Refugee resettlement: Policy issues and community support

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Policy issues

- Long processing times
- Family reunification
- Security of status
- Financial security





Long processing delays

Processing times in months (80%): 2015

	GARs	PSRs
Total	15	51
Amman	3	11
Beirut	10	9
Cairo	19	56
Nairobi	35	69
Pretoria	21	63
Islamabad	32	68
Ankara	10	45



Family reunification

- Immediate family One year window
- Other family members





The Echo Effect and levels

	Target 2017	Target 2016	Inventory June 2016
Privately Sponsored Refugees	16,000	17,800	33,884



Secure status

- Permanent residence
- Cessation
- Access to citizenship





Financial security

- Income support levels
- Transportation loan



Community support

- Role of community organizations
- Private sponsors
- Broader community involvement