/03/01/uscis-asylum-div-revises-credible-fear-reasonable-fear-lesson-plans-feb-2017.aspx?Redirected=true#sthash.pBRY9iEl.dpuf>

Questions and Answers: The Trump Administration’s Immigration Enforcement Memos <https://www.hrw.org/news/2017/03/02/questions-and-answers-trump-administrations-immigration-enforcement-memos>

‘Against All Odds: Turkey’s Response to “Undesirable but Unreturnable” Asylum-Seekers’ <https://migreflaw.wordpress.com/2017/03/03/publication-by-ig-member-against-all-odds-turkeys-response-to-undesirable-but-unreturnable-asylum-seekers/>

DHS Intelligence Assessment Undermines Trump Case for Travel Ban www.lexisnexis.com/legalnewsroom/immigration/b/newsheadlines/archive/2017/03/03/dhs-intelligence-assessment-undermines-trump-case-for-travel-ban.aspx?Redirected=true#sthash.w2q6XiT7.dpuf

An Afghan Family, With Visas in Hand, Is Detained in Los Angeles <https://www.lexisnexis.com/legalnewsroom/immigration/b/outsidenews/archive/2017/03/06/an-afghan-family-with-visas-in-hand-is-detained-in-los-angeles.aspx?Redirected=true>

Government targets people seeking asylum with threatening legal letters <https://www.asrc.org.au/2017/02/27/government-targets-people-seeking-asylum-threatening-legal-letters/>

UNHCR underscores humanitarian imperative for refugees as new U.S. rules announced <http://www.unhcr.org/news/press/2017/3/58bdd37e4/unhcr-underscores-humanitarian-imperative-refugees-new-rules-announced.html>

Stranded refugees denied UK asylum face ‘life in limbo’ <https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2017/mar/05/refused-asylum-seekers-suicide-rules-uk>

DHS webpage on executive orders <https://www.dhs.gov>

Australia’s Refugee Policy an Opportunity for the ICC to Combat Image of Bias <https://www.justsecurity.org/38326/australias-refugee-policy-opportunity-icc-combat-perception-bias/>

EVENTS/CALLS TO ACTION/JOBS/TRAINING

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.

ASIL Annual Meeting, 12-15 April, Washington, DC <https://www.asil.org/annualmeeting>

E-learning: PROMOTING MIGRANT AND REFUGEE INTEGRATION <http://www.hrea.org/learn/elearning/promoting-integration/>

Oxford Monitor of Forced Migration call for papers https://gallery.mailchimp.com/0bd739ce4d403a148bb596393/files/d479a339-5b8d-4d71-9bad-f7e22737ec77/Call_for_submissions_2_April_2017.pdf

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>

Professional Certificate in Strategic Migration Management <http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/immigration/2017/02/professional-certificate-in-strategic-migration-management.html>

Two Clinical Professor (Immigration) Openings at University of Minnesota <http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/immigration/2017/03/two-clinical-professor-immigration-openings-at-university-of-minnesota-.html>

ACLU Immigrants' Rights Project Hiring Staff Attorney (SoCal) <http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/immigration/2017/03/aclu-immigrants-rights-project-hiring-staff-attorney-socal.html>

Open Positions at Stanford Law School Immigrants' Rights Clinic <http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/immigration/2017/03/open-positions-at-stanford-law-school-immigrants-rights-clinic-.html>

Open Clinical Positions <http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/immigration/2017/03/open-clinical-positions.html>

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Every 2nd Tuesday:

March 14

April 11

May 9

June 13

July 11

August 8