



Returnee children are playing in Child Friendly Space at IOM Transit Center—Kandahar @ IOM 2017

## Highlights

- 968** undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan
- 18,083** undocumented Afghans returned from Iran
- 93,263** total returns from Pakistan since 01 Jan 2017
- 367,765** total returns from Iran since 01 Jan 2017
- 88%** of returnees from Pakistan (851 individuals) assisted
- 3%** of returnees from Iran (566 individuals) assisted
- 155** Unaccompanied Migrant Children (UMC) from Iran among those assisted, 0 from Pakistan
- 36** Medical Cases (MC) from Iran among those assisted, 0 from Pakistan

## Return from Pakistan

A total of **968** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Pakistan through the Turkham (Nangarhar) and Spin Boldak (Kandahar) border crossings from Oct 29— Nov 04, according to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR). Of the total returnees, 862 were spontaneous returnees and 106 were deported. This number marks a **5% increase** compared to the previous week (923). The total number of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan since 01 January 2017 is now 93,263. IOM provided post-arrival assistance to **88%** of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan (851 individuals), including 723 individuals in poor families and 128 individuals in single parent families. The assistance provided includes meals, accommodation, basic medical screening, Non-Food Items (NFIs), onward transportation cash grants and referral services, as well as support from partners.

## ACC Registration — Pakistan

As of 27 October 2017, the Government of Pakistan's National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) supported by the Government of Pakistan and IOM has received over 299,000 applications from undocumented Afghans for Afghan Citizen Cards (ACC) across 21 registration centers. The cards themselves are currently in production and have yet to be issued. The registration exercise commenced on 16 August 2017 and is expected to continue into next spring. ACC cards grant undocumented Afghans temporary stay in Pakistan, pending their return to Afghanistan, to regularize their legal status by acquiring a passport and visa.

## Situation Overview

IOM is responding to a substantial increase in the return of undocumented Afghans from Pakistan and Iran. Since 01 January 2017, over 461,000 undocumented Afghans have returned due to diverse push factors, including deteriorating protection space in Pakistan and Iran. This figure represents a significantly lower rate of return than in previous year. Most of those returning have lived outside of Afghanistan for decades, and will need support from the government and humanitarian actors both on arrival and as they seek to reintegrate. As the rate of return is influenced by a number of political, security and other related factors both in Afghanistan and neighboring countries, another surge in returns could occur at any time. IOM estimates that approximately 500,000 undocumented Afghans could return from Pakistan and Iran in 2017, and is working to scale up its support to returnees in coordination with the Government of Afghanistan and other humanitarian partners.

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Return from Iran

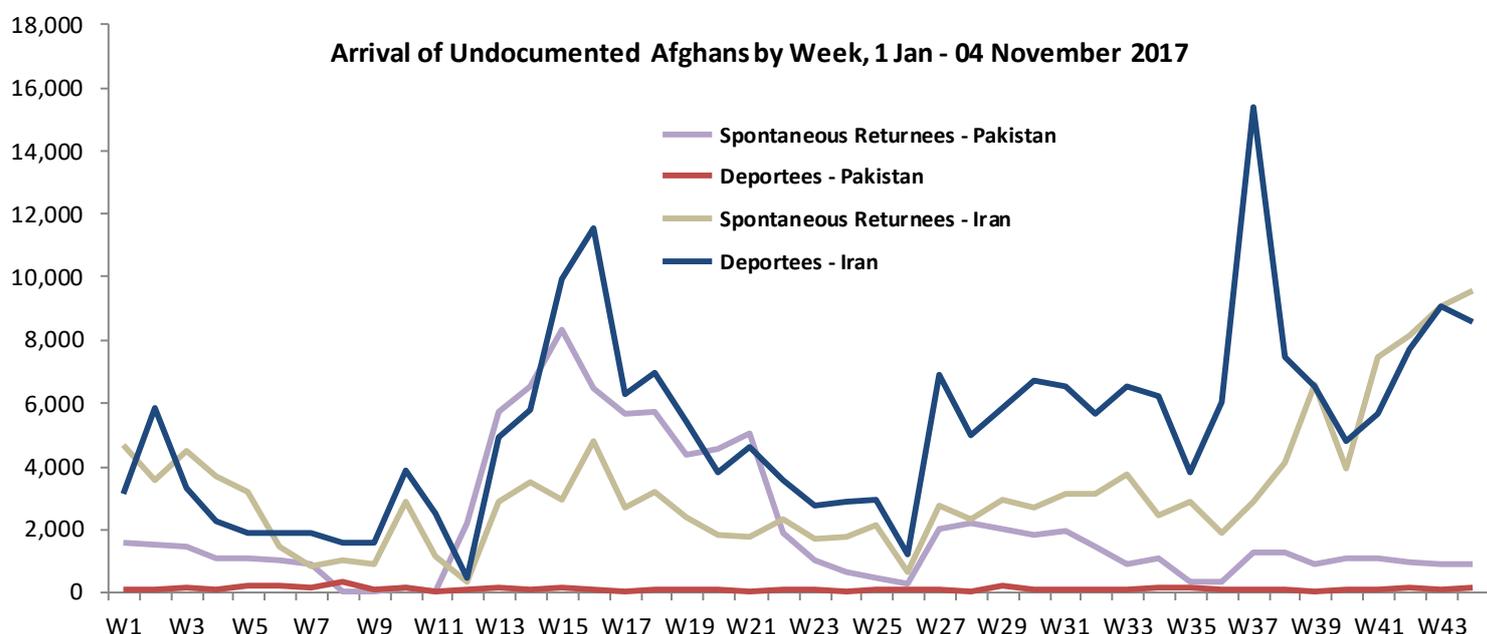
A total of **18,083** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Iran through the Milak (Nimroz) and Herat (Islam Qala) border crossings between Oct 29—04 Nov 2017, **0.3% more** than in the previous week. Although no official announcement has been made, spontaneous returns and deportations have resumed again through Islam Qala (Herat) since 07 September 2017. Of the total deported undocumented Afghans, 2,501 individuals were deported through Islam Qala (Herat) and 6,104 were deported through Milak (Nimroz). Of those who spontaneously returned, 5,711 returned through Islam Qala (Herat) and 3,767 through Milak (Nimroz). Out of the total deportees, 777 individuals (9%) were deported with family members whereas 7,828 (91%) were deported as individuals. This brings the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran since 01 January 2017 to 367,765. IOM provided post-arrival humanitarian assistance to **566 (3%)** undocumented Afghans deported from Iran at its Transit Centers in Nimroz and Herat, including 296 individuals in Deported Families (DF), 155 Unaccompanied Migrant Children (UMC), 36 Medical Cases (MC), 30 Special Cases (SC), 16 Poor Family (PF), 15 Unaccompanied Elderly (UAE), 9 Physically Disabled (PD), 6 Drug Addicted (DA), 2 Mentally Ill (MI) and 1 Chronically Ill (CI).

Number of Undocumented Returnees in 2017 (Turkham, Spin Boldak, Islam Qala and Milak)

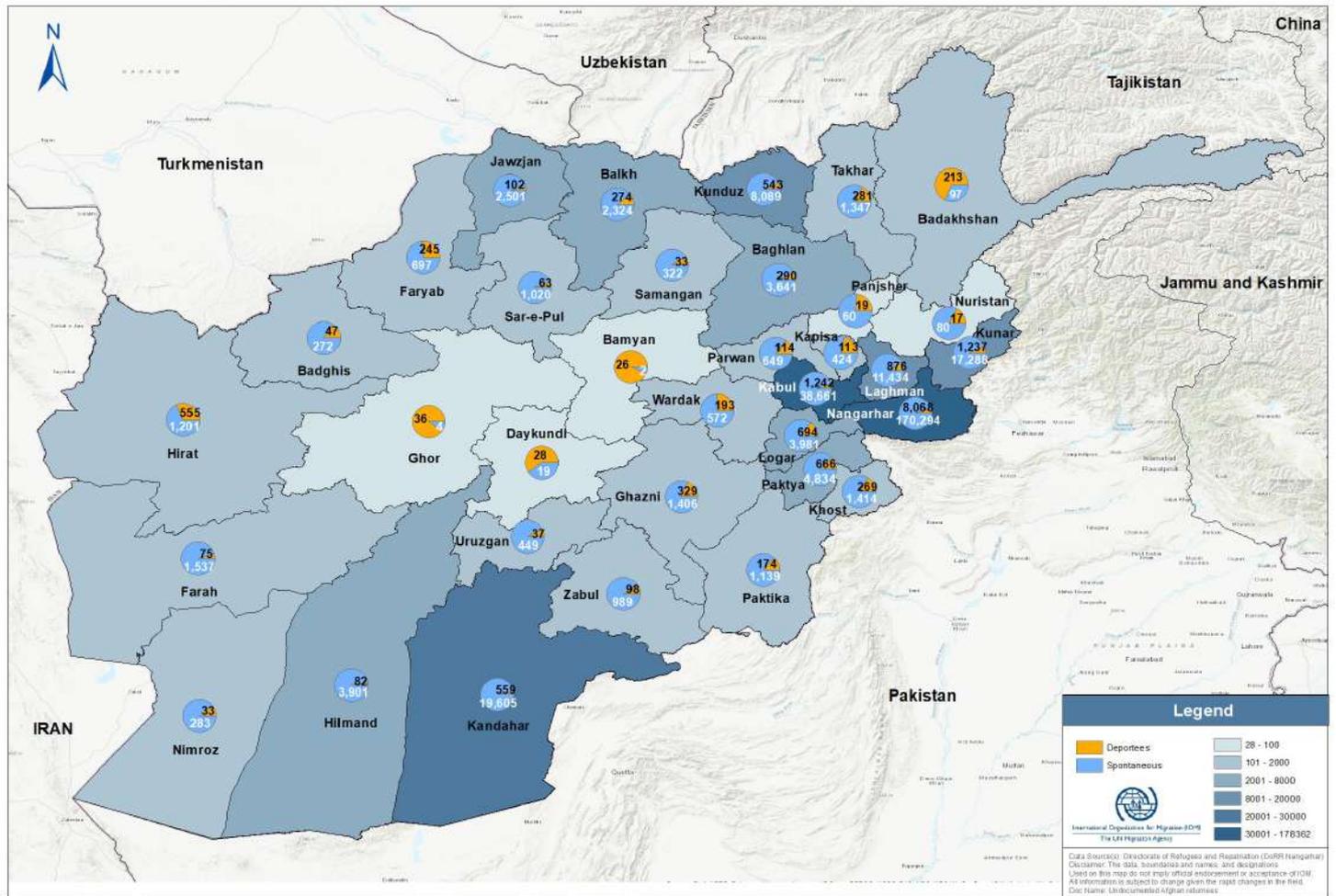
Date	Spontaneous Returnees				Deportees				Total	Total	Grand Total
	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz	Pakistan	Iran	
Jan - Sep 17	56,181	28,612	20,915	82,274	2,280	1,001	8,761	181,979	88,074	293,929	382,003
01 - 28 Oct 2017	2,026	1,900	20,424	8,109	105	190	9,693	17,527	4,221	55,753	59,974
29 Oct - 04 Nov	461	401	5,711	3,767	7	99	2,501	6,104	968	18,083	19,051
<b>Total</b>	<b>58,668</b>	<b>30,913</b>	<b>47,050</b>	<b>94,150</b>	<b>2,392</b>	<b>1,290</b>	<b>20,955</b>	<b>205,610</b>	<b>93,263</b>	<b>367,765</b>	<b>461,028</b>

IOM Assisted Undocumented Afghans in 2017 (Turkham, Spin Boldak, Islam Qala and Milak)

Date	Spontaneous Returnees				Deportees				Total	Total	Grand Total
	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz	Pakistan	Iran	
Jan - Sep 17	53,533	20,858	173	569	490	547	944	12,328	75,428	14,014	89,442
01 - 28 Oct 17	2,020	1,635	47	31	12	67	1,173	2,484	3,734	3,735	7,469
29 Oct - 04 Nov	461	390	7	11	0	0	194	354	851	566	1,417
<b>Total</b>	<b>56,014</b>	<b>22,883</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>2,311</b>	<b>15,166</b>	<b>80,013</b>	<b>18,315</b>	<b>98,328</b>



**AFGHANISTAN** | Final Destination of Undocumented Afghan Returnees and Deportees from Pakistan Jan 2016—04 Nov 2017



**Annex 1: Breakdown of Assistance Provided at all Border Crossings Points (BCP), Oct 29—04 Nov 2017**

Categories	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Islam Qala	Milak	Total
Non-Food Item (NFI) Kits	461	71	20	55	607
Medical Care	108	36	11	25	180
Tuberculosis Screening	461	390	201	133	1,185
Overnight Accommodation	0	74	201	361	636
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>2,608</b>

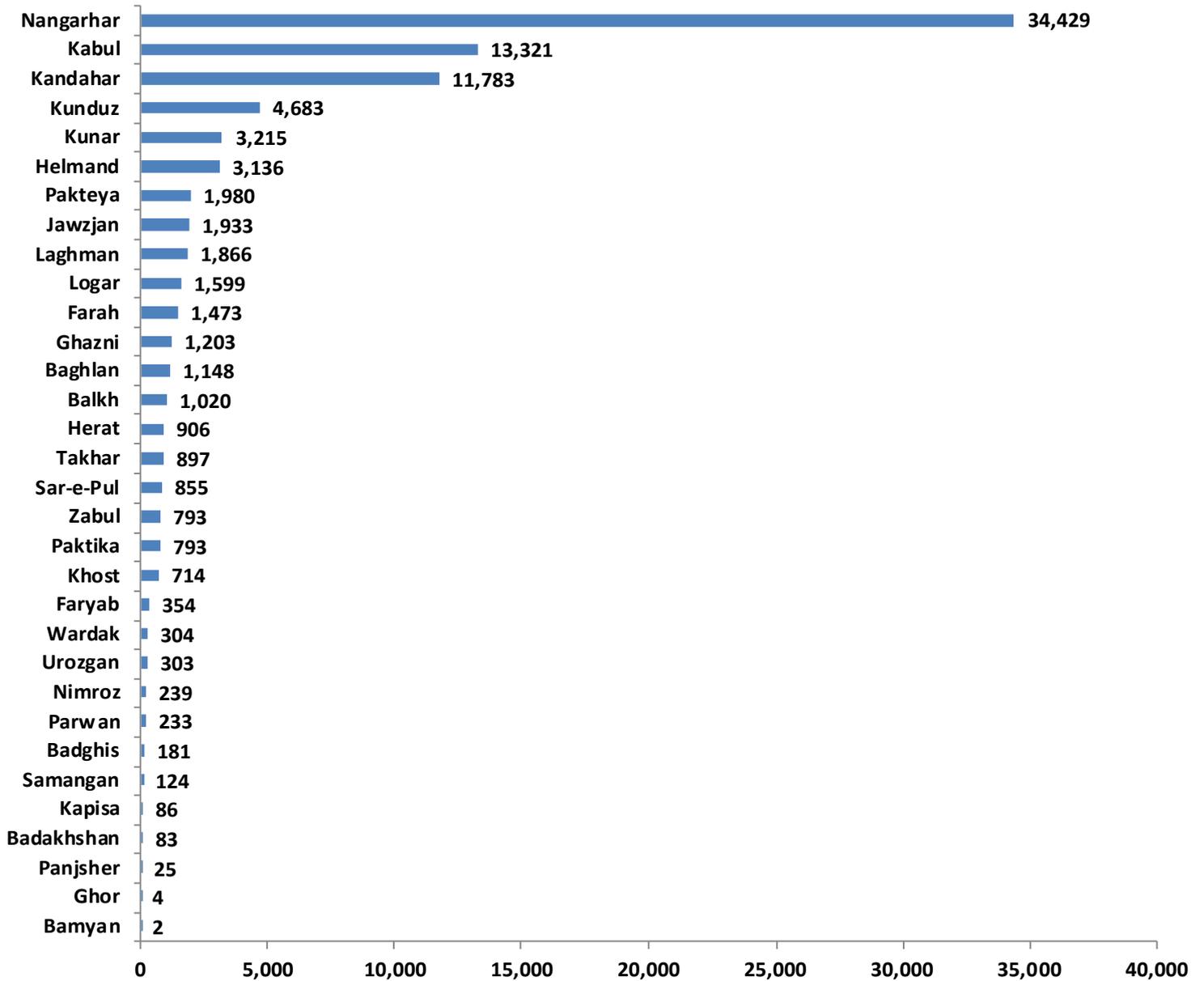
**Annex 2: Detailed Breakdown of Assistance Provided by Partners at Milak and Islam Qala BCP, Oct 29—04 Nov 2017**

Organization	Location	Type of Assistance	Families Assisted	Total Individual Assisted	Male	Female	Boys	Girls
IOM	Registration Centre	Registration	74	505	165	70	195	75
AICHR	Registration Centre	Legal Assistance	0	0	0	0	0	0
IOM	Transit Centre	Food Package	19	140	40	18	66	16
IOM	Transit Centre	Transportation	74	432	165	70	122	75
IOM	Transit Centre	Medical Services	5	49	45	4	19	6
IOM	Transit Centre	Referrals	0	0	0	0	45	0
UNICEF	Tracing & Repatriation		0	0	0	0	73	0
WFP	Transit Center	Food Package	74	131	67	52	54	58
UNICEF	Transit Center	Child Friendly Space	0	0	0	0	38	49
MDC/UNMAS	Transit Center	Mine Risk Education	0	281	102	36	98	45

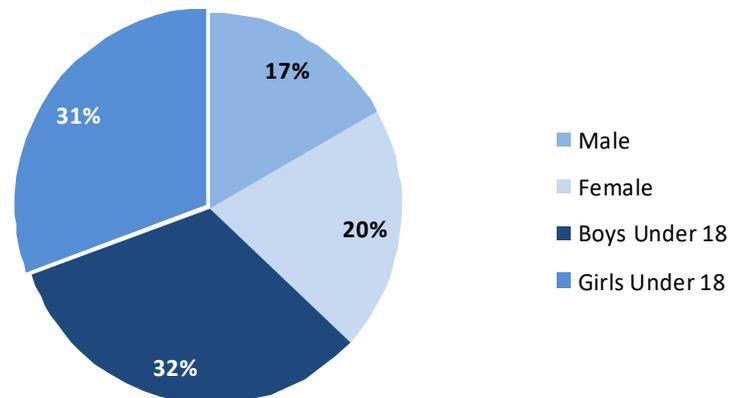
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Organization	Location	Type of Assistance	Families Assisted	Total Individual Assisted	Male	Female	Boys	Girls
IOM	Transit Centre	BSAF Registration	152	851	155	176	261	259
IOM	Transit Centre	IOM Beneficiary Card	152	851	155	176	261	259
	Transit Centre	Overnight Accommodation	17	74	10	17	25	22
	Transit Centre	Medical Screening	72	144	15	61	24	44
	Transit Centre	TB Screening	152	851	155	176	261	259
	Transit Centre	Non Food Item (NFI)	152	851	155	176	261	259
	IOM	Transit Centre	Unconditional Cash for NFI	0	0	0	0	0
Transit Centre		Cash for Transportation (\$ 25-\$50)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transit Center		Food Package	152	851	155	176	261	259
Transit Center		Medical Services	43	108	9	40	22	37
Transit Center		OPV Vaccination for children (>10 years)	0	35	0	0	15	20
WHO	Transit Center	OPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	6	0	0	1	5
WHO	Transit Center	IPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	171	0	0	80	91
	Transit Center	Measle Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	130	0	0	5	68
UNICEF	Transit Center	Hygiene Kits	86	461	84	98	133	146
	Transit Center	Family Kit	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Transit Center	Hygiene Awareness Training	136	737	134	158	226	219
	Transit Center	Child Friendly Space	66	477	0	0	243	234
UNICEF	Transit Center	Nutrition services for children 6-59 months, and pregnant women and lactating mothers	34	57	0	0	27	30
UNICEF	Transit Center	Vitamin A 12-59 months	34	58	0	0	28	30
UNICEF	Transit Center	Albendazol 24-59 months	25	41	0	0	17	24
UNFPA	Transit Center	Dignity kits	0	0	0	0	0	0
AADA/UNFPA	Zero Point	Medical Services	0	357	134	88	76	59
AADA/UNFPA	Zero Point	OPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	0	0	0	0	0
AADA/UNFPA	Zero Point	OPV Vaccination for children (>10 years)	0	27	0	0	27	0
AADA/UNFPA	Zero Point	IPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	168	0	0	82	86
AADA/UNFPA	Zero Point	Measle Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	148	0	0	67	81
AADA/UNFPA	Zero Point	HIV/AIDS Awareness	0	128	8	53	4	63
AADA/UNICEF	Zero Point	Nutrition services for children (6-59 months), pregnant women and lactating mothers	0	209	0	0	83	126
AADA/UNICEF	Zero Point	Vitamin A 12-59 months	0	163	0	0	82	81
AADA/UNICEF	Zero Point	Albendazol 24-59 months	0	106	0	0	54	52
DDG/ DRC	Transit Center	Mine Risk Education	50	613	119	146	192	156

Annex 4: Breakdown of Provinces of Final Destination and Gender Breakdown of Undocumented Afghans from Pakistan



Gender breakdown of undocumented spontaneous returnees from Pakistan, Jan 01—Nov 04, 2017



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