



THE NETHERLANDS

(REFUGEES)

Speaking on behalf of The Netherlands, we want to express the importance of the refugees in the EU.

Holland has always been available to shelter refugees, and is still an important thing for us since we are aware of the gravity of refugees' situation.

These people who are escaping from war, pursuit and oppression, risk their lives daily by crossing the Mediterranean sea, and although they are exposed to a journey where they can be battered, they start this trip to Europe looking for freedom in countries like The Netherlands.

Holland is fully committed to the refugees because we would like to give innocent people a chance to escape from such horrible situations.

We will attend everyone who accepts to abandon the country. They will be accommodated in five big cities; Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Utrecht, La Haya and Eindhoven.

Two weeks after their entry they will pass to another establishment, and then when the expulsion method is ready they will get out of The Netherlands.

In case of a shelter applicant that makes or has committed any crime, he or she will be arrested and expelled out of the country, and its application will be canceled.

As our constitution says, we want to stand out that everyone in The Netherlands will be treated the same, no matter what their religion, thoughts, political opinions, sex or race is.

We have an active participation in international effort in these areas, an example of this is the recent agreement of the EU of hosting 38000 afghan refugees.

According to ACNUR, in 2020, 13541refuge requests were made to Holland, the majority of them came from Syria, Argelia and Turkey. 10736 decisions were taken from the initial requests, and 72% of them were answered positively.

We also would like to mention the recent measures that The Netherlands has taken to help Ukrainian people escape from war. Our government has committed to embrace 50000 Ukrainians, using gyms, hotels, congress centers, and other municipal centers as reception places. Furthermore, the royal family will use one of their castles to embrace between six and eight families of refugees.

The Netherlands contributes in refugees' reception, and for that, we would like that they register into the Plan of Integration and Participation, that got started in 2020. This plan has the Dutch ministry of Social Matters aid to avoid a system that makes the refugees pay and look for their own course of civil integration.

We also contribute by offering the refugees language courses, and a grant for the rent and for the costs of the medical insurance.

Holland believes that cooperation between member states is crucial, for this reason we propose the following measures: give refuge in reception centers financed by the government, provide the refugees a weekly pay between 25 and 50 pounds for food and necessary outlays, and allow the refugees to work 24 weeks a year out of the center (in this case part of their salary will be destined to the asylum center).