



PAPUA NEW GUINEA IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP SERVICE AUTHORITY

Departure planning - information for non-refugees

The Minister for Foreign Affairs and Immigration has determined that you are not a refugee. He has provided to you:

- Notice that you are determined not to be a refugee
- The reasons for his decision
- An order that you be removed from PNG, and
- A direction that you be taken into custody to effect your removal.

Can I choose to depart voluntarily?

Yes. You can choose to depart voluntarily at any time.

If you choose to depart voluntarily, you will be eligible for Assisted Voluntary Return and reintegration assistance from the International Organisation for Migration (IOM). If you are involuntarily removed, you will receive no financial assistance. Please let your case officer know if you would like to talk with the IOM about Assisted Voluntary Return.

Where will I be held in custody?

You will continue to be accommodated at the Regional Processing Centre. However, you may be held in any location, including correctional institutions, while your removal is being effected.

What are the next steps?

ICSA has scheduled an interview with you to plan for your departure from PNG. ICSA will seek information about your documentation, your desired destination and information to assess whether any of PNG's international obligations would prevent your removal to your country of origin. If no barrier exists, ICSA will obtain a travel document for you (if you do not currently have one), make travel arrangements and escort you out of PNG.

How long will the process take?

You must depart from PNG as soon as practicable. A departure planning interview has been scheduled for you in the next 1-2 days. If you choose not to attend the departure planning interview (without extenuating reasons) departure arrangements will be

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What happens if ICSA assesses that I can not be removed to my home country

You do not have a visa or a lawful right to remain in PNG. If ICSA assesses that you can not be removed to your country of origin, you will remain in custody until you are able to obtain a visa to lawfully enter and reside in PNG or another country.

Right to access a lawyer

You have the right to communicate with a lawyer of your choice. Lawyers must hold a PNG practising certificate in order to practice here. If the lawyer charges a fee, this must be paid by you.

finalised based on information already held by ICSA. You will have 5 calendar days after interview to provide any additional information to assist with departure planning.

Do I have any other options?

No. Your two options are 1) removal from PNG, or 2) Assisted Voluntary Return through the International Organisation for Migration (IOM).

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Flowchart for persons refused refugee status in PNG

