

Notes from Meeting between Hon Murray McCully, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Hon Michael Woodhouse, Minister of Immigration, and Hon Nikki Kaye, Associate Minister of Immigration, Wednesday 20 February.

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First option - status quo

favoured in relation to family link criteria. s6(b)(ii)

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Draft Cabinet Paper on the Refugee Quota Programme

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Syrian refugees need to have a pre-existing family link (that is, family members already in New Zealand) to be eligible for resettlement under this category.

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Briefing for meeting with Hon Michael Woodhouse, Minister of Immigration

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- At that meeting, Ministers also discussed the family-link criterion. The draft paper reflects the Minister of Immigration's view that priority should be given to resettling family-linked refugees,

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As you will know our three year resettlement programme provides for resettlement from some regions only where the Refugees have a family links in New Zealand. This applies to both the Middle East and Africa.

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