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Ukraine: Availability of fraudulent or illegally obtained identity documents; ease of obtaining and proliferation of fraudulent documents (August 2001 - January 2005)
Research Directorate, Immigration and Refugee Board, Ottawa

Information on the availability of fraudulent or illegally obtained identity documents in Ukraine could not be found among the sources consulted by the Research Directorate within the time constraints of this Response.

This Response was prepared after researching publicly accessible information currently available to the Research Directorate within time constraints. This Response is not, and does not purport to be, conclusive as to the merit of any particular claim for refugee protection. Please find below the list of sources consulted in researching this Information Request.

Sources Consulted

Oral source: One oral source consulted did not provide information within the time constraints of this Response (Ukrainian Committee Helsinki-90). An attempt to contact the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine was unsuccessful.

Internet sources, including: *Country Reports on Human Rights Practices* (2002 and 2003), Dialog, International Helsinki Federation for Human Rights, International Organization for Migration, Kharkiv Group for Human Rights Protection, Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine, OSCE, Prima News, *The Ukraine Weekly*, World News Connection.

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