United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

GABON

We would like to bring your attention to the following excerpts, taken directly from Treaty Body Concluding Observations and Special Procedure reports, relating to issues of interest and concern to UNHCR with regards to Gabon.

Treaty Body Concluding Observations and Recommendations

CCPR/CO/70/GAB 10 November 2000, 70th Session

16. As regards the rights of non-Gabonese citizens and refugees living in Gabon, the Committee notes that foreign workers are still required to have exit visas, in contravention of article 12 of the Covenant.

The Committee recommends that the State party must do away with this requirement.

CRC/C/15/Add.171, 23th Session 3 April 2002

- 55. The Committee takes note of the approval of the new Law on Refugees (Law N° 5/98) and of the creation of the National Commission of Refugees, and embraces the policy of the State Party in relation to refugee children.
- 56. The Committee recommends that the State Party applies the legislation and consider the possibility of ratifying the 1954 Convention Relating to the Status of Stateless Persons as well as the 1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness and continues cooperating with international organizations such as the UNHCR and the UNICEF.
- End of excerpts -

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